

THE COVENANT VISION

May/June
1990

Contents

ISSUE No. **30**

Editorial.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.
Strange Salvation.	...	...	...	...	...	...	2.
Truth.	...	...	...	...	...	...	13.
COVENANT WATCH!	...	...	...	...	...	...	18.
The Parables of Balaam.	...	Part 7	...	...	...	...	26.
The Emperor's New Clothes.	...	...	...	...	...	...	36.
Theological Timebomb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	42.
Study in Revelation.	...	Part 11	...	...	...	...	49.

**“Heaven and earth shall pass away:
but My words shall not pass away.”**

THE COVENANT VISION.

Editor: Frank W. Dowsett.

In presenting this magazine, it is not our intention to start up another organisation. Our only purpose is to present the Word of God in its fullness as we feel God has revealed it to us, in order that the God of our Fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob may be glorified.

It is our firm conviction that we are living in the very last days prior to the return and appearing of our Great God and Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are also convinced that never before in the history of our nation and people has there been such a need for the "Watchmen in Israel" to 'sound the alarm' in order to awaken God's People to the urgent need to repent, and to return to God with all their hearts, and with all their minds, and with all their strength.

Denominational doctrines and differences are not our concern, and it is not our intention to enter into such arguments. There is not enough time left that we can afford to waste it on such unproductive, and indeed destructive exercises. We are concerned ONLY with what the Word of God says and teaches.

We proclaim the absolute necessity for all people to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour as the only means to Eternal Life.

We proclaim the absolute necessity for the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic people to recognise their identity, their inheritance, and their responsibility, as the literal descendants of God's people Israel.

We proclaim the absolute necessity for all who would faithfully serve God to 'receive the Power from on high'

(continued on inside back cover.)

Editorial

I was watching an interview on television this morning, and was quite shocked to hear from a very well-known lady who works among children that throughout Australia there is an average of one child suicide every day! She offered the opinion that one of the greatest contributing factors in the rapidly growing problem among our young people is the breakdown of family life. Now I don't know what this lady's religious beliefs or convictions are, but there is no doubt but that she is absolutely correct. One doesn't have to be 'religious' to see that we are in very deep trouble as a society. As a matter of fact, those who are not religious often seem to have a better realisation of what is really going on here on earth. Perhaps they are not so starry eyed about the 'heaven' which so many of the religious people seem to be dreaming about. But be that as it may, those who have any insight into the Word of God cannot get away from the fact that the "Family unit" has become, over many years, the target of deliberate attack. Nor can it be denied that the main adversaries of the Family Unit are those who are the most antagonistic to the Word of God and the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. But let us never delude ourselves into thinking that 'religious antagonism' is all we have to worry about. The problem goes far deeper than this. It actually goes right back to the root of all evil, MONEY! I'm afraid that all the preaching in the world, and all the pleading for a 'right relationship with God' is going to achieve nothing unless we tackle the root of the problem and get away from the mere emotionalism of the situation. I never cease to be amazed at what appears to me to be the hypocrisy of pleading with people to return to Christian values whilst at the same time totally rejecting the necessity of reintroducing the righteous Law of God which is the very foundation of Christian values. How can we solve the problems which

(continued on page 12).

STRANGE SALVATION

By Howard B. Rand

(courtesy Destiny Publishers. U.S.A.)

One question is often asked by those who are concerned about whether they will recognise loved ones who have passed through the portals of death. Shall we know each other in the day of resurrection? It is a natural concern, for after all, we value highly the companionship of this present life and at times the enforced separations in death are very difficult to bear.

WE KNOW IN PART.

God is ever merciful in His dealings with His people, for while He has purposely drawn a veil over much that we would like to know concerning the future, He has not left us in total ignorance in regard to things to come. Through His prophets He has given us a preview of events that lie before us, and in the unfolding fulfillment of these predictions, He has established the truth and the reliabilities of all the Scriptures. Through His Word, God has revealed sufficient information to set at rest any concern one might otherwise entertain concerning the knowledge of the past that we will retain in the future state in which we will dwell following the day of resurrection.

RESURRECTION A CERTAINTY.

An actual demonstration of the resurrection was given following the death and burial of Lazarus, (John 11). After their brother's death, Jesus came to the home of Mary and Martha and upon His arrival, the latter said to Him that if He had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Thereupon, Jesus assured her that her brother would rise again. Martha replied that she knew he would come forth from his grave "in the resurrection at the last day", (John 11:24). Then Jesus said to her;

"I am the resurrection, and the life. He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."

(John 11:25-26).

Here Jesus is discussing the resurrection in "the day" that Martha had affirmed she believed it would take place. Those who had died, and were then in their graves, would hear His voice, and in their order, they would come forth in that resurrection. Martha's belief was confirmed, but Jesus went further and stated that those among the generation that would be living in the last days, who demonstrated their believing faith in Jesus at that time, would never die. Jesus asked Martha if she believed this, and Martha replied;

"Yea, Lord. I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which would come into the world."

(John 11:27).

LAZARUS AROSE.

Following this conversation and the confirmation of Martha's faith in Jesus as the Resurrection and the Life, Jesus, with Mary and Martha and a great company of those who mourned for Lazarus, went to the place where he was buried. When the stone concealing the place of burial had been taken away, and after a short prayer of thanksgiving to His Father, Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, Come forth!"

He who had been dead arose and came out of the tomb, with the result that many who witnessed it believed on Jesus. In fact, the impact of this demonstration was so great upon the people who were there and who knew about it that when the Pharisees were told what had happened, their determination to do away with Jesus became more fixed than ever. Consequently, "Jesus walked no more openly among the Jews." (John 11:54).

THOSE SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED.

In Bethany, Jesus specifically addressed Lazarus in calling for his resurrection from among the dead. The hour is coming, however, when the call will go forth, addressed to a specific group among the dead who have died in the Lord, who will be invited to enter with the Lord into the Marriage Supper. They, and they alone, will hear His voice in that hour and will come forth from the grave in that first resurrection. Speaking of this initial phase of the coming day of resurrection, Jesus had said;

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live." (John 5:25).

Jesus said, "And now is"; that is "now is possible", because, as He had told Martha, He is the Resurrection and the Life, and by the power inherent in Himself, He did call Lazarus forth from the grave.

THOSE GENERALLY ADDRESSED.

Then Jesus went on to state further;

"Marvel not at this: For the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, (the voice of the Son of man), and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation (or condemnation)." (John 5:28-29).

Later on, others will be called, coming forth in the order in which they are to be raised from the dead. Paul put it this way: "Every man in his own order." (I Cor. 15:23). Thus, the day of resurrection will institute an orderly process as each one is raised in his own "series" or "succession" according to the meaning of the Greek word translated "order". He briefly enumerated

three steps: 1) "Christ the firstfruits"; 2) "Afterwards they that are Christ's at His coming; 3) "Then cometh the end". (I Cor. 15:23-24).

In the Book of Daniel we have another reference to the entire scope of resurrection, beginning with those who will awaken to everlasting life and immortality and closing with those who are awakened to shame and everlasting contempt. There also, the timing of the day of resurrection is indicated;

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people; and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time. And at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

(Dan. 12:1-2).

Daniel desired to know the meaning of many things the Angel had revealed to him, but he was informed by his heavenly visitor;

"Go, and wait for the end. You will rest in the grave and then rise to enjoy your share at the end of the days."

(Dan.12:13, Moffatt Translation).

THE COMING REUNION.

Just as Lazarus came forth from the tomb to be recognised by his family and friends and to be reunited with them again, so too, in the day of resurrection, the very same individuals, the identical personalities who at the moment are resting in their graves in the sleep of death, will come forth. Paul counsels believers who mourn for departed loved ones that they are not to sorrow as others do who have no hope of a coming reunion

with those who have passed into the valley of the shadow of death. He then enlarges upon the statement made by Jesus when, in His conversation with Martha, He referred to the last days when the process of resurrection will be instituted and those living and believing in Him will not die. In his words of comfort, Paul said those who believed Jesus died and rose again may look forward to a marvelous happening;

"Even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." (I Thess. 4:14).

Smith and Goodspeed translates this;

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, then, by means of Jesus, God will bring back with Him those who have fallen asleep."

The apostle sets forth in detail what is involved in the resurrection of the believing dead and the translation of the believing living who, being alive at that time, will not taste of death;

"For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent (that is, hinder or precede) them which are asleep. For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, (the resounding voice summoning the dead to rise), with the voice of the Archangel, (gathering the elect, to which reference is made in Matt.24:31), and with the trump of God. And the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord." (I Thess. 4:15-17).

THE PRIVILEGED FEW.

Let it be carefully noted here that only one group is involved in this first and glorious resurrection and

translation. These are the overcomers, for both our Lord and Paul refer to the blowing of just ONE trumpet. Numbers 10:2 clearly tells us that when only ONE trumpet was blown, it summoned the RULERS in Israel to gather at the Tabernacle to meet there with Moses before the Lord. When TWO trumpets were blown, the people of the entire congregation of Israel were to present themselves before the Tabernacle in the presence of Moses and the Lord. There is no ambiguity in the Scriptures. Thus the fact that both Jesus and Paul - our Lord in His Olivet discourse, and Paul in his instructions in I Thessalonians - refer to the blowing of only ONE trumpet indicates beyond question that those who are thus summoned from among the dead and from among the living are none other than the ones who are selected to become rulers with the Lord in His Kingdom. They are the chosen ones who are privileged to enter with Him into the Marriage Supper. Of these, the Angel informed John;

"Blessed are they which are called unto the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. And He said unto me, These are the true sayings of God."
(Rev. 19:9).

In His Olivet discourse our Lord declared that following the appearing of the Sign of the Son of man in heaven;

"He shall send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

(Matt. 24:31).

Again, those who are selected in this manner are the overcomers who are to be in attendance at the Marriage Supper. Because they could look forward to the coming reunion between the dead and the living through the resurrection, Paul instructed them all "to comfort one another with these words."

WE SHALL KNOW.

We are thus given complete Scriptural assurance that the living and the dead will recognise one another in the day of resurrection. The entire teaching of the Word of God pertaining to the coming day when the Kingdom will be restored in all its perfection is predicated upon the fact that men and women in that day will possess understanding of the past as well as knowledge of the present as they contemplate the glories which lie before them. They will comprehend the meaning of the great changes that will have transpired and will possess full recognition of individuals and personalities involved.

