



The Trumpeter

Ezek 33:3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

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God is Speaking to the USA!

Joel 3:2 warns retaliation for dividing His Land!

Condi pulls a Solomon: Split Jerusalem in 2 -

World Net Daily - August 31, 2008 - Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, completing a visit to the region today, **has been pressing Israel** to sign a document by the end of the year that would **divide Jerusalem** by offering the Palestinians a state in Israel's capital city as well as in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, according to top diplomatic sources involved in the talks.

Bush Prepares for Hurricane Gustav - Fox News

- August 31, 2008 - President Bush, faced with the prospect of a second monster hurricane striking the still-battered Gulf Coast on his watch, checked in with governors and federal officials Saturday to make sure Washington was doing all it can...The president called state leaders in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas in the early morning ...Those states are in the potential path of the hurricane, which has been cutting a deadly route through the Caribbean and picked up even more power Saturday, probably en route to a terrifying Category 5 designation.

U.S. to 'guarantee' Palestinian state - Letter intended to bind Israel, PA, next administration in Washington

- World Net Daily - September 11, 2008 - The U.S. is planning to issue a letter guaranteeing the country will back agreements reached during current Israeli-Palestinian negotiations aimed at creating a Palestinian state before President Bush leaves office in January...The move is intended to ensure any agreements reached by the Israelis and the Palestinian Authority, and spelled out in a joint document, will be recognized by the next U.S. administration and binding for Israel and the PA. The information comes as Jacob Wallis, the U.S. consul-general, stated in an interview with a major Palestinian newspaper yesterday that Israel and the PA agreed to negotiate Jerusalem and the Jordan Valley area leading to the Dead Sea.

Ike Ravages Texas Coast With Lower-Than-Expected Storm Surge, Cutting Off Power to Millions

- Foxnews.com - September 13, 2008 - Howling ashore with 110 mph winds, Ike ravaged the Texas coast Saturday, flooding thousands of homes and businesses, shattering windows in Houston's skyscrapers and knocking out power to millions of people.

June 2008 Midwest floods - Wikipedia

- The June 2008 Midwestern United States floods were flooding events which affected portions of the Midwest United States. After months of heavy precipitation a number of rivers overflowed their banks for several weeks at a time and broke through levees at numerous locations. Flooding continued into July. States affected by the flooding included Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

Treasury, Congress ramp up bank bailout talks

- Reuters - September 21, 2008 - The Bush administration and Congress on Sunday ramped up talks on an unprecedented \$700 billion bank bailout as they battled the clock to prevent further financial market turmoil that risks hurtling the economy into a deep and damaging recession. The plan for the largest-ever bank rescue would give sweeping powers to the U.S. Treasury to buy up toxic mortgage-related debt from financial firms, including U.S. subsidiaries of foreign banks.

Comment: God gives a general warning to those who claim to know Him but not living for Him about sending floods, famine, and trouble in general in Amos 4. **The United States has definitely been experiencing these troubles in general!** Unfortunately, in spite of all the warnings so far (floods, fires, hurricanes, and the like), there are few who would associate these natural disasters with the way our country is treating God. Additionally, **God has specifically warned long ago in Joel 3:2, against those who would divide His Land.** The policy of influencing Israel to give up her land and even divide Jerusalem in the interest of making so-called peace has mainly been spearheaded by the United States since 1991, but has been unprecedented recently in the Bush Administration, even to the point of asking Israel to divide Jerusalem! In this author's opinion, the politics of forcing Israel to cede land to her enemies is a dangerous policy! It has pushed the issue over the edge with God and has caused the Lord to make good on His promise in Joel 3:2 to retaliate against those who "divide My Land". God is speaking today to the USA and He is saying,

"USA, -- get your hands off of MY LAND"!

"The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

Revelation 5:5

Lightning sets 800 fires in California - Associated Press - June 24, 2008 - In less than a day, an electrical storm unleashed nearly 8,000 lightning strikes that set more than 800 wildfires across Northern California, a rare example of "dry lightning" that brought little or no rain but plenty of sparks to the state's parched forests and grasslands. The weekend storm was unusual not only because it generated so many lightning strikes over a large geographical area but because it struck so early in the season and moved in from the Pacific Ocean. Such storms usually don't arrive until late July or August and typically form southeast of California.

'Extraordinary' number of fires forces California firefighters to pick their battles

- Associated Press - July 1, 2008 - Cool, damp weather returned Tuesday to the area around a huge wildfire close to Big Sur, one of hundreds of blazes firefighters have struggled to contain because of hot weather, rough terrain and lightning storms...This year is extraordinary for the number of active fires, Kirchner said. The weekend of June 21 had 1,200 fires; a number Forest Service officials said appeared to be an all-time record in California.

