

# The PLAIN TRUTH

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## Prophesied to *Happen* to AMERICA and BRITAIN!

**Here is the most astounding prophecy for our time. The future CAN BE KNOWN—God reveals it. YOU can thus know in advance the shocking turn of world events which soon will STAGGER our peoples! This is the concluding installment of Mr. Armstrong's series on the United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy which appeared serially in this magazine last year.**

**by Herbert W. Armstrong**

### WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE:

**W**E OF the United States and the British Commonwealth nations are involved as the central powers in soon-to-occur *world-shaking events* that will dwarf the first two world wars to insignificance!

The American and British peoples, and those of Northwestern Europe, are destined to rise to a position of world POWER, prosperity and dominance many times greater than we now enjoy—and to retain our exalted position as the head nations of earth as long as humanity exists. But first we are to be catastrophically PUNISHED by our God! We have serious lessons to learn.

Our immediate destiny is laid bare in momentous prophecies. If we *knew*, we could change our national course and avert the most colossal disaster of all history. If *you* know, you can have complete protection.

### Prophecies Grievously Misunderstood

The prophecies of the Bible have been grievously misunderstood.

And no wonder! For the vital KEY, without which prophetic doors cannot

be opened to understanding, had become lost since apostolic days. That key is a definite knowledge of the true identity of the American and British peoples in prophecy.

The vast wealth and resources of the United States and the British Commonwealth—and our control of the gateways of world commerce—were promised to the patriarch Abraham *and to his descendants!*

Dual promises were made to Abraham. The kingly and spiritual promise, called *the Sceptre*, culminating in the Messiah, and salvation thru Him; and the purely material and national promises, called *the Birthright*.

These two distinct promises were handed down thru Isaac and Jacob, but they went into separate tribes—for *the Sceptre* was never to depart from the tribe of Judah (Gen. 49:10), "but *the Birthright* was JOSEPH'S" (I Chron. 5: 2). The *Sceptre* promise involved GRACE, the *Birthright* concerned only RACE.

This astounding promise, called the Birthright, has never been fulfilled in the Jews!

In previous installments we traced the

little-understood history of Abraham's descendants—how they were finally divided into *two* nations after the days of Solomon—how the northern division, the House of Israel, was taken captive and became known as the "lost ten tribes"—and how the southern division, the House of Judah, was finally destroyed and its descendants, known as Jews, scattered over the world.

JUDAH seceded from the nation ISRAEL, and formed a separate and *different* nation, the Kingdom of JUDAH. The tribe of Benjamin, and most of Levi, went into the new Kingdom of Judah. The *Birthright* and the *Sceptre* were divided into *two separate nations*. JUDAH had the *Sceptre* and the kingly dynasty—ISRAEL had the *Birthright*, jointly possessed by Ephraim and Manasseh, descendants of the sons of Joseph.

The people of the separate nation, Kingdom of JUDAH, came to be known as "Jews"—the nickname for Judah. The ten-tribed House of ISRAEL was *not Jewish*. Their descendants today *are not Jews*. Abraham was *not a Jew!* The term "Jew" is a nickname for "Judah," and was never applied to any but those of the Kingdom of Judah! The first place

in all the Bible where the term "Jews" occurs is II Kings 16:6—and there we find the Kingdom of ISRAEL *at war against the Jews!* The next place in the Bible where the term "Jew" is employed is after the ten-tribed House of ISRAEL had been invaded, conquered, and removed as slaves from their land, and *only* the Jews remained!

In the last installment we LOCATED THE NEW LAND to which the ten-tribed House of Israel migrated after their captivity. We found absolute proof that they migrated from the land of their captivity to NORTHWESTERN EUROPE and to the BRITISH ISLES, from which they have spread world-wide.

You may obtain the amazing *proof* of our national identity—that the English speaking world and the democracies of Northwestern Europe are the descendants of the House of Israel—in condensed form in my FREE booklet "*The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.*" Write for it *immediately* if you have not already received it.

## CHAPTER IX

**N**OW THAT we understand WHO we are, let's understand the *startling* turn of world events which will dumbfound our people and astound the world!

Open your Bibles to Micah, the fifth chapter, beginning with verse 8. Here is God's warning:

"And the remnant of Jacob"—the last generation of Jacob or Israel in this 20th century—"shall be *among the Gentiles* in the midst of many people as a *lion* among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver."