Natural aptitudes will be enhanced, not diminished in the changes that will occur in the transition from this age into the coming New Order of the Ages. There will be no sickness there, and certainly no impairment of mental or physical faculties, for the prophet Isaiah declares;

"And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick.
The people that dwell therein shall be forgiven
their iniquity." (Isa. 33:24).

In dealing with the wicked, the Scriptures are quite clear that in the day of judgment evil men will face the crimes they committed, and will be judged accordingly. This in itself is conclusive evidence that there will be knowledge and understanding, not only in regard to the rewards the righteous will receive and the reasons why they are given, but also where the wicked are concerned, who will then comprehend the significance of the full fruitage of their evil doings.

DAY OF JUDGMENT.

It is well to consider too that those who have despised the righteous ones in this present order will become fully aware in the day of judgment of the consequences of their unrighteous attitude. In the book of the Wisdom of

Solomon in the Apocrypha, we find some very interesting observations on this subject. Solomon states that when the unrighteous see how the wise, or righteous ones, fare in the new order, they will be surprised to observe what God, by His predetermination, has decreed for those who serve Him. Solomon states further that, although the unrighteous despise the righteous in this life, thinking themselves vastly superior, God will ultimately laugh the unrighteous to scorn. Then looking forward to the day of the Great Assize, when the wicked will be faced with the requirement to give a full accounting of their sins, (for there will be no hiding in that day behind a Fifth Amendment), Solomon states;

"They shall come with fear. And their own iniquities shall convince them to their face."
(Wisdom of Solomon 4:20).

Speaking of the position that the righteous will attain, the wisest of all men declared;

"Then shall the righteous stand in great boldness before the face of such as have afflicted him, and made no account of his labours."
(Wisdom of Solomon 5:1).

Thus, the wicked are to come face to face with those whom, in this life, they ill-treated or despised and whose works of righteousness they belittled and ridiculed. Solomon explains why there shall be consternation among them;

"When they see it, they shall be troubled with terrible fear, and shall be amazed at the strangeness of his salvation, (i.e. the salvation of the righteous), so far beyond all that they looked for."
(Wisdom of Solomon 5:2).

The reaction upon the wicked, as they witness the elevation of the righteous, clearly demonstrates that, in the coming day of judgment, there will be full knowledge of the past, very likely with far more accurate

perception than that which is possible now. Based upon their previous opinion of the value of the activities of the righteous in this order, it will seem so strange to them to see the righteous in positions of prestige, power and authority in the New Order of the Ages far beyond anything they could have imagined. But in that day their own repentance will come too late;

"And they, repenting and groaning for anguish of spirit shall say within themselves, This was he, who we had sometimes in derision, and a proverb of reproach. We fools accounted his life madness, and his end to be without honour."

(Wisdom of Solomon 5:3-4).

This is followed by their astonished exclamation;

"How is he numbered among the children of God, and his lot is among the saints!"

(Wisdom of Solomon 5:5).

THE WICKED WILL KNOW.

Then, in a flash of true understanding, even though it is too late, full realisation dawns upon them as they face judgment for their own evil doings;

"Therefore have we erred from the way of truth, and the light of righteousness hath not shined upon us, and the sun of righteousness rose not upon us. We wearied ourselves in the way of wickedness and destruction. Yea, we have gone through deserts, where there lay no way. But as for the way of the Lord, we have not known it."

(Wisdom of Solomon 5:6-7).

When actual recognition comes to the wicked concerning the reason for their plight as they review in retrospect the profitlessness of their whole earthly existence, they will cry out in anguish of spirit;

"What hath pride profited us? Or what good hath riches with our vaunting brought us? All those things are passed away like a shadow, and as a messenger that hasteth by."

(Wisdom of Solomon 5:8-9).

THE GLORIOUS KINGDOM.

Summing it all up, Solomon contrasts the position of the wicked in the coming day of judgment with that of the righteous;

"The hope of the ungodly is like dust that is blown away with the wind; like a thin frost that is driven away with the storm; like as the smoke which is dispersed here and there with a tempest, and passeth away as the remembrance of a guest that tarried but a day. But the righteous live for evermore; their reward is also with the Lord, and the care of them is with the Most High. Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from the Lord's hand. For with His right hand shall He cover them, and with His arm shall He protect them."

(Wisdom of Solomon 5:14-16).

Daniel the Prophet corroborates all that is stated here in regard to the reward of the righteous when the Kingdom, in all its greatness, is given to the people of the saints of the Most High. (Dan. 7:27).

That there will be true understanding, complete knowledge, together with the undoubted recognition of those who pass on into the New Order of the Ages through resurrection from the dead or by translation, is made clear through these revelations from God. The wicked will know, the righteous shall understand, for there will be discernment in that day between the righteous and the wicked, between those who serve God and those who served Him not, (Mal. 3:18). Let all those whose loved ones have died in Christ and who serve the

Lord in righteousness be comforted in the knowledge of a coming great reunion when the Kingdom of God is restored and functioning in its glorious perfection. In the contemplation of all this, each one of us can say with Paul, (I Cor. 13:10-12);

"When that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away . . . For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then shall I know, even as also I am known."



Continued from page 1).

divide the family unit without removing the necessity for the unit to be divided? The greatest cause for the division of the family is the necessity for the mother to go to work in order to supplement the family income to the point where they can enjoy a reasonable standard of living and a home of their own. Thus, parental training and supervision of the children has been taken away from the parents and given to others, many of whom are government sponsored and totally devoted to the socialist programme. It's great to see that people in influential positions are publically highlighting the situation. But for goodness sake, don't let us try to overcome the problem by the use of 'bandaids'. And this is all it is if we simply direct our efforts against the alcohol and drug problem, as commendable as this might be, because those who run these businesses have no intention of listening to anything that will impair their precious profits. What we desparately need is a national return to obedience to the Law of God, wherein all charges of interest are banned, and all debt is cancelled every seven years, so that both our young and older people can live in the prosperous and debt-free society that the Lord always intended for us. The only way to keep the family together is to remove the causes that keep it apart.

TRUTH!

By F. W. DOWSETT.

Probably one of the most difficult subjects to rationalise in our minds these days is that of how far do we go in insisting on TRUTH. In fact, do we ever seriously ask ourselves, "What IS Truth?" It must be quite obvious to the most uneducated person that if you get two opposite opinions to the meaning of one simple phrase, then at least one of those opinions must be wrong, and therefore not the truth. But I feel that in our search for truth, we must recognise the fact that the most dangerous situation is not that which is obviously untruth, but rather that which is "part truth".

In our study of God's Word, every honest student wants the truth. But there are so many voices clamoring to be heard that it becomes almost impossible to decide on which voice to follow. With this in mind, I would suggest that we should adopt some very firm and steadfast rules.

1. There is no substitute for Truth. Nothing, and nobody is more important than Truth. The non-observance of this fundamental rule has led to untold damage and misunderstanding to the Truth of God's Word. People are NOT more important than Truth. Doctrines are NOT more important than Truth. Churches and organisations are NOT more important than Truth. Think of this for a moment. If you had a very close and dear friend who was virtually paranoid about some belief that you were totally convinced was not the truth according to God's Word, would you let him keep on believing error just so as not to offend him, or would you consider the risk worthwhile in an effort to lead him away from his error and into truth? Or would you make some excuses and compromise both his and your belief so as to retain his friendship and possible support? You may think

this to be an odd question to raise, but believe me, I know a lot of Christians who do exactly that. They will put their friendship first. They will 'tailor' their preaching or teaching so as not to lose the other person's support. They will 'sit on the fence', or do any other thing necessary so as 'not to rock the boat'. No wonder our Lord said that "Truth is fallen in the street".

2. Secondly, the fact that a particular statement is "true" doesn't necessarily mean that it is "TRUTH!" Have you ever thought about that? Let me illustrate the point. We are all aware that in court, the witness is required to take an oath, or in these days of 'enlightenment' to make an affirmation to tell the truth. But it doesn't stop there. If it did, the oath would be useless. The full oath is to tell "The truth, the WHOLE truth, and NOTHING BUT the truth." I'm sure that many people would never realise the fact that there can be a great difference between saying a statement is 'true' and 'telling the WHOLE truth.' Many years ago I had an experience of this that has never left me. I had been listening to a minister preaching in an open-air meeting, and he said something which to me was quite contrary to what God's Word said. So after the meeting I approached him and questioned him about what he had said. In reply to my question he asked me, rather sneeringly I must admit, if I believed everything the Bible said. I replied that I did. So he immediately told me that in that case I must believe that there was no God, on the basis, according to him, that this statement was actually in the Bible. When I rejected his statement and the line of his argument he promptly advised me that he wouldn't even have communion with me. Lucky me. But let us look for a moment at what he said. Was his claim TRUE, that the Bible said that 'there is no God'? Yes! It is true. There is an actual statement in the Bible that says 'There is no God'. But whilst this statement in itself is TRUE, it is not the TRUTH! The statement itself is true, but because it is not the WHOLE truth, it becomes a lie. The full statement is, "The fool has said in his heart, there is no God!" I am still amazed after 40 odd years at the affrontery of this minister. Now with this

principle in mind, how should we study the Word of God? It is clear that if we are to arrive at TRUTH, as opposed to what may be TRUE, then we have to study all aspects of any given subject within the entire context of the subject throughout the entire Bible.

3. We must have the WHOLE truth. How many preachers and teachers of the Bible do you know who 'specialise' in portions of the Scriptures to the exclusion of much of the rest of the Scriptures? I'm not criticising teachers for specialising in certain areas, but I certainly do object to those who pick out their favourite bits of the Bible and then throw the rest away as being of no value or importance. How will we ever understand the plans and purposes of God if we don't have the entire picture. And I'm not for an instant even suggesting that we have to know all the details of every aspect of the Bible. What I AM saying is that we have to take every aspect of God's Word into consideration if we would gain a proper, even if incomplete, understanding of it. We must have the WHOLE truth.

4. And finally, we must have NOTHING BUT the truth. As far as I'm concerned, the present habit of teaching the Bible in such a manner as to give our own opinion of what God means is just not on. One is staggered at the sheer presumption of such methods. Believe me, God doesn't need our paltry opinions to 'correct' or 'excuse' what He has said. The proper understanding of God's Word has today been virtually destroyed because of the 'additions' that men have placed on the clear and concise statements of God Almighty. No wonder God promised that in the last days there would be a famine of the Word of God.