More than 1,400 fires burning in California

- KSBY.com - June 30, 2008 - More than 1,400 fires scorch a path of destruction across the state. One of the biggest of those fires is burning in Monterey County near the town of Big Sur. Here is the latest on the Basin Complex Fire: More than 35,000 acres have burned since the fire began June 21. Fire crews say it's only 3 percent contained. More than 1,000 firefighters are working to get it under control. 16 structures have been destroyed, more than a thousand others are still threatened.

Comment: All of these disasters were taking place in California as the State was announcing seemingly an all-out campaign to challenge traditional marriage, to make it legal for homosexuals to marry in the State. It was God who established traditional marriage between man and woman in the book of Genesis (see Genesis 2:18-25).

Saudis to Christians: Get out! - World Net Daily - August 12, 2008 - More than a dozen Christians in Saudi Arabia who were accused by government officials of worshipping in their homes have been ordered deported...The report from the Washington-based human rights group said 15 Christians will be deported. Sixteen had been arrested April 25 when a dozen Saudi Arabian police officers raided a home during a prayer meeting. "The first officer to enter the house after breaking down the main gate pointed a pistol at the Christians and ordered them to hand over their resident permits and mobile phones," the report said. "The other 11 police followed quickly and started searching the entire house. They confiscated an electronic drum set, an offering box with 500 Saudi Riyal in it (\$130), 20 Bibles, and a few Christian books."

Comment: We have heard much about Allah and Jehovah being the same God of late. If this is true, why are Christians getting this treatment in Saudi Arabia, a Muslim State? II Thessalonians 2:11-12 make a case that in the end-times, truth would be not be received by many. It says, "...because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. For this reason, God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false..." Jehovah and Allah are not the same God and this news story stands as evidence.

Church of England Confirms Support for Women

Bishops - christianpost.com - July 8, 2008 - After lengthy debate, the Church of England's General Synod voted on Monday to confirm its support for the ordination of women as bishops without offering much in the way of safeguards for objectors. The Synod had already agreed to the ordination of women bishops in principle but was voting on Monday night...

Comment: The following is what the Bible says about the selecting of Bishops: *"It is a trustworthy statement: if any man aspires to the office of overseer (bishop), it is a fine work he desires to do. An overseer (bishop), then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not addicted to wine or pugnacious, but gentle, peaceable, free from the love of money. He must be one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity, but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?, and not a new convert, so that he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil. And he must have a good reputation with those outside the church, so that he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil."* (1 Tim 3:1-7). One would get the impression that Bishops are supposed to be masculine, at least, from the Bible's perspective. I guess this doesn't mean much to the Church of England.

Texas school district to let teachers carry guns

- Reuters News Service - August 15, 2008 - A Texas school district will let teachers bring guns to class this fall, the district's superintendent said on Friday, in what experts said appeared to be a first in the United States...Teachers who wish to bring guns will have to be certified to carry a concealed handgun in Texas and get crisis training and permission from school officials.

Comment: Incredible that it has come to this! The Bible declares that in the last days violence and "lawlessness" will increase (Matthew 24:12). Amazing that school teachers have to defend themselves at school!

Top Russian general names Israel as Georgian arms supplier

- Jerusalem Post - Aug 19, 2008 - Russian Deputy Chief of General Staff Col.-Gen. Anatoly Nogovitsyn accused Israel in a Moscow press conference on Tuesday of arming the Georgian military with mines, explosive charges, special explosives for clearing minefields and eight kinds of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV). "In 2007, Israeli experts trained Georgian commandos in Georgia and there were plans to supply heavy weaponry, electronic weapons, tanks and other arms at a later date, but the deal didn't work out," Nogovitsyn said.

Comment: The Russian bear is flexing her muscles. Interesting that this story indicates new hostility between Russia and Israel! Since Russia is predicted by Ezekiel 2500 years ago to militarily come against Israel in the last days (see Ezekiel 38 & 39).

South African Olim Arriving in First-Ever Group Flight

- israelnationalnews.com - July 21, '08 - Ninety-six South African are scheduled to land in Israel Monday night, the first time a group of new olim, (immigrants to Israel) has been organized from the country by the Jewish Agency. Their arrival precedes by several hours a North American flight of 210 new olim.

