

the equivalent of insisting the United States give up all the New England states back to the British. Now I wonder who in their right mind in the United States would want to insist on that?

God has a plan for the tiny land of Israel. He is going to restore the dispersed Jewish people from all over the world back to the land. We are in this phase now. He then is going to lead them in the greatest revival of repentance the world has ever known (Zechariah 12:10). Then He will send Jesus Christ as their Messiah to be King of Kings and Lord of Lords to rule over the whole earth from Jerusalem, in the tiny land of Israel (Zechariah 14, Isaiah 2, and Micah 4). **This is the plan of God. No nation can interfere with this plan!**

Pressuring Israel to give up land that God has promised to Abraham, Isaac, then to the descendants of Jacob in the last days, only welcomes the wrath of God! God promises in **Joel 3:2** that He will retaliate against anyone who persecutes the Jewish people or **divides His Land**. This is especially true **concerning the United States** because of a Bible principle introduced to us by Jesus that says, "to whom much is given, much will be required" (Luke 12:48). God has already been warning the US concerning her involvement. The first year a U.S. Administration pressured Israel to give up her land in exchange for peace was 1991 and in that year, on the same day negotiations were taking place, the largest storm in Atlantic history brewed up and started heading for the east coast and dealt a devastating blow. A Hollywood movie, *The Perfect Storm*, was made attempting to depict the wrath of the storm. God has since been sending many natural disasters that directly correspond to meetings that the US orchestrated that were designed for Israel to give up "land for peace".

The current U.S. Administration has the worst track record yet in this regard! With support from the United Nations, the U.S. has just finished pressuring Israel to give up the Gaza Strip. Tropical storm Katrina was formed and upgraded to a hurricane just one day after the last Jewish family had to give up their home in Gaza. We now know the rest of the story. Now the U.S. is insisting that the West Bank and even compromises in Jerusalem must be made. These are all territories that Israel gained in the 1967 Six Day War. Believing that peace can be achieved by returning and vacating these lands is ludicrous, by the way! The Arabs attacked smaller Israel three times before Israel controlled the lands in question.

Ultimately, the "Road Map" will lead to Israel being isolated in the world, without any friends. Sooner or later, Israel will realize that she cannot afford, for security reasons, to give up land. When she refuses, will the refusal set up the great prophecy of all the world coming against her and the most serious war the world has ever seen? That war will be concluded by the greatest event in the history of mankind, the return of Jesus, the Messiah (see Zechariah 12 through 14). **We take no pleasure in seeing war, but the return of Jesus is a welcome future event!!!** We live in interesting days! **Maranatha! Come quickly Lord Jesus!**

Gary Fisher

Note: We have a book available that chronicles natural disasters that directly correspond with US policy to force Israel to give up her covenant land for the last 12 years. It is a fascinating book! If you are interested. It is called "Eye to Eye" by Bill Koenig, a White House news correspondent.

See the enclosed response form.

Current Events and Bible Prophecy

Names for Storms, Hurricanes Running Out -

Associated Press - Sep 22, 8:31 - Hurricane Alpha? Tropical Storm Epsilon? Before this year is out, TV forecasters and coastal residents may have to break out their Greek dictionaries if the Atlantic hurricane season keeps up its frantic pace...There are only four names left for tropical storms and hurricanes this year: Stan, Tammy, Vince and Wilma. After that, names switch to the 24 letters of the Greek alphabet: Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta and so on through Omega, if needed. That has never happened before in roughly 60 years of regularly named Atlantic storms. "If we get up into that league, we'll have issues larger than naming these storms," said Frank Lepore, spokesman for the National Hurricane Center in Miami... So far this season, there have been 17 named storms. Forecasters expect a total of 18 to 21 when the six-month season ends Nov. 30..

Comment: We don't pretend at Lion of Judah Ministry to know the mind of God, but it is our belief that if our country would stop putting political pressure on Israel to give her land away, these disasters would drop to a minimum. Speaking of Israel, Zechariah 2:8 says, *"After glory He has sent me against the nations which plunder you, for he who touches you, touches the apple of His eye"*. The nations would be well advised to stop sticking their finger in God's eye and leave Israel's land alone! There cannot be a plan by God to restore the land of Israel and another by man, to give it away! Our hearts are in support and sympathy for the victims in every case as we endure these unfortunate times!!!