God's Word is wonderfully complete. In its totality it is TRUTH. And why shouldn't it be. God Himself is TRUTH. Our Lord Jesus Christ has assured us that "He is the TRUTH." And we will be blessed only as we accept His Word as

"The Truth, the Whole Truth,
and Nothing But the Truth."

BOOKS by F. W. DOWSETT.

CAMEO STUDIES.

A collection of short studies of twelve sometimes controversial topics of the Bible, such as "The Gentiles," "The Bride," "The Church," "The Kingdom," "The Law," "The Jews," "Israel," "Israel's Feasts," "Tithing," "Christmas," "Easter," "The Resurrection." 74 pages \$3.50.

THROUGH JUDGMENT TO RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Discusses the root causes of our present individual and national position in the light of God's judgments as a result of our national disobedience to His Laws, together with an outline of the sure mercies and salvation of God for the ages to come. 55 pages \$3.50.

THE PROPHETIC MINISTRY OF ELIJAH.

A detailed study of the life and ministry of this great prophet, showing how every major incident in his life was a prophetic preview of the future experience of God's people Israel as found in the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic people. 132 pages \$5.50

THE RETURN OF ELIJAH.

A new edition of one of the few books available today on this subject. It deals with Israel's great prophet both in the Old and the New Testaments, the ministry of John the Baptist, and whether we can expect only an 'Elijah-type' ministry or the actual return of the literal prophet himself. 52 pages \$3.50.

STUDY IN HEBREWS.

The authorship and purpose of the Epistle; . . The Titles and Ministries of our Lord Jesus Christ; . . Foundation Doctrines; The High Priesthood of Christ, "Melchisedec", The New Covenant; . . . Faith; . . . Looking Unto Jesus. 60 pages \$3.50.

THE TWO WITNESSES.

A study of the identity and prophetic fulfillment of the Two Witnesses of Revelation chapter 11. 48 pages \$3.50.

THE ENEMY WITHIN.

A new and revealing approach to the Scriptures relating to 'The Man of Sin', 'Anti-Christ', and 'The Synagogue of Satan'. 88 pages. \$4.50.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

An in-depth study of the formation and history of God's Kingdom here on earth, from its formation as the nation of Israel at Mount Sinai to the return of its King, our Lord Jesus Christ, and beyond. 124 Pages. \$5.50.

THE 8 MIRACLES OF JESUS.

A study of the 8 miracles of our Lord as recorded in John's Gospel with their specific emphasis and relationship to prophecy and present day events.

100 Pages. \$5.50.

PROPHECY.

A short treatise on the basic principles of prophecy.
24 pages. \$1.50.

GOD'S PLAN OF THE AGES.

Colour Chart Only. 80c. each.

COVENANT TRACTS NOW AVAILABLE.

Tract No.1. "The First Resurrection".

Tract No.2. "Jesus is Coming! SOON!".

Tract No.3. "Tithes and Offerings".

80c. each, or 4 for \$2 posted.

20 for \$7.50 posted, 40 for \$12 posted.

Prices include postage within Australia only.

For overseas seamail please add 20% to payment
with order.

25% discount applicable on quantities of 6 or more.

Postage & Packaging extra at cost for overseas orders.

Write for a free copy of our Tape Catalogue covering
nearly 300 titles of Bible study.

COVENANT WATCH!

The Federal Election on 24th March, 1990, will surely go down in history as our saddest day of lost opportunities when Australia's sovereignty was finally surrendered. Mr Hawke's return to office means that allegiance has been transferred from the Crown to the United Nations and the Socialist International, bringing us into line with other Socialist Republics. Treaties with foreign nations decide our policies and the use of our resources. Our Constitution is bent, or ignored. (Wake Up Australia, March, 1990).

This election could have seen the demise of the proposed "Multifunction Polis". When Mr. Andrew Peacock, then leader of the Opposition, pledged that the Coalition government would abandon the proposal, Mr. Hawke's wrath was violent because this scheme could be in jeopardy, accusing Mr. Peacock of opening the issue of Asian immigration and of being 'racist' against the Japanese. Adding that a 'massive, full-on insult had been delivered to our most important trading partner, Japan, (The Australian 22/3/90), Mr. Hawke pledged to go ahead with the Multifunction Polis. Surely, this one issue alone should have stirred all Australians, and one may well ask, did Labour's rich and powerful friends somehow influence the outcome?

* * * *

The Multifunction Polis - Japanese Trojan Horse, says David Thompson. Thousands of young Australian servicemen sacrificed years of their lives to defend their country from Japanese military invasion. Many died, or were treated as slaves under the most appalling conditions. Yet the survivors of that war are living to see our politicians and the captains of Australian industry begging a new Japanese Imperialism to become our economic saviour. Japan is now Australia's largest for-

eign investor with many of our industries, and a dozen huge projects, dominated by Japanese capital. (Intelligence Survey, League of Rights, March 1990).

Why has this 'Trojan Horse' deliberately been kept secret from the Australian public for 2-3 years? Is 'control of the public consciousness' and a denial of any worthwhile public debate essential for its success? It is totally unreasonable for Australians to expect a population of about 150,000 Japanese to come to live permanently in this country, leaving their culture behind. Professor Yoshio Sugimoto of La Trobe University, Melbourne, is suspicious of their motives. The Japanese fear that the developing trading bloc in North America, and the formalisation of the European Community in 1992 could deny Japan access to "markets". Without "markets", the Japanese economic miracle begins to crack. A Pacific Basin (Economic) Community is the Japanese answer to capture future "markets". (Wake Up Australia, March, 1990).

And what of the fears that with an 80% Japanese involvement will come Japanese underworld crime? There are allegations that Japanese funding of a feasibility study of the project was raised through a group called the 'Bicycle Culture Society' linked to the underworld, gambling, and far-right groups. (Staff Reporters, The Sunday Herald, 25/3/90).

'Asian crime reaches out to Australia'. 'Asian organised crime - the secret societies of the Chinese Triads and their Japanese counterparts, the Yakuza - have targeted Australia, and in particular, Queensland. The National Crime Authority has warned that Triads already have a stranglehold on Australia's multi-billion dollar heroin trade. . . The highly respected Dean of Jesus College at Cambridge, Barry Rider, has made a study of Triads and Yakuza, and agrees that Australia is the ideal location for Asian organised crime wanting to break new ground.' (Wake Up Australia, March, 1990).

*

*

*

*

'Australia is again teetering on the edge of a recession, one which could leave the employment market in tatters.' (Deborah Knuckey, Australian 31/3 - 1/4, 1990). Senator Walsh says that 'Time is running out for Australia. We have only a few years to address the fundamental economic problems or they will become irredeemable for the best part of a generation.' Unfortunately, Senator Walsh was silenced during the election campaign, while Mr. Hawke promised huge hand-outs to 'Greenies', Unions, Aborigines, etc., during the election, to buy their votes!

How do you ring an alarm bell without making it too loud? Australia's economy and its standard of living are approaching a danger zone. (Australian 2/3/90). At the present moment Australian governments, semi-government instrumentalities, banks, and business corporations owe a net debt of some \$120 billion abroad. That sum is growing by \$20 billion a year. . . It would not surprise if another election becomes inevitable within the next 12 to 18 months. . . What we were treated to over the the past two months was a 'contest' between two completely programmed individuals whose utterances were determined not by the needs of the hour, but by the necessities of PR which Malcolm Muggeridge long ago defined as "organised lying". (B.A.Santamaria, Australian, 31/3 - 1/4, 1990).

* * *

Australian personal income tax rates rank among the highest in the world. A comparison of tax liabilities in 10 countries shows that Australians pay the highest effective level of personal tax. On a total income of US\$50,000, Australians pay a 36% effective tax rate, as against 24% in Britain, and 12% in the U.S.A.

Due to this excessive high rate of taxation and high interest rates, a survey shows a high level of rural poverty. A new 'peasant class' has emerged in Australia, with one in four children in country Victoria living below the poverty line. Mr. Bruce McKenzie of Warrnam-

bool Institute of Advanced Education, said this in his research of 78 Victorian rural communities. . . The fastest growing pool of unemployed people in country Victoria were those who had been self-employed, such as farmers, and employees such as farm labourers and workers employed in firms servicing the rural sector. (The Age, 5/3/90).

* * * *

Lax docks are rife with crime. Security at Australian ports is so lax that large amounts of heroin are "walking off" ships, and illegal immigrants and convicted criminals are being helped to enter the country, says a confidential National Crime Authority (NCA) report. (Jeni Cooper, Australian, 7/3/90).

* * * *

It is sad indeed that 'the Queen has asked the Governor-General, Mr. Hayden, and all Premiers, to end the Imperial Honours system in Australia'. . . The Queen has indicated that 'she thought it was "unseemly to have a lottery" depending on which party was in power,' said the NSW Premier, Mr. Griener. (Australian 15/2/90). The Labour Party does not award Imperial Honours, but some Conservative parties do. Thus ends another link with our Queen and Britain.

* * * *

With the mounting gloom, there is a desperate need in Australia and the Christian West for a realisation that man alone cannot solve the mountain of problems which beset us today. But with God's help, we can begin to set our house in order. I pray that this nation will soon turn back to God and seek His help.

* * * *

The above items contributed by Cynthia Murray.

DID YOU KNOW?

- * That Israeli military officers are training the drug lords in Columbia to assist them in their drug trafficking?
- * That we are no doubt entering an era where international economic competition rather than military considerations govern the actions of nations. But did you stop to realise what that means for the Israeli's traditional role as a counterbalance to Soviet military expansionism in the Middle East?
- * That efforts by patriotic American organisations to have agents and agencies of foreign governments registered with the U.S. Justice Department are being circumvented or just plain ignored. The documentation of two investigations allegedly conducted on this matter has mysteriously disappeared. Were these investigations just whitewash jobs? Or is it possible that they never took place at all.
- * Whilst humanitarian efforts to assist Soviet Jews desiring to leave the USSR are to be praised, where else would you read that the powers that be intend for the American taxpayer to finance the resettlement of up to 1 million of these people to the tune of \$8-\$10 billion? Did you realise that most of these people cannot meet the criteria defining them as "political refugees"!
- * The full ramifications of the fact that the Israeli's already possess nuclear weapons.

(Courtesy "New American View". 132 Third St., SE. Washington, D.C. 20003, U.S.A.).