Comment: God keeps bringing the children of Israel home as He promised He would in the last days (see Isaiah 11:12, and Isaiah 43:6).

1st time: Entire 'Lost tribe of Israel' allowed 'home'

World Net Daily - August 23, 2008 - After years of diplomatic wrangling, the Israeli government has given permission to a community of Indian citizens who believe they are one of the "lost tribes" of Israel to move legally to the Jewish state. This decision, first reported in Israel's Maariv newspaper, clears the way for the arrival here of 7,232 members of the Bnei Menashe. They believe they are the descendants of Manasseh, one of the biblical patriarch Joseph's two sons and a grandson of Jacob...According to Bnei Menashe oral tradition, the tribe was exiled from Israel and pushed to the east, eventually settling in the border regions of China and India where most remain today. Most kept customs similar to Jewish tradition, including observing Shabbat, keeping the laws of Kosher, practicing circumcision on the eighth day of a baby boy's life and observing laws of family purity.

Comment: As this article suggests, there are no "lost tribes of Israel". Man may not have known for twenty centuries where they all were, but God has!!! He said He would preserve them (Jeremiah 31:35-37) and then gather them back to Israel in the end times from the "ends of the earth" (Isaiah 43:6). He is! The gathering of the children of Israel back to the Land is something God said He would do in the last days to prove to the nations that He is God (Ezekiel 36:23). As of this writing, some 5.6 million have been gathered back to the Land of Israel and most of them since 1948. God is at work!

Temple Institute Tailors Kohanim's Garments

IsraelNationalNews.com - July 2, '08 - Since Monday, the Temple Institute in the Old City of Jerusalem has opened a workshop for the tailoring and production of the Priestly Garments to be used by Kohanim (priests) in the Temple service. Priestly garments have not been worn since the destruction of the Second Temple almost 2000 years ago. Each set has a turban, tunic pants and belt which must be individually tailored at a cost of NIS 2,500 per Kohen. At the inauguration ceremony on Monday, Efrat Chief Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, himself a Kohen, was measured for a set of the garments. The garments are the fruits of a worldwide search. Special flaxen thread from India and Turkish mountain worms for the correct shade of crimson are two examples of the necessary materials. "The Temple is not a message (to only) the Jewish people. It reunites the world all around one central prayer house... all the nations will be coming to Jerusalem" Temple Institute Director Rabbi Yehuda Glick said.

Comment: Huge News!!! The Bible anticipated a new Temple to be in operation in the last days. II Thessalonians 2:4 says that a future leader will "take his seat in the Temple of God" to display himself as God. According to Daniel 9:27, three and one half years later, Jesus will return to this earth to rule and reign as "King of Kings" and "Lord of Lords". There hasn't been a Temple for almost two thousand years since the Romans destroyed it in 70 A.D. and scattered the Jewish people all over the world. Now there are almost six million Jewish people living in the land of Israel and there is a zeal to restore Temple worship. The return of the Jewish people to the Land of Israel and putting a Temple in place are prerequisites to the Return of Jesus to this earth. His return is drawing very NEAR!!!

Famous Quote:

"About the time of the end, a body of men will be raised up who will turn their attention to the prophecies of the Bible, and insist on their literal interpretation in the midst of much clamor and opposition." Sir Isaac Newton (AD 1643 - 1727)

To college freshmen, GPS has always been there

- Associated Press - August 19, 2008 - Students entering college this fall have lived their whole lives in a digital world where GPS has always been available, phones have always had caller ID and tax returns could always be filed online...their cultural markers are all but unknown to them IBM typewriters, Roseanne Barr's tortured version of the National Anthem, Pee-wee Herman's "Playhouse" and gas-station attendants who fix flat tires or offer to check under the hood.

Comment: The rate at which technology is moving is astounding!!! No surprise however. Daniel 12:4 states that knowledge will increase in "the time of the end". This is exactly what we all are observing.

G7 nations welcome U.S. bank bailout

Reuters - Sep 22, 2008 - Group of Seven nations welcomed the \$700 billion U.S. markets bailout plan on Monday but there was no sign that other governments saw any need to follow Washington in setting up rescue packages of their own...U.S. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson said on Sunday he was "aggressively" encouraging other countries to put in place similar schemes to the plan announced on Friday which sent global stock markets soaring. The world's big central banks have already joined in a coordinated move with the U.S. Federal Reserve to pump hundreds of billions of dollars in extra funding into markets to prevent the world financial system from seizing up in a credit freeze.

