



## Alone in a World of Enemies

by Mark Armstrong

Israel is alone in stepping up to fight those who work to annihilate the tiny nation. Oh sure, the U.S. is Israel's ally, but we are her only staunch ally. And even so, we back Israel diplomatically and help to supply her military. But what are we doing to quell the

worldwide terrorist threat to freedom? We toppled the regime of Saddam Hussein, but have been unable to eradicate the vicious terrorists in and around Baghdad. Our military there serves primarily as a security force in a vain attempt to keep the peace. You are well aware that an average of one hundred people per day are being

blown apart by car bombs, suicide bombers and all manner of booby traps. Some of them are Americans.

Following the attacks of September 11, four years ago, the Administration announced a "war on terror." War? What war? Iraq? Afghanistan? We in the United States are being treated like potential terrorists at our own public buildings and airports, while political correctness demands that those who actually represent a threat to the public get less scrutiny than our elderly grandmothers and little children. You heard about the incident at the airport in Houston, where a Middle Eastern man was found with elements associated with a bomb, including a clock, battery and hollowed out shoes, but was allowed to continue on and board his flight? Unbelievable.

Every nook and cranny of our society has been infiltrated with

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## GOALS BEHIND ATTACKS IN ISRAEL

by Dr. James and Natalie Ricks

Could it be that Hezbollah's attacks are primarily for public opinion purposes?

Surprised? Well consider this. It is extremely unlikely that the leaders of the Hezbollah terrorist group truly believe they can defeat the powerful Israeli war machine. If they can appear to have parity with, or in some serious way, hurt Israel, they believe that



their reputation, in much of the world, will be enhanced.

Does it not appear to you that even holding Israel's powerful war

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## Why is the Trinity the Cornerstone of Christianity?

by Michael Burkert

The doctrine of the trinity is not a controversial issue with MILLIONS of professing Christians. Ninety-five percent or better of all professing Christians take the trin-

ity as a matter of fact. It is a fact... isn't it? Or is it something else? How could literally MILLIONS of nominally Christian men and women around the globe be wrong? Are they wrong? Is the trinity *truly* the cornerstone on

which modern "Christianity" is built?

Most have no idea of where the idea of the Godhead, consisting of a "trinity," even comes from. They have no idea of the origin of this

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*Personal from Mark Armstrong:*

# Diplomacy

## Is it the **Solution** or is it the **Problem?**

Look at what has been wrought by thirty-five years of diplomacy! There is a raging fire in the Middle East, and all indications are that there is a very real likelihood that it may go out of control. Israel is, as usual, subjected to condemnation from numerous quarters, most notably from the United Nations and the Vatican. Only recently the U.S. had to veto a UN resolution condemning Israel for its “disproportionate” response to the recent onslaught of rocket attacks. At least we’ve maintained the backbone to exercise the veto option on the floor of that useless one-ring circus.

Of course there were warnings about the rockets. For months the Hamas and Hezbollah terrorist entities have publicly salivated over the prospect of “raining down rockets” over Israeli population centers, while Israel continued trying to navigate “the roadmap to peace,” vacating ever more territories for the future Palestinian



state. Is it not now obvious that the wheels have come completely off the peace process? Was it not already obvious that there can be no peace with a people who categorically reject the very concept of peace? Has it not been obvious all along?

Israeli civilians in Haifa (and elsewhere) are huddled in bomb shelters and “safe buildings” now that the terrorists have rockets capable of reaching them. If there’s any humor in this situation, it might be found in the fact that the rockets being fired, while potentially deadly, are relics of World War II and notoriously ineffective. Hitler reportedly scoffed at

the ineffectiveness of Russian katusha rockets, dubbing them “Stalin’s organ pipes.” Out of more than 100 fired over the past couple of days, only four or five have landed anywhere near their targets. The “diplomatic world” re-

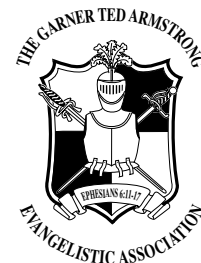
mains oblivious when Israeli civilians come under rocket fire, but goes up in arms when Israel takes action to curtail the barrage.