* * * *

This week, (written April 27), we have the declaration by the Jews that now the city of Jerusalem is the official capitol of "Israel". The Jews cornered Senator Bob Dole in Jerusalem and exacted from him the promise

that the U.S.A. would back them up in such a declaration. We cannot ignore the timing of such a declaration. One thing is certain. This declaration will arouse the ire of every Arab, whether he lives in Palestine or not. This declaration means that their shrine, "The Dome of the Rock", now stands in the possession of the Jews. Which means, that if the Jews decide to tear it down and build their own temple on the spot, they can legally do so. A new tension is now created between the Jews and the whole Arab world. The Jews have been planning this for several years, so we can now see that they are getting ready to force the issue. The fracas could begin with the Jews knocking down the Dome of the Rock. They have conditioned a large bloc of the Christian world for this event, so that when it begins, they will have the consent of the millions of Christians whom they have deceived. Events are now moving fast. We know that Iraq is now building an "H" bomb that will reach Jerusalem. When this is complete, we will have all the ingredients for starting World War III.

(From Rev. James Haggart. U.S.A.).

*

*

*

*

There is growing concern among Nato's military top brass that Western governments have been completely taken in by Gorbachev and that, as a result, the West is reducing its defence capability quite unjustifiably. It's now known that the Soviet Union's most modern tanks are so well armoured that they're virtually indestructable. Nato's tanks lack the fire-power to penetrate them. Clearly, Gorbachev can now afford to make massive cuts in the number of obsolete tanks and still be left with a modern tank force which is far superior to Nato's. Yet in the light of this knowledge, the British treasury has just decided to block Ministry of Defence spending on an anti-tank weapon that would be capable of piercing the armour of the latest Russian tanks. The reason by Treasury is that Russia no longer poses a threat to the West. (Treason?).

*

*

*

*

At the moment, Russia and her satellites are in a state of engineered; syncopated revolution, her ethnic groups striving to disentangle themselves from the central control of Moscow. But Esau, still in control of the Kremlin and the State Department of the U.S.A., dominating world finance and exchange, is making its planned final bid for world dominion; to reclaim the birthright he sold to his brother Jacob, but which in truth, God had already ordained was Jacob's while yet the twins wrestled in Rebekah's womb.

Make no mistake. These upheavals are not spontaneous. They are the outworkings of strategic manouevring in their illusory drive for democracy. Russia's supremely magical weapon is to deceive the West with their proffered gestures of peace, peace. Democracy - mob control - with Esau unerringly in control of the mob, is no less dictatorship by and through monetary control of all parties. The play on every front, particularly designed for haste, for time is short, is convincingly presented. Gorbachev, a superb actor, serves his masters well. His directors have a wealth of experience, they have done it so many times before. It was Lord Hailsham, in July 1970, who declared, "It is the Parliamentary majority that has the potential for tyranny. The thing that courts cannot protect you against is Parliament, the traditional protector of our liberties. But Parliament is constantly making mistakes and could in theory become the most oppressive instrument in the world.

* * *

In the meantime, watch the Middle East. If the Israeli's launched a pre-emptive strike against Iraq's nuclear facilities, or if the Lebanon draws Syria and the Israelis into conflict again, then Russia could be forced to move in the Middle East. There's no question but that the ultimate Middle Eastern goal for Islam is the elimination of the Israelis. For the time being, the plan is to achieve this through the creation of a hostile Palestinian State on the West Bank, with borders only 5 miles from Jerusalem, and 15 miles from Tel Aviv. The great showdown would then come at a carefully pre-planned time. (courtesy Newsmagazine, B.I.W.F., Auckland, New Zealand.)

Federal Opposition Supports Taxation Robbery. William Pitt, the famous British Prime Minister, is credited with the statement that there was a type of taxation which made it possible to tax the last bite from the mouth, and the shirt from the back without the individual fully grasping what was happening and protesting too loudly. That was a consumption tax! The modern taxation system has become little more than a form of legalised theft, an instrument for controlling people. The completely false idea has been sedulously fostered that taxation is essential as the only means governments have of raising revenue and financing government activities. It is only necessary to consider the big percentage of taxation used to service debt, to see how fallacious this view is. And of course, an enormous amount of government activities are financed by further borrowing from the banking system, thus adding further to the debt burden. High interest rates help to compound the problem. Because of a defective education system, people grow up with no understanding of how the modern money system operates, and how it could be used differently. . . .

As the well-known political commentator Mr. B. A. Santamaria correctly observes, "The problems created by the external debt . . . are immediate, urgent, and inescapable. The excruciating symptom is a level of domestic interest rates ranging from 17% to 23%, accompanied not so much by a credit squeeze as an almost total credit stoppage. Hundreds of companies have been put out of business. Thousands of bankruptcies are in the offing". (On Target, April 27.).

*

*

*

*

*The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off . . . saying,
'Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls.*

For in one hour so great riches is come to nought.' "
(Rev. 18:15-17).

THE PARABLES OF BALAAM.

by F. W. DOWSETT.

PART SEVEN.

THE DOCTRINE OF BALAAM.

We have now completed our study of the four parables of Balaam, but as we previously stated, if we think that this was the end of Balaam, we are sadly mistaken. Subsequent to the account given in Numbers chapters 22 to 24, Balaam is mentioned another twelve times in the Scriptures. Two of these references, Numbers 31:8 and Joshua 13:22 refer to his death at the hands of the Israelites. Two of them, Deut. 23:4, Josh. 24:9, with part of Neh. 13:2, are simply historical records of the fact that Balak hired Balaam to curse Israel. Three of them, Deut. 23:5, Josh. 24:10, and Neh. 13:2 record that the Lord did not hearken unto Balaam, but turned his curse into a blessing. One of them, Micah 6:5 instructs us to remember what Balaam advised king Balak. The remaining four refer respectively to "The COUNSEL of Balaam", (Num. 31:16), "The WAY of Balaam", (II Peter 2:15), "The ERROR of Balaam", (Jude, verse 11), and "The DOCTRINE of Balaam", (Rev. 2:14). We should ask ourselves, 'Why this continued reference by God to what Balaam said?' Furthermore, since the parables record that Balaam was unable to curse Israel, but rather prophesied a blessing over them on each occasion, why is it three times stated that God did not hearken to Balaam, *but turned his curse into a blessing?* What curse did God turn into a blessing? That is, from what curse did God protect Israel? It must be obvious to any student that Balaam must have given king Balak some further advice other than what is recorded in the Bible record. This is fully born out by the statement of Numbers 31:13:17. God had told Moses to avenge Israel against the Midianites by going to war against them and

slaying them all. So they slew all the males, including Balaam, and came back home with the spoils of war, including the women and children. The account then reads from verse 13;

"And Moses and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.

And Moses said unto them, 'Have ye saved all the women alive?' (or as the Septuagint renders it, 'Why have ye saved every female alive?')

Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through THE COUNSEL OF BALAAM to commit trespass against the Lord in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the Lord.

Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying with him."

The obvious question is surely, 'What was this COUNSEL OF BALAAM to which the Lord referred?' What had Balaam advised king Balak which had brought the wrath of God upon them? For the answer, we must go to secular history. And we find the answer in that book which every Christian student should have, "The Antiquities of the Jews" by the historian Josephus. He writes, in Book 4, chapter 6;

"But Balak being very angry that the Israelites were not cursed, sent away Balaam without thinking him worthy of any honour. Whereupon, when he was just upon his journey, in order to pass the Euphrates, he sent for Balak, and for the princes of the Midianites, and spake thus to them:- 'O Balak, and you Midianites that are here present, (for I am obliged even without the will of God to gratify you), it is true no entire destruction can

sieze upon the nation of the Hebrews, neither by war, nor by plague, nor by scarcity of the fruits of the earth, nor can any other unexpected accident be their entire ruin; for the providence of God is concerned to preserve them from such a misfortune; nor will it permit any such calamity to come upon them whereby they may all perish; but some small misfortunes, and those for a short time, whereby they may appear to be brought low, may still befall them. But after that, they will flourish again, to the terror of those that brought those mischiefs upon them. So that if you have a mind to gain a victory over them for a short space of time, you will obtain it by following my directions:-

Do you therefore set out the handsomest of such of your daughters as are most eminent for beauty, and proper to force and conquer the modesty of those that behold them, and these decked and trimmed to the highest degree you are able. Then do you send them to be near the Israelites' camp, and give them in charge, that when the young men of the Hebrews desire their company, they allow it them. And when they see that they are enamoured of them, let them take their leaves. And if they entreat them to stay, let them not give their consent till they have persuaded them to leave off their obedience to their own laws, and the worship of that God who established them, and to worship the gods of the Midianites and Moabites. For by this means, God will be angry at them.

"Accordingly, when Balaam had suggested this counsel to them, he went his way."

Now let us clearly understand just what Balaam had advised. He reaffirmed to king Balak that the nation of Israel could never be ultimately destroyed by either war, plague, famine, or any other accidental incident. But he assured Balak that there was one way, and one way only, by which Israel could be destroyed. His advice was to encourage the intermarriage of the Israelites with the children of Moab and Ammon. But let us realise that this was not simply a matter of the marriage of

the individual people involved. This was a deliberate marriage of religious beliefs. The intent was to deliberately break down the purity of Israel's religious life. Today we have a word for it. We call it

MULTICULTURALISM!