Notice that this is the time when our people are the greatest and mightiest of the nations—as a lion compared to the lesser animals of the forest. God used wild animals to symbolize the relative strength of the nations. We are the greatest, most powerful nations of earth.

God continues, "Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off" (verse 9).

God has given us victory over all our enemies in two world wars. They have been cut off. There was no nation which could deliver the enemies out of our hands.

This prophecy could not possibly apply to the Jews. NEVER have they been the greatest, mightiest nation in world power—or its greatest military power. But we *have been*, for many modern years!

It is at this moment that God warns America and Britain—at the time we are

at our pinnacle of strength: "And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Eternal, that I will cut off your war-horses and destroy your chariots" (verse 10, Moffatt Trans.).

Notice, at the time we are the most powerful nations, God says He will cause enemies to destroy our *military might!*

"And I will *cut off the cities of thy land*, and throw down all thy strong holds"—or fortresses (verse 11). Our cities are to be *cut off*, or "rooted out" according to Moffatt. Yes, our cities are to be *destroyed*—by atomic and hydrogen bombing.

This is a prophecy for our day. The cities of ancient Israel were *not* destroyed. Instead, the cities were re-peopled with Gentiles according to II Kings 17:24.

This prophecy *cannot* be applied to the captivity of ancient Israel. It's a prophecy for NOW!—for the immediate future! It *cannot* possibly apply to the Jews. It can *only* apply to the American, British, and democratic nations of Northwestern Europe, this latter half of the Twentieth Century!

### Our People to Become Slaves

Now turn to another prophecy, Jeremiah 30, beginning verse 3:

"For, lo, the days come, saith the Eternal, that I will bring again the captivity of my people *Israel and Judah*"—notice that Israel AND Judah are in *captivity*—SLAVERY—"and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave their fathers, and they shall possess it." This has not happened yet—it is a prophecy for the future, after our people are taken into CAPTIVITY.

Continuing with verse 4: "And these are the words that the Eternal spake concerning Israel AND Judah. For this saith the Eternal; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace. . . . Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble"—it is the time of our *national* calamity—"but he shall be saved out of it."

We are not spared from it. We will get into this trouble, but we will be delivered out of it. How? Let's read on:

"For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I will break his yoke"—an enemy's yoke of bondage—"from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers"—Gentile nations—shall no more serve themselves of him (Jacob)" (verse 8).

And in verses 10-14: "Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the Eternal, neither be dismayed, O Israel, for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed FROM THE LAND OF THEIR CAPTIVITY . . . though I make a full end of the nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I WILL CORRECT THEE IN

MEASURE, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished. . . . All thy lovers"—our Gentile *allies* whom we hire with money—"HAVE FORGOTTEN THEE; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound OF AN ENEMY, with the chastisement OF A CRUEL ONE"—*why?* Here is God's answer:

"FOR THE MULTITUDE OF THINE INIQUITY; because thy sins were increased. . . . Because thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee" (Jer. 30:14-15).

That's why God will allow enemy nations to overrun our land and wreck our cities—because our prosperity has gone to our head and crime, lust and pride are mounting to high heaven.

It's time we AWAKEN to our NATIONAL *sins* and change our ways by real repentance!

Notice when this prophecy in Jeremiah applies: "In the *latter days* ye shall consider it" (verse 24, last part).

This IS a prophecy *for our day*—not a prophecy for ancient Israel. It is a prophecy for America and Britain in these latter days.

### What Nations Conquer Us?

In Jeremiah 30:8 we have read that our people would be in slavery with a "YOKE" around our neck. Who forces this yoke of abject slavery upon us?

Isaiah 47 has the answer. In this chapter is a prophecy about the "daughter of the Chaldeans" or Babylonians. This is not the Babylon of Nebuchadnezzar's time. This is the "daughter" of that Babylon. This power is pictured as a woman—a daughter of the ancient Babylon. She is called "The lady of kingdoms" (Isa. 47:5).

God says of this "daughter" of that ancient Babylon: "I was wroth with my people"—Israel—"I have polluted mine inheritance"—how? "and given them [Israel] into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon the ancient hast thou very heavily LAID THY YOKE" (verse 6).

This is the power that presses the heavy *yoke of bondage* upon our people. It is *not* communist Russia. It is the daughter of that ancient Babylon of the Chaldeans.

Let's understand the Bible's own interpretation of this modern "Babylon." What power is it *today?*—for it puts a yoke upon us in the future—*after* we have been the greatest and most powerful of the nations.