Where is UN condemnation of terrorist missile attacks? Where is the condemnation of Iran and Syria who’ve been instrumental in supplying the weapons and the funding for the

hoodlums firing them?

Historically, every time the situation devolves into war, political calculations trump reality on the ground and the diplomatic community howls for a halt to the war.

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# No Safe Place

## Where on Earth Can you Hide?

by Jim Josephsen

Just what on earth is going on lately? The ever-confused International Community has now focused attention on the Middle East. Whereas the United States and Great Britain, Israel's staunchest allies have been most accurate in putting the blame for the latest conflagration between Israel and Hezbollah where it belongs, the International Community's collective response has been harsh criticism of Israel. Israel stands firm in defending itself against the insurgence of the Hezbollah terrorist guerillas that have been appre-

ciably sponsored by Syria and Iran.

To the north and south of Israel, maniacal Islamic terrorists, Hamas and Hezbollah, push the Middle East ever closer to all-out war and with that, a drastic change in life for all dwellers on earth. One thing is clear; democracy will never work for a modern day Bedouin-minded people acculturated by centuries of fundamentalism, self-directed narcissism, guided by a religious leader as corrupt and militant as they come.

To understand the outcome of the misery in the Middle East, consider what Jesus Christ spoke.

"When you see Jerusalem surrounded with armies, then know that the end is near." The end of *what* you may ask.

Those familiar with the Bible understand we are talking about the end of the world and society, as we know it. This may make a catchy tune by a popular rock group of the early 90s but the reality is certain. Christ continued by saying that except those days be shortened there should be no flesh saved (alive). Dire consequences result from the coming war that will bring the entire world to its knees. That war will commence in

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# THE ANATOMY OF PESTILENCE

by T.S. Wendt

*AIDS, SARS, West Nile Virus, Ebola, Alzheimer's Disease, Mad-Cow Disease* and now *Bird Flu* are just some of the names of emerging diseases being reported in our media of recent times. Medical researchers are absolutely reeling from one puzzling new disease after another. Equally alarming is the resurgence of drug-resistant strains of older maladies (such as staph [MRSA] and strep infections, tuberculosis, diphtheria, cholera and many others), which were thought to have been previously controlled. The fact of the matter is, we're in a period of time, right now, when human activities are not only helping to propagate these and other illnesses, but also aiding in the development of more

virulent and complex strains of both emerging and age-old pathogens. Unfortunately, and much to the chagrin of medical communities, it's all occurring at an unparalleled magnitude. Cryptic names like flesh-eating bug, anthrax, ecoli, spongiform encephalopathy, monkey pox, Marburg and Machupo Fevers, just to name a few. The focus here is on a few that have the world's health organizations full and undivided *attention* (or is "*anxiety*" more appropriate?)!

**AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome:  
The worst plague of all...so far!**

Consider the facts; last year alone (2005) an estimated 3.1 million people died from AIDS...

roughly six deaths for every single minute of the year. Currently, there's an estimated 40.3 million people infected with AIDS worldwide, with 4.1 million of those being new infections acquired during the past year. Those already dead from AIDS have left the world 15 million "AIDS orphans" to feed, clothe and shelter. Many of these children are themselves HIV positive by inheritance.

In the worst hit part of the world, the sub-Saharan region of Africa, 60 percent of those infected are women and many mothers are passing the AIDS-virus onto their children. In this region alone resides 24.5 million of the world's HIV infections and nine million of those 15 million "AIDS orphans" live there as well. In an

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the Middle East. Is this the start?

The Middle East is the focus, for now. Yet, while off camera, the following realities exist as other hot spots on this earth threaten. North Korea's Kim Jong-il still pushes forward to perfect his nation's nuclear arsenal. With America's forces stymied in Iraq and poised to aid Israel, and an American population decrying *any* war, the North Korean concern pushes Japan to the inevitable - rearming a domestic standing army for a possible first strike advance. Talks are already underway. Iran of course advances toward nuclear capabilities under the lunacy of Ahmadinejah and a populace rabid in destroying all infidels, beginning with the Jews and soon thereafter, Americans. Militant Islam sure knows how to isolate itself from the world. But who is taking a stance against them?