Truly, as King Soloman said; "There is no new thing under the sun". Thus, the COUNSEL of Balaam was for the king of Moab to offer friendship between his people and the people of Israel, with the deliberate hidden aim of using the cover of this friendship to pervert the religious belief of Israel. If you think that this ploy didn't succeed, then just take a look around you. It destroyed Israel then, just as it is surely destroying Israel today. But let us return to the account of Josephus. What transpired as a result of Balaam's advice? We read;

"So when the Midianites had sent their daughters, as Balaam had exhorted them, the Hebrew young men were allured by their beauty, and came to discourse with them, and besought them not to grudge them the enjoyment of their beauty, nor to deny them their conversation. These daughters of the Midianites received their words gladly, and consented to it and staid with them. But when they had brought them to be enamoured of them, and their inclinations to them were grown to ripeness, they began to think of departing from them. Then it was that these men became greatly disconsolate at the women's departure, and they were urgent with them not to leave them, but begged they would continue there, and become their wives. And they promised them they should be owned as mistresses of all they had. This they said with an oath, and called God for an arbitrator of what they promised; and this with tears in their eyes, and all other such marks of concern, as might show how miserable they thought themselves without them, and so might move their compassion for them. So the women, as soon as they perceived that they had made them their slaves, and had caught them with their conversation, began to speak thus to them:-

" 'O you illustrious young men! We have houses of our own at home, and great plenty of good things there, together with the natural, affectionate love of our parents and friends. Nor is it out of our want of any such things that we came to discourse with you. Nor did we admit of your invitation with design to prostitute the beauty of our bodies for gain, but taking you for brave and worthy men, we agreed to your request, that we might treat you with such honours as hospitality required. And now, seeing you say that you have a great affection for us, and are troubled when you think we are departing, we are not averse to your entreaties; and if we may receive such assurance of your good-will as we think can be alone sufficient, we will be glad to lead our lives with you as your wives. But we are afraid that you will in time be weary of our company, and will then abuse us, and send us back to our parents, after an ignominious manner.' And they desired that they would excuse them in their guarding against this danger. But the young men professed they would give them any assurance they should desire; nor did they at all contradict what they requested, so great was the passion they had for them. 'If then', they said, 'this be your resolution, since you make use of such customs and conduct of life as are entirely different from all other men, insomuch that your kinds of food are peculiar to yourselves, and your kinds of drink not common to others, it will be absolutely necessary, if you would have us for your wives, that you do withal worship our gods. Nor can there be any other demonstration of the kindness which you say you already have, and promise to have hereafter to us, than this, that you worship the same gods as we do. For has anyone reason to complain, that now you are come into this country, you should worship the proper gods of the same country? Especially while our gods are common to all men, and yours such as belong to nobody else but yourselves.' So they said they must either come into such methods of divine worship as all others came into, or else they must look out for another world, wherein they might live by themselves, according to their own laws.

"Now the young men were induced by the fondness they had for these women to think they spake very well. So they gave themselves up to what they persuaded them, and transgressed their own laws, and supposing there were many gods, and resolving they would sacrifice to them according to the laws of that country which ordained them, they both were delighted with their strange food, and went on to do everything that the women would have them do, though in contradiction to their own laws. So far indeed that this transgression was already gone through the whole army of the young men, and they fell into a sedition that was much worse than the former, and into danger of the entire abolition of their own institutions. For when once the youth had tasted of these strange customs, they went with insatiable inclinations into them. And even where some of the principle men were illustrious on account of the virtues of their fathers, they also were corrupted together with the rest." (emphasis added.)

(Antiquities of the Jews. Book 4, chapter 6.)

Today, the subject of racial intermarriage has become a very touchy one. Modern teaching, even within, in fact especially within, the church, has placed a totally new emphasis on this subject which because of its so-called humanitarian basis of equality, has totally destroyed the knowledge and understanding of God's original intent in this matter. Because of this lack of knowledge and understanding, we now live in an age where mixed marriages are liberally accepted. Even within the context of modern Christian theology we are assured that mixed marriages are acceptable to God as long as both parties are Christians. This is a very vexed subject, and one that has to be dealt with very carefully lest we give unwarranted and certainly unintended offence to people for whom we have a sincere love in the Lord Jesus Christ, but who have found themselves unintentionally in this position, or have entered such situations in all sincerity because of what they have been taught. My intent is not to pass judgment. That is Christ's prerogative alone. My authority and responsibility is to simply declare the stated purposes and mind of

God. If what I teach is different to that taught by other shepherds, then we obviously cannot both be correct, and in due time God will be our judge. So please remember that I am presenting the principles of God's Law, not attacking those who have become innocently involved.

I am sure that the discerning reader will have no trouble at all in recognising the striking parallel of the above account with what is happening in front of our very eyes within the true Israel nations today. There is a reason for our present position, and it's not new. It has been developing slowly but surely for several thousand years. And our shepherds have been too blind to see it.

God has a proper place for all nations and all people. But His full blessings can only be experienced by everyone, of whatever race, as they live within His Divine purposes for them. God is a God of Law and Order, not of confusion.

But the immediate problem is not just the mixed marriages. The problem is the **MIXED CULTURES!** Take any reasonable dictionary and look up the word "culture". It means "The social and religious structures and intellectual and artistic manifestations that characterize a society". If today we had "multi-nationalism", we would have a mixture of people from other nations, but not necessarily a mixture of their religious and social behaviour and beliefs. If people from other nations settled in our country and fully adopted and accepted our religious beliefs, that is, the Christian Faith, then we would be in a far better position. But to allow other nationalities to settle in our Christian country and bring in with them, and openly operate, their foreign and pagan religious beliefs is a recipe for absolute disaster.

So is it any wonder that when we come to the New Testament we find this very advice which Balaam gave to king Balak so many centuries before, receiving prominent mention? If there was nothing wrong with

Balaam's COUNSEL, then why does God continue to condemn it throughout the rest of the Bible, right up to the very last book of The Revelation? Why are we especially enjoined in Micah 6:5;

"O My people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the Lord."

The New Testament makes three references to this counsel of Balaam. The first is found in II Peter and is directed against the false prophets and teachers,

"who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that brought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways, by reason of whom, the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you. Whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not."

(II Peter 1:1-3)

Their condemnation is continued in verse 13;

"Spots they are, and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you; Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls. An heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children. Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following

the WAY OF BALAAM the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; but was rebuked for his iniquity. The dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet. (II Peter 2:13-16).

The second reference is found in the 11th verse of Jude. He speaks of those who

"Speak evil of those things which they know not. But what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. Woe unto them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after

the ERROR OF BALAAM for reward."

And finally we turn to the words of our Lord Jesus Christ Himself as recorded in His Revelation. Speaking to the Church of Pergamos, He says in Rev. 2:14;

"But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold

the DOCTRINE OF BALAAM, who taught Balak to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit fornication."

This is exactly what Josephus records in his discourse. Balak was advised by Balaam to place a stumblingblock before Israel by inducing them to accept the worship of pagan idols as part of their own lives in exchange for marriage to people of other cultures. Let me repeat. The individual people involved could have been, and probably were, very good living and honest people. But that was not the point. It wasn't the person that was necessarily the fault. It was their religious beliefs which they insisted in maintaining and bringing into the relationship, and from thence into the life and culture of the Israel society!

Thus we find that because of their greed for what the Word of God refers to as "the wages of unrighteousness", that is, to keep up their large congregations, and to be able to build up bigger and better churches and religious empires, they have made 'evil' good by accept-

ing the ERROR OF BALAAM, they have deliberately walked in this erroneous WAY OF BALAAM, and by their deliberate actions and false teachings, have established this error as DOCTRINE!

Let me repeat. The DOCTRINE OF BALAAM is nothing more, and nothing less than our present nation-destroying doctrine of MULTICULTURALISM.

God tells us in the clearest terminology that He is absolutely and completely against this doctrine. And the sooner our ministers, both in parliament and in the churches, wake up to this fact, the sooner we will solve so many of our present problems and if the Lord should tarry, give God's Israel people a decent chance of survival. Don't ever forget the purpose behind this doctrine of multiculturalism. It is not primarily concerned with humanitarianism. It is primarily concerned with, and was in fact instigated for, the deliberate purpose of destroying the Christian Anglo-Saxon-Celtic/Israel people so as to remove their name from all future remembrance. It is part of the anti-Christ scheme to destroy God's people by replacing their worship of Jehovah/Jesus with the worship of pagan gods.

But their plans are doomed to failure. Not because of any righteousness of ours, but because of the complete and unfailing faithfulness of Almighty God. He has promised that He will destroy all these evil practices and the evil prophets and teachers who support them with the brightness of His glory when He returns very shortly to take to Himself the Throne of His father David, and rule over us from that time forward with righteousness and justice and peace. May that great and wonderful day come quickly, and may we be ready and acceptable to receive His reward.

*"O My people, remember now what Balak king
of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of
Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal;
that ye may know
the righteousness of the Lord."*



THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES

(courtesy Hoskins Report. P.O. Box 997
Lynchburg, Virginia. 24505. U.S.A.).

Once upon a time there was a wicked king who was hated by his subjects.

This king was the latest in a long line of kings, each more wicked than the one before. He had killed or defeated all the other kings and taken their money, castles and land, and had made slaves of them so that they had to work for him. He had also killed many of their people to teach them a lesson, and had taken their farms too.

After taking their farms and businesses, he built great cities so his conquered subjects could come and live close to the evil king's factories and businesses where he wanted them to work.

In these new cities the people had to "buy" houses from the king every seven years. The king then "re-sold" the same house to someone else for seven more years. (*The average house in America changes hands every seven years and is usually financed once again using the same terms*). He told his subjects who had lost their homes that they had to buy new ones again and again to be part of the "dream", but when they had almost paid for them and times were hard, the king raised taxes so that they could not pay and their houses returned once more to the king.

There were a few who managed to save and pay for their houses so that they owned them. The evil king laughed, and rubbed his hands gleefully as he moved someone next door to them that they did not like so that they would have to move and buy another house

with money from the king's bank. The king was very wicked and very very greedy.

KING MIDAS' TOUCH.

The king had three great champions who fought for him. The first champion was King Midas. He made the new king rich by using a secret way to make money that was very old and very bad. It was so bad that all the people had been told never to use it. This secret made everything the king touched turn into gold.

The secret was really very simple. A poor man who needed money was persuaded to borrow from the king. The loan appeared simple and honest, but it was not.

The king agreed to lend \$10 to buy a house if the borrower agreed to repay \$11, and also agreed to give the king his house if he did not pay. The borrower did not know that the king could make money scarce by simply raising interest rates and making people pay more into his banks so that there would be less for everyone else.

In this way, when time came to pay the loan the borrower could not get \$11 because the king had left only \$10 still in circulation. When he could not pay he lost his house, or his little business, and the evil king got richer and richer. This 10 for 11 thing so angered God, whose land it really was, that He condemned the evil king to death. (*"He that hath . . given forth upon usury . . he shall surely die."* Ex. 18:8-13). The king knew that God had done this, but he slyly paid greedy preachers who pretended to work for God to work for him instead, and not to tell the people that God was mad at him. He did not give the preachers gold coins for doing this. If he had, everyone would see and become angry. He paid them instead by freeing them from taxes that everyone else had to pay. The greedy preachers loved this and told the people to obey everything the evil ruler said.

GOLIATH - THE ENFORCER!

There were always some people who followed the Good King who ruled in the good old days, and still obeyed His laws. These people did not honour the wicked new king. This made the new king angry and afraid. He sent spies into the countryside to discover these people who followed the old Laws, and when they were found he brought them before his judges and put them in jail. Sometimes a farmer would quote the law of the old ruler, *"The land shall not be sold forever: for the land is Mine."* Lev. 25:23, and would not leave his land. When this would happen he would tell one of his sheriffs to go and shoot him, and the sheriff would.