More than 400 new immigrants set to take off from North America -

Ha'Aretz News - July 12, 2005 - More than 400 new immigrants will leave North America Tuesday night for Israel on two specially chartered El Al flights. These are the first of eight flights of immigrants due to leave North America before the end of this year.

Israel's Jewish population to outstrip U.S. by

2006 - Ha'Aretz News - July 12, 2005 - Israel will have the largest Jewish population in the world by 2006, when it will surpass the United States for the first time in history, the Jewish People Policy Planning Institute said Monday.

Comment: Big News! The Jewish people moving back to the Land of Israel is one of the **greatest signs** that Jesus is about to return! The return of the Jewish people to the land of Israel is prerequisite to His return (Zechariah 12, 13, & 14). They are returning just as promised. Jewish people leaving the comfort of the U.S. to return to Israel is a major development in this regard! God said they would return from the west (Isaiah 43:5). They are! **In spite of this issue being ignored by most of the churches, GOD IS AT WORK, folks! Jesus is coming soon!**

High Court Sides With Inmates on Religion -

Washington Post - May 31, 2005 - The Supreme Court on Tuesday upheld the constitutionality of a federal law requiring state prisons to accommodate inmate religions. Justices unanimously sided with Ohio inmates, including a witch and a Satanist, who had claimed they were denied access to religious literature, ceremonial items and time

to worship...The Ohio case is Cutter v. Wilkinson, 03-9877.

Comment: Unreal!!! The founding fathers did not want to support the right to worship Satan and demons. **Our judicial system has gone nuts!!! Thanks to the higher educational system for training them to be great thinkers.**

AIDS Pandemic Racing Faster Than Means to Stop It

- Reuters - June 2, 2005 - Money available to fight AIDS has soared to an all-time high of \$8 billion but the pandemic is racing faster than the means to stop it, especially among women and girls, says a report prepared for a high-level U.N. forum on Thursday. "AIDS unleashes a chain of events that threatens to cause entire societies to unravel," U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said in the report.

Comment: AIDS falls in the category of pestilence (incurable disease) which Jesus said would be part of the end-time "beginning of sorrows" (Matthew 24:7). It is interesting that this problem with AIDS is being proliferated through sexual promiscuity, another issue Jesus addressed in Matthew 24:12 when He said "iniquity shall abound".

Military releases Koran-abuse findings

- Washington Times - June 4, 2005 - An interrogator accidentally stepped on a prisoner's Koran, copies of Islam's holy text got wet when guards tossed water balloons into a cellblock, and one was "splashed" by urine, according to the final results of a Pentagon probe.

N.C. Judges Face Quran Question - CBS News - June 21, 2005 - North Carolina judges will be asked this week to decide if witnesses in state courtrooms can be sworn in on the Quran rather than a Bible. The move comes after Guilford County judges rejected the Greensboro Islamic center's offer last week to donate copies of the Muslim holy book.

Comment: What about the abuse Bibles and Christians have endured in Muslim countries? What about the slaughter of Christians in Sudan and other Muslim countries? What about Bibles or Christian churches not even allowed in Saudi Arabia, Islam's home-base, and elsewhere in the Muslim world? Why aren't Christians sworn in on Bibles in courtrooms in Muslim countries? Want to know where Islam is headed in the 21st century? Just take a look at Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran, and the break-away southern countries of Russia. **Wake up people!!**

New 'Sanhedrin' plans rebuilding of Temple

- World Net Daily - June 8, 2005 - The Israeli rabbinical council involved with reestablishing the Sanhedrin, is calling upon all groups involved in Temple Mount research to prepare detailed architectural plans for the reconstruction of the Jewish Holy Temple... The group, which calls itself the Sanhedrin, is calling on the Jewish people to contribute toward the acquisition of materials for the purpose of rebuilding the Temple - including the gathering and preparation of prefabricated, disassembled portions to be stored and ready for rapid assembly, "in the manner of King David."