While the world convulses in the threats of catastrophic global war, an absurd reaction is common in the United States - *mindless ignorance!* With all the problems raging *over there*, on that side of the world, the vast majority of Americans are busily pursuing their fairytale lifestyle. Why, no evil shall fall upon *us!*

American business chugs along, as more jobs are migrating overseas. The national debt continues to grow as the one-way world economy continues to prosper nations like India and China while sinking the United States deeper in debt. Of course, the Federal

Reserve softens the American Economy at each chance it gets. Credit card debt mounts as personal IRAs and savings decrease daily. The sinking economy is oppressing the poor and is poised to devastate the middle class next.

The average American, especially the younger generation, probably could not tell you where in the world Iran is, what nation Kim Jong-il leads, or why the United States supports Israel. With what rages on *out there*, we have so soon forgotten that the



enemy is now on our soil. Yet, it seems Americans are only concerned with the frustration they feel over ever-inflating fuel prices or spongy stock markets; while voyeurism, sexual freedoms, self-indulgence and the latest reality show *pollutes* their minds. While the world is on the brink of destruction, Americans continue their godless behavior. Just witness recently in Chicago, playful prancing adults participated in the Gay Games. Naively, many Americans think life will go on as usual once the politicians correct those weird people *over there*, once our new President and Administration take office.

The world is edging closer toward end-time scenarios, all the while religion across the globe is

steadily becoming a mockery. Of course, most religious institutions would serve the world well if they were eliminated from the world scene even now, but in time Christ will take care of that.

In America, look at what passes for religion! Every Sunday Christians gather at the mega church, the local church, the rented hall, to bask in the glory of their god and the fantasy realm of self-help, feel good happy Jesus hour. Most ministers teach the smooth things of the Lord, ignoring the sin and putrefying perversions, which are destroying the lives of Americans. Ministers are afraid to preach from the Word of God. The people are taught to disobey the Laws of God. The truth of God is rejected. God's Word has plenty to say about the future events that will affect not only the world and the Middle East

but also America, Great Britain and Israel. Still American Christianity refuses to preach or is simply ignorant of the warning message.

Problems in the world are ever increasing. Most Christians believe they have an escape clause. Called the rapture by some or a safe place by others, many Christians today think when catastrophe comes, when tribulation is evident, God will send them away from the mess. *Nothing is further from the truth.* The Word of God teaches no such rapture; it promotes no safe place on the earth to shelter you when the war of wars commences, when the brother nations of Israel fall into the Great Tribulation and the Day of the Lord is manifest. On this planet earth, there will be

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other part of Africa, just southeast of South Africa, there's a small and very poor country called Lesotho, where one out of ten newborns are HIV positive. In Swaziland, 33 percent of all adults have HIV.

The truth is, the only hope for the world's AIDS-pandemic (outside of divine intervention) would be an effective vaccine (which is highly unlikely given the nature of the beast!), or a 100 percent effective prevention program, with abstinence and condoms leading the list of some solutions which are very fragile and nearly impossible to enforce.

Kim Nichols, co-director of the African Services Committee and advisor to the United Nations on AIDS, said earlier this year: *"You're going to see a massive collapse of national economies, the ruin of countries. And the world, as a whole, won't be able*

*to sustain or tolerate that sort of crisis. It will definitely get that bad."* Read that statement again slowly and absorb its full meaning; *without any other factors involved, all by itself, the AIDS-pandemic will ultimately cause a worldwide economic collapse.*

The AIDS pandemic has already affected far more people than Medieval-Europe's *"Black Death"* ever did, and it's nowhere near winding down. Even here, in our own beloved United States, where health care and research is second to none, we've lost 14,000 people to AIDS every year for the last seven years. The forecast for the future of U.S. AIDS-mortality rates is an upward spiral, just as it is everywhere else in the world.