If some of the people fought back, the king would send a great many men who would go and shoot them, and burn them up with fire. This was done to make everyone afraid, and it did. It made them be quiet and pay their taxes too.

THE EMPEROR'S CLOTHES MAKE THE MAN.

The emperor hurt the people and did bad things, and the people held their nose when they saw him. He used perfume, but the people still said bad things about him and still held their noses. So, the emperor decided to do something about it. Instead of taking a bath and dressing in nice clean clothes, he used a magic talking suit that he had taken from some people he had conquered and that was hanging in his closet.

This magic suit was made of paper and the typeface made the wearer look like whatever the king wanted the wearer to look like. One time it would be blue to show that the king was honest and sincere. Another time it would be red to show the king's anger. Another time it would be white - the colour of purity and justice. When the king was doing evil black deeds, the suit could make him look like he was dressed in white in an instant. The suit also had buttons that could talk and show pictures.

This last part was necessary because the suit changed colour so often that the people had to be told what it all meant and the reason for the changes. The king would wear playclothes when working, and he would have on Sunday clothes when he was doing things he oughtn't. This was very confusing to the simple hard-working people.

The tailor who furnished the king's clothes had many people working for him and they worked hard to make the clothes the king ordered. (*There are more than 25,000 newspapers and T.V. stations in America alone. Practically all are combined into about 12 chains which in turn are related to each other in one way or another.*) In America the clothes made the Emperor look like the President. In England he looked like the king. In Japan, the ancient Emperor. In the USSR, a Commissar. But it was just the clothes. The same king ruled them all.

These magic clothes let the emperor persuade his subjects that they actually ruled themselves, that they could choose their own leaders. It was done in this way. In the whole land there might be two bad blackhearted scoundrels who would not tell the truth and who took candy from babies. These two were just the right kind for the Emperor. If they agreed to work for the emperor, the emperor would give them new clothes and pretty fairy tales would be told about them by the talking buttons, and everyone who gathered about every night after supper to listen would learn to love them.

After the people had been taught to love these two bad men, they were told to choose one of them to be their next leader. The choice was just between the two. No one else was ever talked about except those who worked for the emperor.

After being elected, the men showed that they were bad by taking the people's money and becoming rich. When this happened, and the people began to grumble, it was they who were blamed by the magic

talking clothes because they had voted the scoundrels into office. They were told that it was all their fault. In fact, the people were always told that everything bad that was being done to them was their own fault.

The emperor did the same thing in all the lands that he had conquered and ruled. Everyone was allowed to choose their own leaders in "free democratic" elections just like their brothers everywhere else.

THE PARADE.

The bad emperor has three champions who keep him on the throne.

- * King Midas - "The gold touch."
- * Goliath - "The enforcer," and,
- * The Emperor's Magic Talking Clothes - "The Mouth".

The bad emperor says that the Old Ruler has gone away and is dead. But the Old Ruler has not gone away. He is only allowing the latest evil emperor to rule so that He can determine who of His people love Him.

He has watched this latest ruler break His ancient Law. He has watched each of the emperor's champions break the Law. This Law has judged and condemned them. They know this and now tremble fearfully as they await execution of sentence.

In the world of fairy tales the king is always on parade. Watching the parade are those whose eyes The Law has opened, and they see through the paper veil with the eyes of children. They see the emperor as he is. They see him unbathed. He is like a sepulcher in which reside dead men's bones. They say;

"See! He wears no clothes!"

The emperor hears and looks startled. He clutches his rags about him and, trying to once again deceive, rapidly changes their colour. Pretending to hear nothing, he marches on with his champions close about him to defend him. But the cry mounts as others begin to see.

"Look! The emperor wears no clothes! The emperor wears no clothes!"

* * * *

"Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the well-favoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts; Behold, I am against thee, saith the Lord of hosts. And I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will show the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame. And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazing stock. And it shall come to pass that all that look upon thee shall flee from thee. . ."

(Nahum 3:4-7).



STUDY IN DANIEL.

A NEW SERIES OF 11 TAPES.

dealing with the entire Book of the Prophet Daniel.

Now available for A\$40 the set posted within Australia,

Overseas seamail.	A\$45.
Economy AIRMAIL to	New Zealand A\$45.
	U.S.A. A\$47.
	U.K./Europe A\$49.

Send now for this important study series.

THEOLOGICAL TIME-BOMB

By. Dan L. Gayman.
Courtesy "New Beginnings".

"When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whose readeth, let him understand)." (Matt. 24:15).

The effect of a theological time-bomb has been ticking away in America and the world. This bomb detonated May 14, 1988. On this historic date the forty year period of probation expired for the Zionist State of Israeli, which was born May 14, 1948, exactly forty years previously. For forty years the fundamentalist, dispensationalist, futurist theologians and millions of their followers have been building their theology on the ground and foundation that the Zionist State of Israeli in Palestine represents the fulfillment of Bible prophecy made to Israel in the Old Testament, and that the Khazarian Jews that have gathered into the political boundaries of Israeli represent the completion of the Bible prophecies calling for the regathering of Biblical Israel to the Promised Land deeded to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The televangelist ministries of America and Western Christendom have been promoting the Zionist State of Israeli for many years, and heralding the idea that the Jews who live there are the chosen people of God, that they are true Biblical Israel, and that the Christian nations of the world can be blessed only if we aid this Zionist Political State which they claim is the rebirth and restoration of Biblical Israel in the land promised to Abraham and his descendants in the Bible.

The termination of the forty year existence of this Zionist Political State on May 14, 1988, at the very time that major Televangelist ministers and their respective ministries are falling, is of extreme importance.

Can it be mere chance that several of the major Fundamentalist Television Ministries in America have crumbled into oblivion at the very time that the world is being exposed to the abomination of desolation which was set up in the Holy Land forty years earlier in 1948? Is there any correlation between the dismantling of the multi-million dollar Television Ministries and the fact that the Zionist State of Israeli is finally being exposed as a fraud and scam by news media people all over the world?

For the past forty years, American foreign policy has been keyed to the existence of the Zionist State of Israeli in the Middle East, and the fundamentalist Christians and their thousands of ministries have stood like a solid wall in support of this Zionist State. America has squandered billions in foreign aid to Israeli, and has defended, armed, protected, clothed and fed this outlaw political state for over forty years. Millions of fundamentalist Christians have lobbied in support of Israeli and demanded American support of the Israeli Jews on the basis of their claim to being the children of Abraham, and the inheritors of Palestine.

For forty years major Televangelists have warned the American public that if they did not bless the State of Israeli, God would curse America. Now, after forty years of blessing the political State of Israeli, what blessings has America reaped? In 1948, when America lent their full political and military support to the birth of Israeli, we were the strongest military power in the world. American factories supplied the world, and our workforce was the envy of the world. The economic productivity of America was the wonder of the world, and every major strategic point on planet earth was under the control of the United States Army, Navy and Airforce. Today, forty years after blessing the State of Israeli, America has been reduced to a political, economic and military shambles. We are now the largest debtor nation in the world, and our factories are silent and empty as foreign nations glut the American market place with their goods. We have surrendered our milit-

ary superiority and have forsaken the major sea lanes and strategic points of the earth. Our blessings upon the State of Israeli have returned to us in curses that are unparalleled in the annals of history.

For forty years the entire world has focused its eyes upon this tiny bit of real estate in the Middle East. Major world powers have scrambled to align themselves on the side of Political Zionism in the State of Israeli. The displacement of the Arab population from Palestine has brought the world to political and military brinkmanship. The present turmoil in the Middle East and the conflict that has raged there for the past forty odd years between Jews and Arabs can be traced in a straight line to the Jewish confiscation of land that had been settled and occupied for eighteen hundred years by an Arab population.

The existence of the State of Israeli has been greatly assisted by the Fundamentalist Church world, and in particular by popular Televangelists who have used television stations to capture the American public in support of the Zionist State of Israeli. These Fundamentalist Churches built their theological future upon the birth of the State of Israeli in 1948. When David Ben Gurian proclaimed Palestine as the State of Israel on May 14, 1948, the fundamentalist, dispensationalist, futurist ministers of America jumped on this event as the fulfillment of the "last days" prior to the return of our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

They taught that "this generation" spoken of by Christ in Matt 24:34 represented the last generation of time on this earth before Jesus Christ would return. They concluded that a generation was a time period lasting forty years, and that this last generation of time had its beginning on May 14, 1948. Thus, the last generation on God's time-clock was to begin ticking on that date. This generation was to expire on May 14th, 1988. Prior to its expiration in 1988, there was to be a secret rapture of the church wherein Jesus Christ would secretly abscond with all the righteous. This secret rapture

of the church was to take place at the beginning of the last week of years prior to the ending of the last generation, or 1981. This aborted rapture sent fundamentalist ministers scrambling to rechart their Bibles in 1981.

The beginning of the last week of the final generation (1981) was to witness two major events, the rapture of the church, and the beginning of the Great Tribulation. At the beginning of this Great Tribulation the anti-Christ was to make a covenant with the Jews, and a time of unprecedented trouble was to be ushered in. Midway through this last week of years, or about 1985, anti-Christ was to break his covenant with the Jews and the Battle of Armageddon was to commence. At the conclusion of this seven-year week, or by May 1988, our Lord was to return to end the Battle of Armageddon, the Jews were to all be converted to Christianity, and the thousand year millenial reign of Christ would take place.

With various modifications, this has been the basic theme of the Fundamentalist church world for the past forty years, and major Televangelists have marketed this theology before major T.V. networks and merchandised this heresy for millions of people, while reaping millions of dollars in tithes and offerings. The birth of the Zionist State of Israeli in 1948 has enabled television ministries to grow rich, while at the same time raising public support for American defence and aid to the State of Israeli.

The greatest theological hoax in the history of the human race has been made possible through the mis-application of the Word of God. Failure of the theologians for several succeeding generations to identify true Biblical Israel created a tremendous void in labelling the chosen people of the Bible. In the late 19th century, Khazarian Jews in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union sensed that the success of political Zionism was contingent upon the identification of Khazarian Jews being one with the children of Abraham. Promoting themselves to be literal Israel descended from Abraham fueled the

fires of political Zionism. Religious Zionism focused upon building Khazarian Jews as literal Biblical Israel. Political Zionism focused upon securing Palestine as the regathering place for Jews in confirmation of the promises made to Israel in the Holy Bible.