Turn to the seventeenth chapter of Revelation.

Here is a *woman* pictured. She is called a "great whore" although she masquerades as a virgin. "And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF (Please continue on page 14)

# Was JESUS Dead?

**IT IS revealed that Jesus was "Emmanuel"—that is, "God with us"—GOD in the human flesh. He was both God and man. He was divine, as well as human. Can God die? Was Jesus really dead, or did only his body die? Was Jesus the Divine One alive during the three days and three nights a body was in the tomb? Here is a brief, pointed answer.**

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**T**HIS is a question that has perplexed millions. It is an enigma that has never been made clear and plain to many minds.

Yet the Scriptures give us a plain revelation, in plain, simple words—if we can *believe* the Scriptures—which is to believe they mean *exactly what they say*, instead of what men by twisting and wresting try to make them say.

We read: "Christ *died* for our sins according to the Scriptures" (I Cor. 15: 3).

"Christ" means "Anointed," or "Messiah," and while the name "Jesus" may be used to denote the human man, the title "Christ" certainly refers to the Divine One—the one who was GOD with us. This Scripture says He died, and was buried—and it was He—the CHRIST—the Divine One—who ROSE FROM THE DEAD. He did not rise from *life* or a living state, but from the DEATH!

"For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that He might be Lord both of the dead and living" (Rom. 14:9).

When He rose, He was *revived*. When a boxer is knocked unconscious, the attendants work over him to *revive* him. The expression "He was revived" indicates Christ had been unconscious—not that He rose from a state of conscious mental activity.

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly . . . while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:6, 8).

## God in the Flesh

The test of a spirit—that is, angel or demon—is this: "Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God" (I John 5:2). But does this mean that Jesus was God *inside of* a body of flesh? Could this mean that it was merely the *body* Christ was dwelling in that died, while Christ Himself, being God, did not die, but left the body and remained alive, conscious, active, during the three days and three nights in the tomb?

Notice again: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,

and the Word *was God*" (John 1:1).

The Greek word is "Logos." It means "Word," or "Spokesman." This is referring to the One who co-existed with the Father from eternity—who always existed—who is one with the Father, yet, as He Himself said, His Father is greater than He.

Always He referred to Himself as One *sent* by the Father. He said that the words He spoke were not spoken of Himself, but the Father who sent Him gave him a commandment what He should say and speak. The One who gives the orders and sends another is in a position superior to the one sent, and who obeys the orders. A husband is set by God in a position superior, in the family relationship, to that of the wife. Yet they are both human—both on the same level—and they are ONE. Not one God, but *one flesh*.

In the Church, or local congregation, an elder is in authority during a service that all things may be done decently and in order, and he has the rule over the congregation. Yet Christ prayed that the Church would be kept as ONE, *even as* He and the Father are One. The Church is composed of many members, yet ONE BODY. And its members, more than one, are to be kept ONE in the sense of harmony and unity in love and purpose, as Christ and the Father are One—and they form ONE CHURCH, even as the Father and Christ form ONE GOD—yet more than one member, or one person.

## Christ the Everliving

In the Old Testament the "Logos" is called by different names. God calls people and beings *what they are*.

There was an archangel, perfect in beauty, full of knowledge. He was named what he actually was—LUCIFER, which in English means "Shining Star of the Dawn"—or Lightbringer. But when thru pride he decided to compete against God for supremacy of the universe, and to take possession and rule from God, his name was changed to what he now was—SATAN, which in English means "Adversary," or rival, or competitor.

Therefore the names of Christ have

always been—whether names or titles—words which describe *what He is*. Most frequently He was called "Yahweh," erroneously translated in the Revised Version "Jehovah." In the King James Version it is rendered "Lord."

Today we do not know either the correct spelling or pronunciation of this holy, sacred name—it was so sacred it was never pronounced in ancient Israel, any more than a son who properly honors his father would call him by his first name. Yet we know its MEANING—it means "The Eternal"—or the One in whom is inherent LIFE. *It signifies One who possesses life inherent from eternity to eternity—life-source!* He also was called "Yahweh-ropha"—God our healer. He gave His name to Moses as "I AM." That is, the One who IS—who EXISTS—who has life inherent in Himself!

He also is the Word, or Spokesman. God is Creator—but the Father created all things by, and thru, Christ the WORD.