With the exception of those who circulate the insidious idea that the AIDS virus was cultivated deliberately in order to exterminate the world's undesirables and usher in *"the New World Order"* (these conspiracy theorists shall remain

nameless), the origin of the human AIDS virus has invariably been traced back to African primates. The only remaining question on the origin of AIDS is, *"Was the transfer of the simian AIDS virus to a human done in a sexual manner or by having been bitten?"*

I have no comment, however, I'm compelled to paraphrase a quote from Garner Ted Armstrong, who once said; *"The AIDS virus wasn't hiding behind a tree somewhere in Africa waiting for someone to come by and jumped on them."* Absolutely true, no doubt about it! I know this much for sure, even if a certain person (or persons) was bitten by an AIDS-infected primate, the fact of the matter remains; if God's way of life was being practiced by all, then only an extremely limited number of people could ever have contracted AIDS. Chimpanzees and monkeys definitely don't go around looking for people to sink

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no place to hide, no place to go and no place to escape. During the time of global distress upon all mankind, life will be as if a man did flee from a lion and a bear met him or went into his house and leaned on his wall and a serpent bit him.

Yet God provides a way of protection from and through the evils yet ahead. You can be *saved from* the potential death, that if it were not for the returning Christ, would prevail over all. Watch and pray always that you will be worthy to escape the devastation that is only now beginning to develop, *over*

*there.* The work of the watchman is warning those who have an ear to hear. The Work of God starts with this: that you believe on Jesus Christ, the very One whom the Father sent (John 6:29).

If you *believe, obey, and remain* faithful until the end, then the safe place for you will be right where you are, under God's divine protection as promised. Though the world falls apart, the promises as follows will be your surety – a thousand shall fall at your right side and ten thousand at your left, yet nothing shall come near to you. Only with your eyes, you will see the reward of the wicked. There shall no evil happen to you nor will any plague come in your dwelling

place. For He will give His angels watch over you, to keep you safe. And while under God's intervention and protection during the evil yet ahead, realize steak and potatoes, champagne and strawberries will not be the meal of the day. Rather, as given to us as an example of the realities of tribulation, we read that God fed one of His prophets. A widow and son used but a handful of meal and a little oil, which lasted some 3-1/2 years. Just enough will suffice, as God will provide those who are under His protection from the evil yet ahead. On earth, there will be no place to hide, no safe place, unless of course God is *with* you. □

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their teeth into.

The truth is we're all victims of sin, our own and the sins of others. Every unforgiven sin will result, one day, one way or another, in varying degrees of suffering. There are, however, at the very least, 15 million and counting (not to mention all those guiltlessly infected by promiscuous partners, contaminated blood products or other accidental exposures), of those born as innocent victims of every single sin that helped proliferate the scourge of AIDS. And yet, at the same time, every one of those innocents are already providing a powerful witness to those who have eyes to see and ears to hear! May God bless them all!

**SARS: Severe Acute  
Respiratory Syndrome;  
is it really gone  
or just forgotten?**

SARS made its debut late in 2002, as an epidemic in *Quangdong* province, an agricultural area in southern China. This region is populated by millions of peasants who work small farms, most of which are no more than a couple of acres. Their food animals consist of pigs, geese and other food-fouls. This entire area is, unequivocally, the world's largest concentration of people and food animals living in such close proximity, most even under the same roof. The situation is an absolute bonanza for the introduction of human and animal viruses to each other. Perhaps all of southeast Asia should be renamed the *Recombinant Zone* after what hap-

pens when human and animal viruses get together and exchange genetic information. The amalgamation of viral genetics has and will continue to form a potpourri of strains that have never existed before. The offspring of these viral intimacies are generically called recombinant viruses and these recombinants are, in fact, the genuine chimeras of the biological world. (SARS isn't the only viral offspring from southeast Asia on the epidemiologists' "watch" list. As we'll see later, it's no acci-

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dent where bird flu comes from.)

SARS is an extremely contagious form of severe pneumonia. One man, for example, who became infected with SARS while in Vietnam, later had also attended a wedding in China; even though he "*wasn't feeling very well.*" This man's trip caused over 500 confirmed SARS cases, for everyone within a few feet of the man was unknowingly compromised. SARS is unique both in its virulence and in its ease of transfer between humans.