Theodore Herzl's *Der Judenstaat, The Jewish State*, (1986), became the foundation for modern Zionism, and under his guidance the first Zionist Congress gathered in Basel, Switzerland, in 1897. At that time, the world Zionist organisation was formed. The birth of political Zionism was being born with the Balfour Declaration signed by the British Government in November, 1917, which called for a Jewish homeland in Palestine. World War I (1914-1918) made it possible for wealthy Zionist bankers to underwrite England's participation in this war, and with the Jewish organised Bolshevik Revolution inside Christian Russia in 1917, America's entry into the war was made certain. Beginning in 1914 with World War I until the birth of the Zionist State of Israel in 1948, and following the Second World War in 1939-1945, America and England, in cooperation with the League of Nations, and then with the United Nations, worked to secure the fulfillment of a Zionist State in the Middle East.

Political Zionism was made secure when religious Zionism was launched from the pulpits of the Fundamentalist church world in both America and England throughout the early years of the 20th. century and continued on to the present time. Thousands of ministers formed a solid theological wall to present the Zionist State of Israel as the rebirth of Biblical Israel, and the tens of thousands of Khazarian Jews as Biblical Israelites regathering to the Promised Land deeded in perpetuity to Abraham and his descendants.

In order to fill the great theological gap created by this scrambled Bible teaching, Fundamentalist ministers transferred everything that the Bible promised to Israel, to the Zionists gathering over in Palestine. Not knowing what to do with the millions of Anglo-Saxons

and kindred peoples who had adopted Christianity and who revered and loved our Lord Jesus Christ, they sought to place all these people in a Gentile church and continue to promote the Jews as God's chosen people. They continued to ignore the fact that the Anglo-Saxon, Scandinavian, Germanic, Slavic and kindred people had embraced Christ, the Bible and Christianity, and were doing everything that the Holy Scriptures declared Abraham's seed would be doing in history.

Now, after forty years of probation, the theological paradox of the ages is coming to a close. At long last, the truth about political Zionism is dawning in America and the Western World. For the first time in over forty years, television cameras are presenting the public with the atrocities being committed against a defenseless Arab population by the ruthless and barbaric Israeli armies. At the same time that world opinion is beginning to expose the fraud of World Zionism in Palestine, the fall of major Televangelists is taking place. The congruence of these two major events represents one of the most stunning events in American history.

As time continues, the Zionist fraud will continue to unravel before the public. The subterfuge and hidden designs of World Zionism cannot continue for ever. Moreover, millions of restless Fundamental Anglo-Saxon and kindred Christians cannot be held in spiritual blindness for ever. Discontent and mistrust with the Televangelist ministries, and a growing thirst to read the Bible for themselves is causing many weary Christians to take a new look at the world in which they live. Foremost in their search of the Holy Bible will be the issue of who is Biblical Israel. As they search for the true children of Abraham, they will be led to the realisation that the people from the Volga who presently live in Palestine were never related to the people who once lived around the Jordan. Moreover, they will find that the Kharzarian Jews never descended from Abraham and that their claim to Palestine is based upon fraud. Subsequent to this discovery, they are most likely to find that the Anglo-Saxon and kindred people of the Western World

have for centuries been doing what Abraham's children were to be doing on this earth.

The theological time-bomb for this theological explosion has now detonated. The religious fraud is over. The Fundamentalist church world cannot continue to teach that Khazarian Jews are Biblical Israelites and that the Zionist State of Israeli is the rebirth of Biblical Israel. Moreover, it will become increasingly difficult for world Zionism to convince world opinion that the Zionist State of Israeli should be supported, defended, clothed and fed by the American public. Now, if you really want to know why the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith, the Jewish World Congress, the Jewish Defense League, and other such organisations seek to control and mould public opinion in America and the Western Christian World, it is because they must continue to conceal the truth about Zionism or their fraud will become public.

The theological time-bomb has exploded, and the noise of this theological bombshell is now being heard by millions of Abraham's seed around the earth.

(The above was written prior to 1988, and has been edited slightly to update it to this year of 1990. It is of paramount importance to realise that we are now in the succeeding period of judgment which became mandatory following our failure during the probationary period which concluded in 1988. This period of NINE years, ('nine' being the Scriptural number of finality and judgment), expires in 1997, by which time we will have seen the signing of the 'Ecumenical Instrument' by which official Christendom will recognise and admit into our national life, and on equal terms, the worship of Baal, the final entry into the E.E.C., and I believe, the death and resurrection of the Two Witnesses, the Dominion and Sanctuary of Psalm 114, referred to by Ezekiel as the regathering of the 'dry bones'. We live in tremendous times. As we continue in this 'tarrying period', we must be ready for the summons to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb which is timed to occur at any time now. Editor.)



STUDY IN REVELATIONS.

By F. W. DOWSETT.

PART ELEVEN.

THE SECOND WOE.

In our studies thus far we have seen how the last three trumpets of Revelation are referred to under the title of Three Woes. We have already dealt with the first of these Woes, the Fifth Trumpet, and we now turn to the Sixth Trumpet, or Second Woe. The account is found in Rev. 9:13-21;

"And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone. And the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

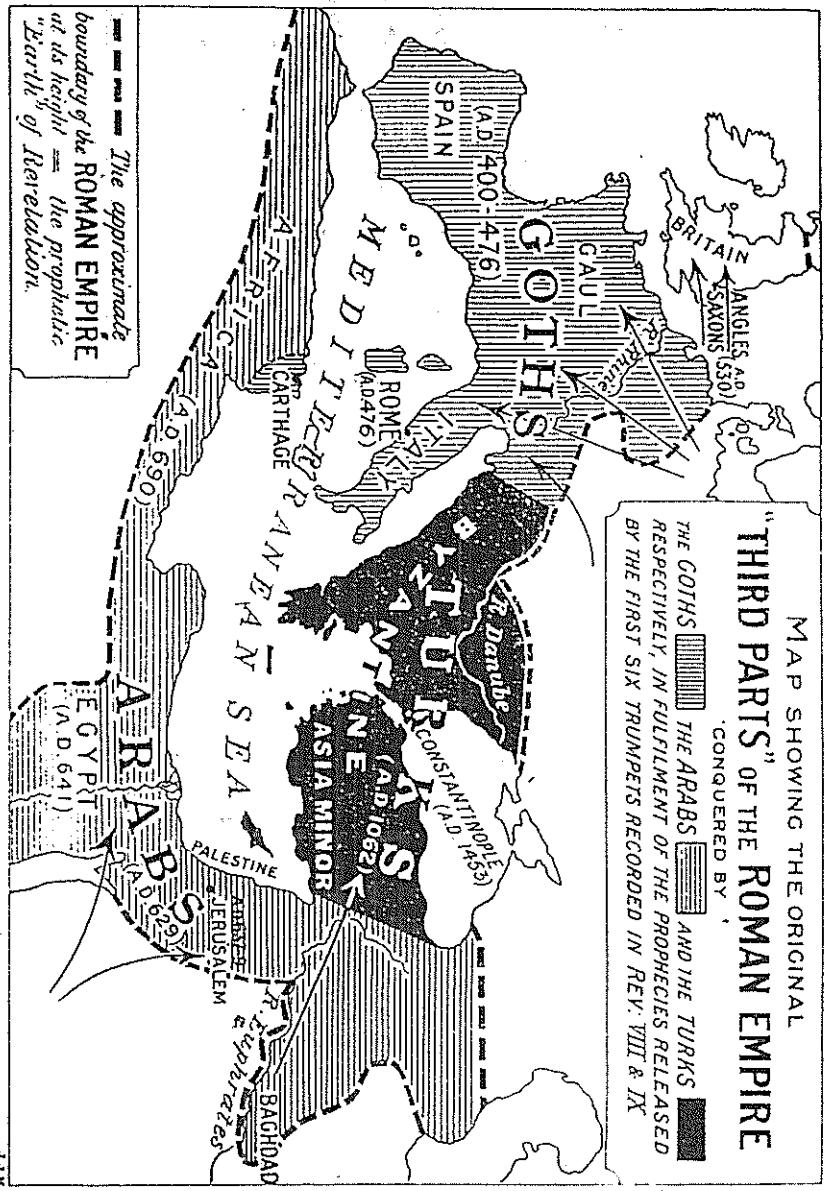
For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails. For their tails were like unto serpents,

MAP SHOWING THE ORIGINAL
"THIRD PARTS" OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE

MAP SHOWING THE ORIGINALLY
“PARTS” OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE
“CONQUERED BY”

THE GOTHS  THE ARABS  AND THE TURKS  RESPECTIVELY, IN FULLFILMENT OF THE PROPHECIES RELEASED BY THE FIRST SIX TRUMPETS RECORDED IN REV. VIII & IX

The approximate
boundary of the **ROMAN EMPIRE**
at its height = the prophetic
"Earth" of Revelation.



*and had heads, and with them they do hurt.
And the rest of the men which were not killed
by these plagues yet repented not of the work
of their hands, that they should not worship
devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass,
and stone, and of wood; which neither can see,
nor hear, nor walk.*

*Neither repented they of their murders, nor of
their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of
their thefts."*

As previously pointed out, the source of the First Woe is not stated. But this is not the case when we come to the Second Woe. Its source is clearly stated as having its origin in "the Euphrates". Thus we are given an important clue to the identity of this Woe, and there can be no doubt as to the fact that it commenced with the rise of the Turkish or Ottoman Empire, and included the activities of this empire in the destruction of the final third part of the original Roman Empire, as shown in the accompanying map. As we saw in our reading above, God commanded the angel of the sixth trumpet to "loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates." It is certainly no coincidence that the Turks had established just FOUR kingdoms in the area of the Euphrates River, those of Bagdad, Domacus, Aleppo, and Iconium. History records that in 1062 A.D. the Ottoman Turks poured across the Euphrates on a very wide front. Verse 16 of Revelation 9 makes a very interesting observation as to the size of this invasion. It specifically records the number of horsemen which John saw. In referring to this statement, Dr. Finlay D.D., in his excellent book "The Patmos Story", has this to say;

"While the general statistics of the numbers involved in this present the picture of 'two hundred thousand thousand', the literal translation of the Greek Scripture places this number as 'Two myriads of myriads' - phrases which not only give positive identity to those from the Euphrates, but also present the numbers in proportions which are more realistic. According to Gibbon, the Turks were in the habit of reckoning their forces in

'myriads' or 'tomans' which each consisted of a force of 10,000 men.(*) In his 'Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire', Gibbon focuses attention on Togrul who unified four sections, all of the house of Seljuk, and passed 'the Euphrates at the head of his cavalry the number of which was two hundred thousand.' While historians may differ as to the mathematics, all agree that the numbers of horsemen involved in the Turkish invasion was infinitely greater than any of the contemporary armies of Europe at the close of the eleventh century."