He is the One who "SPAKE, and it was done." He is the One who said, "Let there be light"—and the Holy Spirit moving upon the face of the waters performed the command, and "there was light."

Yet Jesus spoke, or commanded, only what the Father had commanded Him. Father, Word, and Holy Spirit combined in perfect harmony in Creation!

Now, the Logos—the WORD—was God. "The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him . . . In Him was LIFE . . . And the Word *was made flesh*, and dwelt among us." (John 1:1-4, 14.)

## Christ Was CONVERTED Into Flesh

Notice, the "WORD," who was the ETERNAL—the EVERLIVING—in whom was LIFE—eternal life—by whom all things were made and created—the very GOD Himself—HE WAS MADE FLESH.

Notice, He did not merely enter into some mortal fleshly body—the body of another. He was not separate from the flesh, as One inside the flesh. It says in plain language—IF we believe the Scrip-

ture—IF we believe it means what it says—*it says He was made flesh!*

That is, He who had existed from eternity—He by whom God created the worlds and all things therein—He who *was and is LIFE*—He who was GOD—He *was made flesh*—converted INTO flesh, until He *became* flesh—and then He *WAS* flesh!

Yes, Jesus was a fleshly MAN. He was God come in human flesh. And, when converted into human flesh, the LIFE that kept Him alive resided IN THE BLOOD, as in all: who are *flesh* (Lev. 17:11). The breath oxidizes the blood and is called the "breath of life"—of animal, or human, life.

Jesus was also GOD—He was both human and divine. But He was not GOD inside of, yet separate from the body of flesh—He, God, was MADE FLESH, until He, still GOD—God *with us*—became God IN (*not* inside of) the human flesh—God manifest IN THE FLESH (I Tim. 3:16)—"He also likewise (as the children are partakers of flesh and blood) took part of the same" (Heb. 2:14).

That is, as we humans are partakers of flesh and blood, Jesus Christ, also, in exactly the same manner, was partaker of flesh and blood.

And why? Why, in order that He *might* DIE!—"that through *death* He might annul him who had the power of death, that is, the devil—for verily He took not on Him the nature of angels; but He took on Him the seed of Abraham . . . made LIKE unto His brethren" (Verses 14, 16).

Jesus came, NOT in the nature of angels—that is, spirit nature. He was a human being. He was MADE FLESH—made HUMAN—He took on, at birth, HUMAN NATURE. He was tempted in all points like we are. He suffered as we do. He was forced to resist the pull of human nature, even as you and I. He, God, BECAME MAN—man so that HE COULD DIE for us, that our sins might be erased and forgiven!

#### It Was CHRIST Who Died

Jesus DIED! Jesus WAS DEAD!

And for three days and three nights the Second Person of the Godhead—EMMANUEL—GOD with us—GOD *made* human flesh—was DEAD!

And dead matter cannot impart life. Life can come only FROM life. As a human, Jesus was the Son of God the Father. God was His only Father. Mary was His mother. He became the SON of God at his human birth. And now He was DEAD—yes, DEAD! If He was not DEAD, then the penalty of *your* sins is not yet paid—you are yet in your sins—you are without hope! But Jesus was DEAD!

If there was no other Person in the Godhead, then the Giver of all Life was

dead and all hope was at an end!

If there was no FATHER in heaven while Jesus Christ lay dead—His blood in which resided His LIFE shed from His veins, given for you and for me—then all life everywhere had come to an end!

But the Father still reigned in high Heaven! And the FATHER had LIFE INHERENT IN HIMSELF!

Life can come only *from* life! And Christ Jesus was not DEAD! *His* life had gone from Him—poured out on Calvary's Cross—poured out from His veins! That's where His life resided—in His BLOOD, not in spirit! He did not shed a *spirit* to save us from our sins—He shed His BLOOD, and in so doing GAVE HIS LIFE.

But, "as the Father hath life *in Himself*; so hath He given to the Son to have life in Himself" (John 5:26).

*God the Father raised Jesus from the dead!*

#### Not Resurrected in Same Body

Now notice carefully. God the Father did not cause Jesus Christ to get back into the body which had died.

Some seem to believe that it was only the *body* which died—that Jesus Christ never died—Christ was alive, and preached to "spirits in prison" during the three days and nights His BODY was dead. What they believe is that a BODY Christ lived in died, But CHRIST HIMSELF never died, Christ was God, and, they argue, God could not die!

If they are right, they are lost and doomed to eternal punishment! *If Christ* did not die for their sins—if it was only a mortal *body* which died—then we have no Saviour, and we are LOST.

