

Israel, Islam and The Vatican



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Questions We Will Answer

- Why did God reveal the future?
- What are the major prophecies concerning Israel?
- Why do the world's two largest religions have a history of anti-Semitism?
- What might their role be in the events leading up to Armageddon?
- What are we to do with this information?



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Why Did God Reveal the Future?

He said "...so that you may know and believe Me and understand that I am He. Before me no god was formed, nor will there be one after me. I, even I, am the Lord, and apart from me there is no savior. It is I who have declared and saved and proclaimed" (Isaiah 43:10-12).



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Our Sovereign God is glorified as He fulfills prophecy



- There is no one like God who declares the end from the beginning
- His purpose is established and He will accomplish it all
- He has spoken and will bring it to pass.
- He has planned it and surely He will do it (Is. 46:9-11)

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God's Plan

Israel has been on God's prophetic track for 4000 years



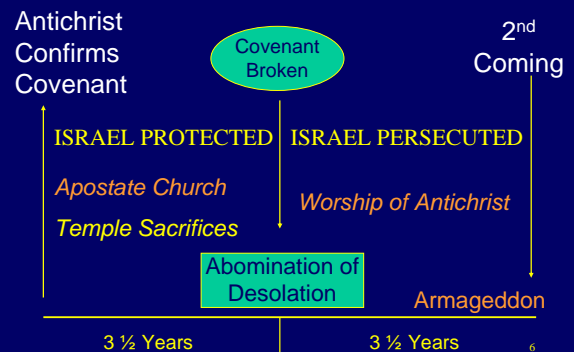
Satan's Plan

An anti-Semitic political religious system has been on another track



Jesus appears when these two tracks merge

Tribulation Period



What is Armageddon?

Demonic spirits will go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them together to the place which in Hebrew is called HarMagedon for the war of the great day of Almighty God.
(Rev. 16:14,16)



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Jesus said, "The sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, the stars will fall from the sky and the Son of Man will appear in the sky" (Mat. 24:29-30)

God's Prophetic Track for Israel

- The Lord will scatter you among all nations to the ends of the earth.
- You will find no resting place. The Lord will give you an anxious mind, weary eyes and a despairing heart.
- You will live in constant suspense, filled with dread both night and day, never sure of your life, terror will fill your hearts from the sights you will see. (Deut 28:64-67)

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Part of the Curse's Fulfillment

- Hitler nearly destroyed the Jewish race by putting 6,000,000 Jews to death, but when the remnant were weak and weary and not sure of their life...
- God displayed His sovereign power with His promised blessing!



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God's Promise to the Jews

When they are in the land of their enemies, I will not reject them or...destroy them completely, breaking my covenant with them. I am the Lord their God. For their sake I will remember the covenant with their ancestors whom I brought out of Egypt.
(Lev. 26:44-45)



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The Jews' Prophetic Blessing

- This is what the Sovereign Lord says..."I will bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord...I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land."
(Eze. 37:12-14)



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God's Promise Is Fulfilled as Jews Return Home



90,000	in 1914
500,000	in 1948 (Israel's Sovereignty)
3,000,000	in 1988
5,000,000	in 1998
6,000,000	in 2006

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The Prophetic Curse of the Land



The whole land will be a burning waste of salt and sulfur-- nothing planted, nothing sprouting, no vegetation growing on it. It will be like the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah....All the nations will ask: "Why has the Lord done this to this land? Why this fierce, burning anger?" (Deut 29:23-24)

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The Land's Prophetic Blessing

All who pass through the land will say, "This land that was laid waste has become like the garden of Eden; the cities that were lying in ruins, desolate and destroyed, are now fortified and inhabited"... I the Lord have rebuilt what was destroyed and have replanted what was desolate. (Ezek. 36:33-36)



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Israel - The Disputed Land

PLO Charter - The liberation of Palestine is a duty for all Arab people and governments. It aims for the elimination of Zionism.

The PLO's struggle with the Zionist enemy is not about Israel's *borders* but about Israel's *existence*.



After signing the PLO Peace Accord with Prime Minister Rabin, Arafat said: "In the name of Allah, peace for us means the destruction of Israel." (El Mundo, 1980)

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The Lord said, "I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people." (Zech. 12:2)

- Jews believe their Torah is the title deed to the land that God gave to the descendents of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob for all time.
- Muslims believe that any land conquered for Allah must remain under Islamic control until judgment day.