Comment: Amazing that the current economic crisis we are facing brings us to consider a global solution! According to Revelation 13, we are going to have a system in the future that will be global in scope. A leader from Europe that God calls "Antichrist", will cause all to receive a mark, or they cannot participate (see Revelation 13:16-17). With this present crisis bringing the world's big banks to cooperate, the world banking system is becoming more believable.

Britain Takes Up Islamic Law

Foxnews.com - September 15, 2008 - Islamic law has been officially adopted in Britain, with sharia courts given powers to rule on Muslim civil cases. The government has quietly sanctioned the powers for sharia judges to rule on cases ranging from divorce and financial disputes to those involving domestic violence. Rulings issued by a network of five sharia courts are enforceable with the full power of the judicial system, through county courts or the country's High Court, a part of its Supreme Court system.

Comment: This is a product of the deception that Jesus and Paul prophesied for the end times!!! Jesus predicted that the deception He spoke of would sweep the earth before His return and be so powerful that *"if possible, even the elect would be deceived"* (Matthew 24:24). Paul, writing on the same subject, said this, *"because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false..." (2 Thess 2:10-11)*. The deception, in spite of all the evidence otherwise, is that Islamic law can peacefully coexist alongside any law for long.

Presbyterian Assembly votes to drop homosexual clergy ban

AP - 6/28/2008 - The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)...set up another confrontation Friday over its ban on ordaining non-celibate gays and lesbians. The denomination's General Assembly...voted 54 percent to 46 percent Friday to drop the requirement...

Comment: Jesus predicted days just as it was in the days of Lot in Luke 17: 28-30. We are approaching those days rapidly!

Does Maya Calendar Predict 2012 Apocalypse?

USA Today - With humanity coming up fast on 2012, publishers are helping readers gear up and count down to this mysterious — some even call it apocalyptic — date that ancient Mayan societies were anticipating thousands of years ago. Since November, at least three new books on 2012 have arrived in mainstream bookstores. A fourth is due this fall. Each arrives in the wake of the 2006 success of 2012: The Return of Quetzalcoatl, which has been selling thousands of copies a month since its release in May and counts more than 40,000 in print. The books also build on popular interest in the Maya, fueled in part by Mel Gibson's December 2006 film about Mayan civilization, Apocalypto. Authors disagree about what humankind should expect on Dec. 21, 2012, when the Maya's "Long Count" calendar marks the end of a 5,126-year era.

Comment: There is a lot of buzz about this subject on the Internet and there have been a good number of people asking me about it at conferences and through email. My response is always the same. **Why would anyone interested in the subject of end times be more concerned with whatever the Mayans believed than the proven prophets of God?** Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Zechariah and others wrote extensively about the end times. They have spelled out fairly clearly how the end times would play out. None of God's prophets have ever been discredited because they prophesied falsely. Their credibility is "over the top" on the issue. Yet, many people prefer to pay attention to other sources. In this case, the Mayan calendar.

What is significant here is the fact that the Mayan calendar simply ends at 2012. The subject is left hopelessly to speculation from that point. Unlike hopeless speculations, God's prophets gave us the full picture. Thanks to them, the future is very clear:

- 1.) Israel would be scattered from their land.
- 2.) The Church would be founded and operate in the interim.
- 2.) After many years, the Jewish people would return.
- 3.) Israel would be reestablished and rebuilt as a nation
- 4.) Israel would have to fight for their lives.
- 5.) All nations would eventually come against Israel.
- 6.) The Lord would fight against those nations at His return.
- 7.) The Lord would set up His Kingdom in Israel for 1,000 years.
- 8.) God would then bring New Jerusalem down and dwell among man forever. (See Ezekiel 33-48 and Revelation 19-22)

*"Remember the former things long past, For I am
God, and there is no other; I am God,
and there is no one like Me,
Declaring the end from the beginning,
And from ancient times things which have not been done,
Saying, 'My purpose will be established,
And I will accomplish all My good pleasure';
Calling a bird of prey from the east,
The man of My purpose from a far country.
Truly I have spoken; truly I will bring it to pass.
I have planned it, surely I will do it."*

Isa 46: 9-11



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- *Redemption Draweth Nigh Conference - First Baptist Church - Broussard, LA - August 15-16 - Contact Al Gist at - 337-725-6209
- *First Baptist Church - Broussard, LA - August 17 - 337-837-1125
- *Southland Christian Church Men's Retreat - Lexington, KY - September 25, 26, & 27 - Contact Lion of Judah office for details.
- *Erindale Alliance Church - Saskatoon, SK, Canada - October 17, 18, & 19

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