Comment: There seemed to be no hope for the Jewish future after the Romans destroyed the Temple in 70 A.D. and scattered the Jewish people all over the world. Now, just the fact that the Sanhedrin has reemerged after sixteen centuries is a wonder in itself! In addition, talk by this Sanhedrin of a rebuilt Temple on the Temple Mount has particular interest for those who study Bible prophecy. Why? II Thessalonians 2:4 calls for a future individual that God calls "Antichrist" to seat himself in that Temple, declaring himself to be God. This will mark the beginning of a three and one half year period that Jesus called "The Great Tribulation" in Matthew 24:15. With plans to rebuild so close at hand, it is a logical to believe the day the Antichrist is revealed draws very close and the return of Jesus!

It is a good time to be right with the Lord!

George Bush says disengagement plan 'will be good for Israel'

- Reuters News - Aug. 11, 2005 - U.S. President George W. Bush says Israel's planned pullout from the Gaza Strip "will be good for Israel."...Bush reiterated the goal of a U.S.-backed road map peace plan to achieve the goal of a Palestinian state alongside Israel and its call on Palestinians to dismantle militant groups. "I think in the long run two states living side by side in peace is the ultimate solution for Israel's security," he said. "In the meantime we've got to work, you know, to dismantle terrorist organizations, and that's precisely what the road map calls for."

Comment: It is disappointing to see a popular U.S. President and his cabinet involved in such deception!!! If the Palestinians really want peace with the Jewish people, why do the Jewish residents of Gaza have to vacate their homes and leave? Why can't the Jewish people live in Palestinian-ruled Gaza if they so choose? If all parties involved really want peace, why does anybody have to leave??? Wake up America!!!

Qurei: Today Gaza, tomorrow Jerusalem

- Jerusalem Post - Aug. 4, 2005 - The Israeli withdrawal from the Gaza Strip and the northern West Bank is a step towards liberating Jerusalem, Palestinian Authority Prime Minister Ahmed Qurei declared on Thursday...Qurei said the departure of Israel from the Gaza Strip and northern West Bank will bring the Palestinians closer to Jerusalem.

Comment: Notice the special focus on Jerusalem. The Bible says that Israel will be isolated in the end-times with all nations against them and Jerusalem the scene of the final battle (Zechariah 14). We are drawing very close to that day! Jerusalem is becoming more and more the focal point just as the Bible said it would be.

Rice to Push For Additional Israeli Concessions

- Sep 10, '05 - IsraelNN.com - Speaking at a Washington press conference, US Secretary of State Dr. Condoleezza Rice told reporters that the momentum created by Israel's implementation of the disengagement plan must not be lost, adding there is much to be done in the region. Rice has announced on numerous occasions of late that the Bush administration expects additional Israeli land concessions to the Palestinian Authority (PA) throughout Judea and Samaria following the withdrawal from Gaza and northern Samaria areas.

Comment: Again, there cannot be a plan of God to restore Jewish people to the land of Israel and a plan of man to remove them!

United Church of Christ Backs Gay Marriage

- Associated Press - July 4, 2005 - The United Church of Christ's rule-making body voted overwhelmingly Monday to approve a resolution endorsing same-sex marriage, making it the largest Christian denomination to do so. The vote is not binding on individual churches, but could cause some congregations to leave the fold. Roughly 80 percent of the representatives on the church's 884-member General Synod voted to approve the resolution Monday, a day after a smaller committee recommended it.

Spain's Parliament Legalizes Gay Marriage

- Associated Press - June 30, 2005 - Parliament legalized gay marriage Thursday, defying conservatives and clergy who opposed making traditionally Roman Catholic Spain the third country to allow same-sex unions nationwide. Jubilant gay activists blew kisses to lawmakers after the vote.

Canada Legalizes Gay Marriage

- Fox News - July 20, 2005 - Canada legalized gay marriage Wednesday, becoming