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Jerusalem's Prophecies

The city will be trampled under foot by Gentiles (Luke 21:24)

- Romans and Byzantines until 638
- **Muslims, 638-1072**
- Crusaders, 1096-1291
- Ottoman Turks, 1516-1918
- Israel born-again, May 14, 1948
- Jerusalem under Jewish control, 1967
- Jerusalem capital of Israel again, 1980



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Islam

Israel's Greatest Adversary



- Formed out of Arab paganism, roots are traced to Abraham, Ishmael and Esau
- Allah was the greatest of its 360 gods
- Mohammed, the last prophet of Allah, abolished the other 359 gods
- Mohammed and the Qur'an galvanized Arabs into a conquering force in the 7th century
- Islam's Qur'an is said to be God's final, perfect, uncorrupted message to humanity

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Converting to Islam

- Simply declare: "There is no God but Allah and Mohammed is his messenger."
- Over 300,000 prisoners in U.S. have converted in the last 10 years.
- Best way to paradise: sacrifice your life for the spread of Islam



Islamic Center of America

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Islam in America

- Now over 1000 mosques.
- According to a 1997 U.S. State Dept. report "80% of all mosques and Muslim charitable organizations have been taken over by extremists."
- Mosques leaders in Albany, NY arrested on 19 counts relating to terrorism (8/10/04).



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Contrasting Gods

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| • Jehovah – the eternal triune God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob | • Allah – the moon god, one of many pagan gods selected by Mohammed |
| • Has a Son | • Has no son |
| • God sent His Son to die for His children | • Islam sends their sons to die for Allah |
| • Revealed in Bible | • Revealed in Qur'an |
| • Loves the Jews with an eternal covenant | • Hates the Jews, calls for their destruction |

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Islam's Agenda Is World Dominion

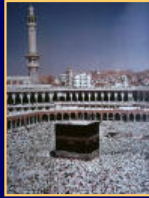
- 1.4 Billion Muslims are mandated to make Islam supreme.
- Islam is a socio-political-religious system with a mission to convert the world into an Islamic society governed by laws of Allah.
- Muslims are now the majority in more than 50 countries. Freedom of religion is forbidden by Islamic states.



Jihad Striving to Advance Islam

Most of the areas in the world that are controlled by Islam were conquered by the sword. When a country is conquered by Muslims, its inhabitants are offered three alternatives:

1. convert to Islam
2. pay a poll-tax for protection
3. die by the sword



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Does the Qur'an Promote Peace?

- Mohammed declared that Allah had commanded him to conquer all non-Muslims until all people had yielded to Islam.
- Slay the idolaters wherever you find them, take them captive and besiege them and lie in wait for them in every ambush. (9:5)
- Fight against those who...do not embrace the true Faith, until they ...are utterly subdued. (9:29)



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Muslim Fundamentalists

"They want to impose their way of life on the rest of us and in pursuit of this goal they are prepared to slaughter anyone who stands in their way." (7/24/04)



VP Dick Cheney

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Islamic Assaults on "Infidels"

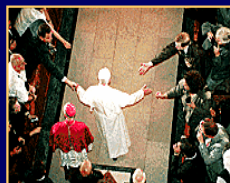
- 1983 Marine barracks in Beirut were blown up, killing 241 U.S. soldiers.
- 1988 Pan Am flight bombed, killing 270.
- 1993 first bombing of the WTC
- 1998 U.S. embassies bombed in Kenya & Tanzania, 200 dead and 4,000 injured.
- 2001 WTC reduced to rubble, 3,000 dead
- 2004 Madrid bombing kills 191 injures 1,500.
- 2004 School in Russia attacked, 344 dead.
- 2005 London Bombs kill 56, injures 700

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Roman Catholicism & Islam

"Dialogue between our two religions is more necessary than ever. There remains a spiritual bond which unites us and which we must strive to recognize and develop."

John Paul II - 1998



Note: Muslims are included in the Catholic plan of salvation.

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A Common Spiritual Bond

John Paul II declared to thousands of Muslims, "we have many things in common, we believe in the same God, the one and only God, the living God"



Pope John Paul II kissing the Qur'an with Raphael I, Patriarch of Babylon.

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Do Islam and Catholicism Have Enough in Common to Unite?