As a recombinant virus, the humanized part of the SARS virus most closely resembles the two

human coronaviruses that cause the common cold. Frankly, that's exactly why SARS is so contagious and it also shows why recombinant viruses are so dangerous. They can, at any time, pick up the exact genetic information needed to spread like wildfire amongst us *homosapiens*...just like a cold. A sneeze or a cough from an infected individual can result in a cloud of microscopic-sized droplets, each one filled with innumerable invisible invaders, which are then easily breathed in or absorbed into any opening of its victim's body.

The "corona" part of coronavirus actually means "crown." The shape of the coronavirus gives it both its name and appearance. The points of the crown-shaped virus are used to attach itself to a cell and inject its RNA, thus taking over the cell's mechanics in order to reproduce itself. All viruses, no matter their shape, will do this in order to reproduce, one way or another. Nevertheless, that's where the analogy between the common cold and SARS stops.

A SARS infection doesn't cause cold-like symptoms; there's no runny nose, no sore throat, no watery eyes. What happens is you'll start to cough, and then you'll get a fever, and then both will increase in intensity and severity. The inflammation in the lungs can increase to the point of the patient's oxygen levels start to drop off very quickly. And if so, then a respirator will be required to keep that patient alive long enough for their immune system to figure out just how to fight off this never-before assailant. There's the rub; SARS, being a recombinant virus, had

mutated into the shape of a coronavirus and had the ability to spread like a common cold. But was, in reality, a severe, if not a killer pneumonia and affected its victims the way it did because the human immune system simply hadn't dealt with anything like it ever before.

Approximately half of everyone who contracted SARS required hospitalization and a respirator in order to survive. Half of those infected were health care workers and even half of those who died were otherwise healthy doctors, nurses and other hospital staff. The mortality rate for SARS victims is estimated to be around 12 percent to 15 percent overall, but for people over the age of 60, that rate jumps to an unprecedented 45 percent to 60 percent who will not survive its assault. Nothing, in the form of a viral-pneumonia (except hantaviruses, which are extremely rare), has ever produced statistics like these before SARS reared its ugly head.

I know, some of you may be thinking by now, *"Well, that's all very interesting T.S., but SARS hasn't been in the news for quite some time now...so, what's your point?"* Okay, you're right. SARS, as we know it, may never come back, or something like it could pop up tomorrow, almost anywhere. The truth is, we really don't know. That's the point; we don't really know about things like SARS or any other possible combination of viral-genetics until they're actually happening. The great British biologist Sir Peter Medawar once said, *"A virus is a*

*piece of bad news wrapped in a protein."* Biologically speaking, for recombinant viruses practically any and every *"bad news"* is a very distinct possibility.

SARS made it from *Quangdong* to Canada in just a few months and it's an impeccable example of why oceans and rivers, forest and deserts, canyons and valleys and mountains once protected mankind from what was happening in far away places. But not now, not any more, we're way past that now! There's no quarter, no place



to hide, no place to run away to, no barrier high enough; isolation is history. Every single day there's an average of 100,000 people flying to every corner of the globe (some days, like national holidays, there are many more than a mere 100,000), and in some of these corners lies endemic and sometimes exotic diseases, which could never leave their environs without help. All of which gives the following words even more sobriety; *"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase"* (Daniel 12:4).

## "Pestilence" in the Bible

The word pestilences (pestilence) is mentioned twice in the New Testament and both are from the parallel accounts of Jesus Christ's Olivet prophecy;

*"For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows"* (Matthew 24:7-8).

*"Then said He unto them; Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven"* (Luke 21:10-11).