(*) (In counting their troops a pen was built to hold ten thousand horsemen. This pen was successively filled and emptied until the army was counted. Thus they were literally counted by the tens of thousands).

These people had embraced the Mohammedan religion, and their ultimate aim was the destruction of the Christian Faith as represented in what was now claimed to be its new Capitol, Constantinople, and thence the Holy Land, Palestine, itself. Thus began the era known to us as 'The Crusades'. By the year 1291 A.D., after some two centuries of fighting, these Crusades were crushed, and the Mongol-Turkish forces were then able to turn their full attention to the destruction of the final section of the Roman Empire. In 1389 Bulgaria fell, followed by Salonika in 1430, Serbia in 1483, and Greece in 1446. The remaining third portion of the Eastern Roman Empire was completely in the hands of the Turks by 1452, and in May, 1453, the city of Constantinople fell, exactly on time, as foretold in God's Word. Rev. 9:15 tells us that the time for which these hordes were prepared was "an hour, a day, a month, and a year." In prophetic terms a year = 360 days, whilst a month = 30 days. Thus we have $360 + 30 + 1 = 391$ days plus 1 hour, or 1/24th of a day. As in the prophetic application of time periods 1 day = 1 year, we thus have a period of 391 years represented. Again it is no coincidence that from the emergence of the Turks from the area of the Euphrates River in 1062 A.D. to the capture of Constantinople in 1453 A.D. was exactly 391 years. During this time, the Turks, under the leadership of

Othman, had invaded Nicomedia, and by 1299 had established the Ottoman Empire which by 1353 was well established in Europe. As we found in our study of Revelation chapter seven, the migrating people and tribes of Israel had already passed westward beyond this geographic area, and thus there was no longer any requirement for restraint in military activity and conquest in these countries.

To illustrate just how concise and methodical our Lord is, and how He uses time-cycles to show us the way in our understanding of prophecy, if we add a further period of 391 years to the date of the downfall of Constantinople on March 6th, 1453, we reach the year 1844 A.D. That year was the 1260th. lunar year of the Hegira, or Muslim calendar, one of the very time cycles referred to by the Angel of God to the prophet Daniel in Dan. 12:7 under the terminology of 'a time, times, and a half a time'. The Mohammedan calendar is based on the Lunar Year, and thus we find that a second number referred to in Dan. 12:12, that of 1335, is recorded in history by the fact that exactly 1335 lunar years from the Hegira date of Mohammed's flight from Mecca in 622 A.D. brings us to our year of 1917 when the Holy City of Jerusalem was freed from the Turks by the British General Allenby. And finally, the Mosque of Omar was built on the site of Solomon's Temple by the Ottoman leader in 634 A.D. when he commenced his career. In Dan. 12:11 we read of 'the abomination of desolation' associated with the number 1290 day/years. Once again, it is no coincidence that exactly 1290 years from this date of 634 brings us to 1924 A.D., when right to the exact day, March 6th, the Caliphate was abolished. This was the very same day on which Constantinople fell in 1453 A.D. God does not include these time cycles in His Word just to fill up space. They are there for our admonition and instruction in understanding His great purposes.

Finally, let us look at Rev. 9, verses 17 to 19 where we have a most unusual description. Putting it all together in one concise statement we have "The heads

of the horses looking like the heads of lions, whilst out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone". We also find that "Their power is in their mouth, and in their tails, for their tails are like unto serpents, and they had heads, and with them they did hurt." Now in trying to understand this, we must remember that John was given a vision of implements of war which were going to be used at a time far removed from when he was alive, and for which he had no existing words which he could use to accurately describe them. So he did the best he could. It was just the same with the prophet Isaiah when he saw a vision of aeroplanes in Isa. 31:5. Because he had no available words to describe an aeroplane, he referred to them as 'birds flying' and 'passing over ' in the defence and preservation of Jerusalem. So John used the terminology available to him at the time. Mr. Howard B. Rand, in his "Study in Revelation" makes the following most interesting comment;

"While walking along the embankment near the Tower of London some years ago, I came across many cannons captured by the British in past wars. It is always interesting to note the evolution in style and design of such weapons until we reach the modern breech loader and rapid fire cannon in use today. My attention was attracted to an old cannon among the collection, cast in the form of an animal sitting upon its haunches. Immediately the passage cited by John came to mind as I exclaimed, 'There, that is what John saw!' Upon investigation, history revealed that the first serious use of cannon and gunpowder against a city is recorded in connection with the siege of Constantinople. It was also interesting to discover that the cannons used were cast in the form of lions. John saw men astride these cannons, ramming in the powder and the shot. He watched the burning of the old-fashioned fuse, serpent-like with its spluttering head of fire, followed by the fire, smoke and brimstone issuing out of the mouth of these iron horses with lions' heads."

Thus we find that the Turkish/Ottoman Empire bears all the marks of identity as the power which was

to destroy the remaining third of the once great Roman Empire during the time of "The Second Woe". But those who escaped this awful time didn't learn a thing by it. The Church of Rome continued on its pernicious way totally regardless of the evidence of God's punishment upon evil, and the onward march of history just as God had forewarned. They did not repent of their false worship. They continued with the worship of their idols. They continued unabashed in their murders, their fornication, and their thefts. The worship of Baal was not to be so easily destroyed. Whilst the redeemed Israel nation and people had, by God's sovereign grace, escaped the rigors and destruction of these wars as they moved ever westward to their appointed place in the Isles of the West, Satan, the arch-enemy and accuser of the brethren was already making ready his final assault on these same people, but this time through the infiltration and ultimate destruction of their spiritual faith through the introduction of false religious beliefs and cultures. The success of this plan is evident wherever we look today. In the majority of cases, whenever Christianity is referred to, it is represented by the Church of Rome, a church which never was, and never will be Christian. But the great majority of Christians, and sadly, so many otherwise good and sincere people who have been caught up and totally misled by the wiles of the Papal system don't recognise this plain fact. This, together with the introduction of pagan and heathen religions to our Israel lands is having a catastrophic effect on our national and personal relationship with our God, the Lord God of Israel.

But let me assure you, my friends, that God is still on His Throne. He is still in charge. Not one thing is happening today but what He knows about it, and is allowing it because of our disobedience to Him. Our great hope lies in the fact that He has promised that;

"No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the

Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord." (Isa. 54:17).

However, the period denoted by The Second Woe does not conclude with the end of the Ottoman Empire as so many seem to conclude. That period of history constituted only a part of the events included under this Woe. As a matter of fact, we are still living in the period of the Second Woe. If we turn to Revelation chapter 11 and verse 14 we read there;

"The second woe is passed; and behold, the third woe cometh quickly."

In between the end of the Ottoman Empire and the end of the Second Woe are described two additional both wonderful and powerful events in chapters 10 and 11. The first of these events, the Reformation as described in chapter 10, has already passed into history. But the second of these events, the death and resurrection of the Two Witnesses of chapter 11 are still future. We will deal with both these events in a future study, God willing, but for now, let us realise the tremendous implication of the fact that we are now living in the very days of the fulfillment of the prophecy regarding the death and resurrection of these Two Witnesses. As I have stated elsewhere, I believe that this event is associated and tied in with the signing of the Ecumenical Instrument later this year, when our nation officially surrenders herself to Baal, and with our final entry into the iniquitous E.E.C. in 1992.

We live in absolutely stupendous days. It is almost beyond belief, even for those of us who are so anxiously watching, to realise that at last the culmination of all our hopes and dreams is about to burst upon us. Our Great God and Saviour, even our Lord Jesus Christ, is finally about to re-enter again the affairs of men, when He will rule and reign in righteousness and justice for evermore. May He hasten that glorious day, and may we be ready to welcome Him with the honour and glory which are His due.



which can only come through the infilling and ministry of the Holy Spirit within us.

We proclaim the absolute necessity for our nation to return to full obedience to the Law of God as the only way by which we can receive the full blessings of God.

We proclaim the absolute necessity for each and every individual Christian to prepare themselves for the greatest event yet to be witnessed on this earth, namely,

THE RETURN OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

The production, publication, and distribution of this magazine, THE COVENANT VISION, is being undertaken as a faith ministry. It is sent out without any charge to all who wish to receive it. Naturally, it costs money to do this, and whilst we have dedicated our own personal resources to the continuation of this ministry, the support of those who read it, and are blessed by it, is vitally necessary for its continuance and growth. To this end we invite your prayerful consideration and support.

We also invite you, our readers, to send us the names and addresses of any whom you think could be blessed by receiving a free copy. In this way you can share in the proclaiming of the Gospel of the Kingdom, that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified.

It is our fervent prayer that you will be blessed and lifted to higher planes of joy and blessing as you study and learn of the wonders of God's Word, and of His boundless and merciful love for each of us.

With our Christian love, Frank and Betty Dowsett.

Frank and Betty Dowsett.

All correspondence should be addressed to:

COVENANT VISION MINISTRY.
P O BOX V192 MOUNT DRUITT VILLAGE.
N S W 2770 AUSTRALIA
Phone: 02/623-4691.

"THEN THEY THAT FEARED THE LORD SPAKE
OF TEN ONE TO ANOTHER.

AND THE LORD HEARKENED, AND HEARD IT, AND
A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE WAS WRITTEN
BEFORE HIM FOR THEM THAT FEARED THE LORD,
AND THAT THOUGHT UPON HIS NAME.

AND THEY SHALL BE MINE, SAITH THE LORD OF
HOSTS, IN THAT DAY WHEN I MAKE UP MY
JEWELS.

AND I WILL SPARE THEM, AS A MAN SPARETH HIS
OWN SON THAT SERVETH HIM."

(Mal. 3:16-17).

Printed and Distributed by
COVENANT VISION MINISTRY.
P O BOX V192 MOUNT DRUITT VILLAGE
N S W 2770 AUSTRALIA

National Library of Australia Number
ISSN 1031-8135

Registered by Australia Post Publication No. NAR7378.