What happened is that the Logos—the WORD—the Eternal—was MADE FLESH. He was converted into—CHANGED INTO *flesh*. Now He *was* FLESH AND BLOOD, exactly as you and I.

His *life* was in His blood, and He gave His LIFE by the fact His blood poured out while He was on the cross! He had taken on a HUMAN nature. He was God—but now God changed INTO flesh and blood—GOD WITH US—Emmanuel!

Yes, the Word was MADE FLESH, and He *WAS* flesh and blood, not just an immortal Spirit IN a body of flesh and blood.

We may argue that God is immortal and could not die. But the Scriptures reveal that GOD SO LOVED US that while we were yet sinners, The Eternal, the Logos, who was with God and who *was* God in the Second Person, permitted Himself voluntarily to be CHANGED INTO a flesh and blood MAN, until He BECAME a human who could and did DIE. But God the Father—God in the First Person—still reigned in High Heaven—and HE RAISED JESUS FROM THE DEAD—not from life.

It was CHRIST HIMSELF who was DEAD. He was REVIVED. Nowhere does the Scripture say He was alive and active, or that God had Him get back into the human BODY that had died and was now resurrected.

Jesus Christ was DEAD. He was as much "out" as a boxer knocked senseless—much *more*, for the boxer usually is not dead but only unconscious. Jesus was DEAD—but was REVIVED!

And the resurrected body was no longer human—it was the Christ resurrected IMMORTAL, once *again* CHANGED! As He had been changed, converted INTO mortal human flesh and blood subject to death, and for the PURPOSE of DYING FOR OUR SINS; now, by a RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD, HE WAS AGAIN CHANGED, CONVERTED, INTO IMMORTALITY—and He is alive forevermore! Now a LIVING Saviour, not a DEAD Saviour. He *was* dead—but only for three days and three nights.

#### Now, How About YOU?

Do you realize WHAT a tremendous price was paid that you might be released from the death-penalty of YOUR SINS? The very Eternal—the Spokesman of the Godhead, and very GOD Himself—permitted Himself to be changed into a mortal human—stepped down, descended to the human plane, suffered, was tempted, persecuted, despised, rejected of men, crucified!

If Jesus had been *only* human, His death could have paid the penalty for but *one* other human being who had incurred that penalty by transgression of God's spiritual law (Romans 6:23). Since God the Father created all things by Jesus Christ (Col. 1:16), and since all things, including man, were made by Jesus Christ, He is our Maker and therefore God; and His life which He gave was of *greater value* than the total of all human beings (John 1:1-3).

He died and for three days and nights WAS DEAD! He who was IN THE BEGINNING, and WAS GOD! He stooped to human level, submitted to DEATH—trusted the Father to restore Him to life! *That* is the PRICE paid for you and for me. He GAVE Himself for YOU—and in so doing bought and paid for you! And therefore, *you* BELONG TO HIM! Will *you* GIVE YOURSELF to Him?

That is the only way of salvation—the only way this GREATEST PRICE EVER PAID IN THE UNIVERSE FROM ETERNITY can save you, great as it was.

You must GIVE YOURSELF up! GIVE yourself, TO HIM! Give Him your life—yourSELF. Let HIM come into your mind and heart, thru His Spirit, and live HIS LIFE IN YOU!

It means full, complete, utter, unconditional SURRENDER. You are no longer  
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your own, you are HIS. Give your life to HIM, and see what great usefulness and accomplishment He will put it to! See what great joys will be yours as a result of the great GOOD He can and will do and thru you—IF you are His, wholly IN HIS POWER, wholly subjected to HIS WILL!

Yes, Jesus Christ died and was dead! But God the Father RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, and HE LIVES FOREVERMORE!

You are already dead in trespasses and sins unless, or until, you REPENT of sins, surrender to God, GIVE YOURSELF to the LIVING SAVIOUR who died for you, but was RAISED to become your High Priest and coming King! We have to DIE in order to LIVE. Give YOURSELF to Christ,

and He will give you ETERNAL LIFE!

"For this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this LIFE is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and He that hath not the Son hath not life!" (1 John 5:11-12.)

## Did ELIJAH Go to HEAVEN?

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people are those relative to the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the Mount of Transfiguration with Jesus. The record of the event is found in Matthew 17:1-9; Mark 9:2-10; Luke 9:28-36. Leaving the mountain, Jesus told his disciples: "Tell *the vision* to no man" (Mt. 17:9).