- History of persecuting the Jews
- Revelation from extra-biblical sources
- Pope says they worship same God
- Jesus not necessary for salvation
- Salvation must be merited
- Prayer beads and pilgrimages
- Great wealth and Influence
- Both seek world dominion



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A Peaceful Religion?



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Mary Is A Common Bond

- Mary is the only woman's name in the Koran (34 times) and a model to Muslims because of her perfect submission to the will of God.
- Apparitions of Mary have been calling for unity and peace through *her* sacred heart
- Islam's devotion to Mary is reflected in the pilgrimages Muslims take to her shrines.
- Mary is the model of dialogue between the two religions



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Apparitions of Mary



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The History of Anti-Semitism



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The Vatican and the PLO's Covenant Against Israel

"Jerusalem should be an international city and Israel's unilateral decisions over East Jerusalem are morally and legally unacceptable."
(2/15/00)



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Images of Antichrist's Revived Roman Empire



"In the new Europe the Christian faith might be the cement which unifies."
John Paul II



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Who is the Woman on the Beast in Revelation 17?

- She sits on many waters
 - Rules with authority over people of many nations
- She has committed fornication with Kings
 - Spiritual fornication symbolizes religious apostasy. She is the apostate bride of Christ, the church that departed from the apostolic faith.



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Who is The Great Harlot?

- She is full of blasphemous names – (Rev. 17:3)
 - The pope has taken the names reserved for God alone
 - The Catholic Mary has been exalted as the Mother of God, Mediatrix, and the cause of salvation
 - A Eucharistic wafer is said to become the Lord Jesus Christ



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What Does the Woman Wear?

She is clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold, precious stones and pearls (Rev. 17:4)



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What Is In The Woman's Hand?

A golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her [spiritual] fornication (Rev. 17:4)



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The Woman Is drunk with the blood of the saints and the martyrs of Jesus (Rev. 17:6)

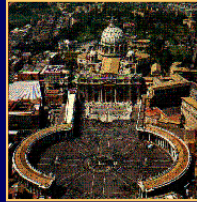
This false religious system has killed millions of saints who remained faithful to the Lord Jesus and who would not bow their knee to popes or idols.



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What is the City on Seven Hills?

- Rome is the city on 7 hills, and the headquarters of the church which has a well defined strategy to unite all people and all religions under its “infallible” pope
- The Vatican claims to be political and religious headquarters of God’s Kingdom on earth



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The Day of Our Lord is Coming

- The stage is set for the events that will follow the rapture.
- The armies of the world will gather at Armageddon in an attempt to destroy Israel
- Jesus Christ will return with the saints in great power and glory to save Israel
- Israel will have a final opportunity to trust Jesus as their promised Redeemer
- King Jesus will reign on earth for 1000 years.
- Antichrist and the false prophet will be thrown into the Lake of Fire

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How Shall We Respond?

- Will we live passionately for Jesus and be His light in an ever darkening world?
- Will we abide in His word, love the truth and hate what is false?
- Will we contend for the faith against false teachers, compromisers and apostates?
- Will we have an urgency to rescue people from God’s judgment by faithfully proclaiming His glorious Gospel?

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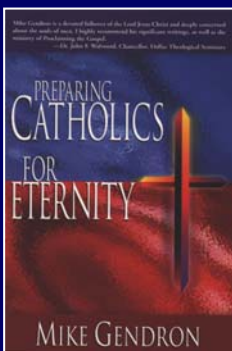
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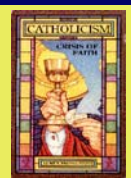
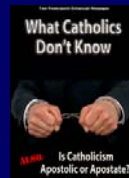


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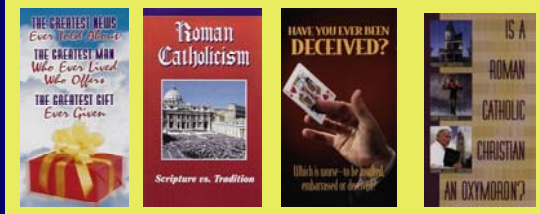
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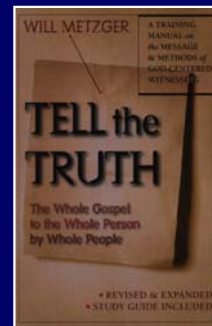


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A powerful defense of the Christian faith that is under attack.

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