*A vision is not a reality* but a picture in the *mind* put there supernaturally, in this case, by God. Moses died, and was buried (Deut. 34:5-6). Both he and Elijah were still dead in their graves, but *in vision* both they and Jesus were seen in the glory of the resurrection—an event to which Moses and Elijah have not yet attained (Heb. 11:39). *The vision* was granted the disciples after Jesus had spoken of the glory of immortality in the coming kingdom.

After all these Scriptures have been studied, what is the conclusion? That Elijah is dead in the dust of the earth awaiting, as are all the holy men of old, the resurrection of the just. Elijah, some years after being removed in the whirlwind, went to the grave, but he will rise again, this time to live forevermore.

## Coming next issue— "Where Is Enoch?"

## Prophesied to HAPPEN

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HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" (Rev. 17:5).

This is the "daughter of the Chaldeans." She is pictured as a fallen woman associated with the *military phase* of "Babylon" (verses 8-14). The militaristic kings with whom she is associated "shall make war with the Lamb [Christ], and the Lamb shall overcome them" (Rev. 17:14 and 19:19). They therefore exist at the second coming of Jesus Christ. It is He who delivers Israel—America and Britain—from "Babylon's" yoke of bondage, by conquering this *modern Babylon*.

Where is this modern Babylon today?

### A United States of EUROPE!

Almost all Bible scholars, whether Protestant or Catholic, recognize that the military phase—the "beast" upon which the woman rides (Rev. 17:7)—is the *Roman Empire*. Its final phase, to appear in our day, will merely be a RESTORATION OF THAT ANCIENT ROMAN EMPIRE—a UNITED STATES OF EUROPE which we are beginning to foster within the confines of the ancient Roman Empire! We are building the Frankenstein Monster that is destined to destroy us!

But who is the great fallen woman—the "Great Whore" which God is about to judge. She sits upon—rules over—many "waters." These symbolic "waters" are explained in verse 15 as representing many different nations speaking different languages.

Her fornication has consisted of an illicit union with the political kings and emperors of this world (verse 2). In Ephesians 5 and II Corinthians 11, it is revealed that a "woman" is symbolically used to signify a CHURCH. Also in the twelfth chapter of Revelation you will read of the true Church of God pictured as a woman. The true Church of God is scripturally the affianced bride of Christ ready to be married or united with Him in a union of Church and State to rule the earth at His second coming!

But this great *false* church—Babylon the Great—is a fornicatress because she has made such a union with the kings of *this world prior* to the marriage with Christ. This woman—this *false* Church—will lend her vast power to FORM A UNITED STATES OF EUROPE—to restore the ancient Babylonish ROMAN EMPIRE by a union of Church and State.

This fascist union of church and state will beat communist Russia to the punch—this is the power that is destined to destroy us!

God says so!

### A Prophecy for Our Time

Whole books of the Bible are devoted to these momentous, world-shaking prophecies about the DOOM of America, the British Commonwealth and the democracies of Northwestern Europe. It is time we looked into the Bible to see what it *really* says for us *today*.

Now turn to the little-understood book of Ezekiel.

The prophet Ezekiel began to write nearly 130 years AFTER the captivity of ancient Israel. His prophecy begins in "the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity"—about 591 B.C. (Ezek. 1:2).

Ezekiel lived among the Jewish captives in Babylonia. But Ezekiel's message is *for Israel*. Notice it:

"Moreover He [God] said unto me, Son of man . . . go speak unto the *house of Israel*. . . . And He said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the *house of Israel*, and speak with my words unto them" (Ezek. 3:1, 4).

This was not a message for the Jews of that time. It is a message for the House of Israel—Britain and America today. Ezekiel was already among the captive Jews, but God told him to GO to the House of Israel. Actually, Ezekiel did not deliver that message in person to the House of Israel. He wrote it down in the presence of the Jews who preserved it over the centuries for us *today*—that Ezekiel's message from God would be *finally* delivered to the House of Israel *during the very generation for which the prophecy is intended!*

Now, here is the astounding prophecy: "A THIRD PART of thee shall die with the *pestilence*, and with *famine* shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and A THIRD PART shall fall by the sword round about thee"—the sword of a foreign invasion by a united fascist Europe—"and I will scatter A THIRD PART into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them" (Ezek. 5:12).

What a national calamity!—TWO THIRDS of our people perishing!—and the remainder brutally enslaved.

What needless disaster, if we would only wake up and change our foolish ways and turn to our God in humble OBEDIENCE!

Notice the prophecy as it continues to unfold what is PROPHESIED TO HAPPEN:

"In all your dwelling places the CITIES SHALL BE LAID WASTE . . . that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your *works* ABOLISHED"—yes, our great public and private WORKS totally ruined. "And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I am the Lord" (Ezek. 6:6-7).

Because of our sins—our *idolatry*, our *crimes*, our wreckless and wanton *waste of natural resources*—God will deliver us to the wrath of those nations that hate us. Our cities will be LAID WASTE.

Then those who laugh and scoff—those who don't want to change their ways—will know that God is the LORD, the MASTER of world affairs, the Eternal ruler over all nations.

When this terrible calamity falls upon us, "all hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water. They shall also gird themselves with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame shall be upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads"—atomic radiation causes the hair to fall out in patches. "They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver

and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the Eternal: they shall *not* satisfy their souls"—hunger stalks them—"neither fill their bowels" (Ezek. 7:17-19).

### God Holds Preachers Responsible

The responsibility for the increase in our sins God lays at the feet of the preachers of this land. They are the ones who should be *warning* the people. This they refuse to do!

Here is the divine *warning* against our people because we have hired preachers to please our lusts instead of correcting us:

"For the House of Israel and the House of Judah have dealt very treacherously against me . . . and said, neither shall evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine: and the prophets shall become wind, and the word is *not* in them"—that is exactly what the people are saying today about the words of God's prophets as recorded in His Scripture. But God's word *is* in the prophets. The prophecies will be fulfilled!

"Wherefore thus saith the Eternal God . . . Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O House of Israel . . . it is a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation. . . . And they shall eat up thine harvest, and thy bread, which thy sons and daughters should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees: they shall impoverish thy fenced"—or defended—"cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword" (Jer. 5:11-17).

Jeremiah's prophecy is for the House of Israel *America and Britain today*. Such a captivity of Israel has never occurred since he wrote it. It is still for the future—*the immediate future*. The only previous captivity of Israel occurred over a century before Jeremiah wrote. His prophecy, therefore, is a MESSAGE FOR NOW! But this, the preachers deny.

And no wonder, for God inspired Jeremiah to write: "A horrible thing, an appalling, has happened in the land: the prophets prophesy falsely"—the popular ministers who pretend to foretell the future do NOT know what is really going to happen—"the priests rule at their beck and call, and MY PEOPLE LOVE TO HAVE IT SO! But what will you do, at the end of it all?" says the Almighty in Jer. 5:30-31, Moffatt Trans.

Because of this failure of the churches to warn the people, God declares: "And their houses shall be turned unto others, with their fields and wives together: For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them everyone is given to COVETOUSNESS: *and from the prophet even unto the priest everyone dealeth falsely.*" The ministers have said: "Peace, Peace"—when there is no peace! (Jer. 6:12-14).

### Christ the Deliverer

Notice, now, how our people are to be rescued from their slavery:

"For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Eternal of hosts, that I will BREAK HIS YOKE FROM OFF THY NECK, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him. But they shall serve the Eternal their God, and DAVID THEIR KING, WHOM I WILL RAISE UP unto them" (Jer. 30:8-9).

It is the time of the second coming of Christ, and of the resurrection of the dead. David will be raised from his grave to rule over the kingdom of Israel under Jesus Christ.

None of this prophecy has yet been fulfilled. It therefore is a prophecy for this climactic "time of the end"—the end of the present age of human misrule and the beginning of the WORLD TOMORROW!

Also observe that when Jesus Christ returns our people will be in national captivity!

"I will save thee from afar and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob"—America and Britain today—"shall return, and be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid" (verse 10).

Now turn to Isaiah's prophecy. "For the Eternal will have mercy on Jacob"—out of *love* God punished us in order that we might be corrected, as any loving parent punished his children to teach them a lesson they will learn in no other way—"and will set them in their own land; and strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob. And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the Eternal for servants and handmaids: *and they shall take them captive WHOSE CAPTIVES THEY WERE: and they shall rule over their oppressors*" (Isa. 14:1-2).

It is the very generation which was taken into captivity that will ultimately rule over their captors. This never happened to ancient Israel. The generation which was led into captivity at that time did *not* rule over their captors. They died in captivity. But in the *coming* captivity, the very ones who were slaves will be delivered and possess their oppressors in a land of peace.

### Israel NOT God's Favorite Nation

Many who understand our national identity adamantly REFUSE to recognize these prophecies FOR OUR DAY. They have developed the false idea that because we are Israel we are God's favorite nation. Nothing could be further from the truth!

Israel is a *chosen* nation—a nation

chosen FOR A JOB we have failed miserably to perform.

And because we have failed in our national responsibility—and have abused every gift that God bestowed upon us in accordance with His promise to Abraham, He is going to punish us out of LOVE. We are not going to be safe behind our national borders for long. God says that when Jesus Christ returns we will be in our "enemies lands"—not in our own! That is why Jesus Christ must gather His people Israel from the lands of their captivity.

Dozens of prophecies in the Bible make this absolutely PLAIN! Notice Isaiah 11:11, "And it shall come to pass in that day"—yet in the future—"that the Eternal shall set his hand *again* the SECOND TIME to recover the remnant of his people"—the last generation in this 20th century. God recovered Israel the *first* time under Moses. Our people have *never* been regathered a second time into Palestine. This is a prophecy for our day!

Notice from what great Gentile power our people escape: "Go ye forth of BABYLON. . . ." Ancient Israel was *not* taken captive by Babylon, but by Assyria (II Kings 17:6). It was only Judah which ancient Babylon made captive. But here is a prophecy that the House of Israel—Britain, America and the democracies of Northwestern Europe—will be enslaved by Babylon, a coming fascist revival of the Roman Empire in Europe, a union of Church and State. Here is what our people shall say when they are regathered: "The Lord hath *redeemed* his servant *Jacob*" (Isa. 48:20). Yes, it is Jacob, the House of Israel, which is yet to be conquered by *modern* Babylon and once again to be delivered from slavery!

The prophet Ezekiel wrote of this same catastrophe to befall our people. "And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their *iniquity*: because they transgressed

against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the house of Israel. . . . When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their ENEMIES' LANDS . . . then shall they know that I am the Eternal their God, *which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen*: but I have gathered them unto their own land"—Palestine (Ezek. 39:23-28).

Our people are not in captivity among the nations today. Yet God inspired Ezekiel to write that we will be sent into captivity for our iniquity—our national sins and crimes. Here again is a prophecy for our day!

Notice what Jeremiah says about us: "For the Eternal hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the Eternal, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil . . . and they shall not sorrow any more at all. Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together. . . . Thus saith the Eternal; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Eternal; *and they shall come again from the land of the enemy*. And there is HOPE in thine end, saith the Eternal, that thy children shall come again to their own border"—a restoration of national power and prosperity (Jer. 31:11-17).

When once we have learned our lesson, and repented of our sin then God will make us the head of the nations for the thousand years. "And the Eternal shall make thee the *head*, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; IF that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Eternal; thy God which I command thee

this day to observe and to do them," said Moses under inspiration (Deut. 28:13).

What a glorious promise! We shall be the leaders of the world for the thousand years mentioned in Rev. 20:1-4. Instead of being selfish and covetous, taking from the Gentiles, we shall GIVE to the Gentiles and share the blessing of Abraham with them. Little wonder that they will love us then, though they hate us now for our great SINS.

### How YOU Can ESCAPE

Though our people will not heed the warning which God is sending, though they will blindly continue in their UN-REPENTANT attitude, in their rejection of the government and the laws of God, yet YOU as an individual can escape the terrible national calamity that is destined to strike our people. Jesus tells you how you can *escape* all the troubles that *shall come to pass*—all the famine, the pestilence, the atomic bombing, the slavery and the religious persecution. Here is what he says:

"WATCH ye therefore, and PRAY *always*, that ye may be accounted worthy to *escape* ALL *these things* that *shall come to pass*" (Luke 21:36).

Unless you *watch* world events, you will be ensnared in the impending calamities. "For as a snare shall it come on *all* them that dwell *on the face of the whole earth*" (verse 35)—it comes on all but the very elect who watch and pray constantly for God's guidance and help and forgiveness.

Yes, it is time to "seek the Eternal while He may be found" and "call upon Him while He is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Eternal, and He will have mercy upon him . . . for He will abundantly pardon" (Isa. 53:6-7).

NOW is the time to amend your ways, to repent of your defiance of the Almighty and of His laws—and He promises that you SHALL ESCAPE.

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