However, pestilence is used *forty-seven times* in the Old Testament, many times in the form of a reoccurring theme and in the exact order used by the Redeemer's prophetic statements. Jeremiah and Ezekiel, in particular, make ample use of it to warn against *the three part formula for catastrophe*; *"by the sword and by the famine and by the pestilence"* (Jeremiah 14:12, 21:9, 21:13 and Ezekiel 6:11, 12:16 and many other scriptures), that would come upon this world if we turned away from the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

## In Conclusion

So, it would seem that the heart of the matter and the moral of the story is that a sexually-immoral, technologically advanced civiliza-

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machine to a stalemate will garner increased power and financial support for Hezbollah's leaders and lots more financial support from other Arabs? It could be that they are counting on this show of force against Israeli cities to draw many more young recruits who want the glory of martyrdom which much of the Arab media glamorizes.

## Public Opinion Research

Public opinion research postu-

lates that:

*\* Opinion is highly sensitive to important events, for example, the bombing of Pearl Harbor or the World Trade Center.*

*\* Events of unusual magnitude are likely to swing public opinion possibly from one extreme to another. America swung from believing in neutrality to demanding total victory after Pearl Harbor.*

*\* Perception of the importance of an event is controlled by the amount and kind of media coverage it receives.*

What kind of publicity will Hezbollah's attacks engender within Islam? If the media portray

Hezbollah as strong and equal to Israel militarily, as well as determined, they could become even more dangerous. The fact that many in the Islamic world will fear and respect Hezbollah will enable it to build strength for future conflicts.

## War By Proxy

Some view Hezbollah's attacks as war by proxy. Iran and Syria, considered being the major antagonists are using Hezbollah as Hitler used his "volunteer" pilots during the Spanish Civil War to generate fear of his air force

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tion that is constantly at war with itself while allowing its own citizens to live in utter poverty are undoubtedly not to be imitated or admired!! Any questions?

## Notes

\*1. \*An AIDS virus infection is incurable (via vaccine or any other known way for that matter) because it uses the genetic information of its host's cells in order to reproduce itself. By doing so the AIDS virus takes on genetically-unique material from each and every one of its victims. Thus, the AIDS virus is mutating from person to person to person and not just over the course of time; though it does that also. In other words; if person #1 (P1) infects person #2 (P2) and P2 infects P3 and then P3 infects P4 and so on and so forth, then even if an effective vaccine for P1 was developed, by the time you get enough people down

the line of infection, the virus has mutated to the point of leaving the vaccine made from P1 completely impotent. But that's not all!

Even within the same individual, as Dr. Frank Ryan reports: "Within some two years after first infection, the original strain of virus is no longer recognizable among the hundreds of mutating progeny" (*Virus X*, p. 268). So here we have a virus that not only mutates from person to person to person, but also mutates within each infected individual to the point that of an entirely different strain just two years or so after the initial infection. Therefore, once P1 is symptomatic (which itself could take years of not knowing anything about being infected; which is exactly why sexual immorality disperses AIDS so very well!), even if a vaccine maker was willing to invest the multiple-millions of dollars and many months if not years till P1's vaccine was ready, that vaccine wouldn't be effective even on P1! The reality is, according to the lat-

est updates, there's 40.3 million different and continually mutating strains of the AIDS virus extant.

2. See the following books; *The Coming Plague*, by Laurie Garrett, *Virus X*, by Frank Ryan M.D., *Emerging Viruses*, edited by Stephen M. Morse, *The Plague Makers*, by Jeffery A. Fisher M.D. and also Randy Shilts' classic on the spread of AIDS *And the Band Played On*.

3. Most of the information on SARS found here was provided from a lecture by Dr. Dennis Maki, of the University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics in Madison, Wisconsin. His lecture was given at the Downtown Rotary Club's presentation of: "Threat of SARS to World Health," held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June, 2003.)

4. *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*, under "pestilences" #1698, defines it as the Hebrew word *deber* meaning; "plague, pestilence, disease, a pandemic occurrence of sickness and death; some sources identify specific diseases in specific context." □

among those subjected to the air saturation bombing carried out by these “volunteer” German pilots. Under the guise of helping Franco, these activities helped to psychologically set the stage for World War II. Many were clearly afraid of Hitler’s military power. World wide media coverage of these activities gave status to the German War machine in the mid 1930s which helped emboldened Hitler to start The Big War.

During the rise of Nazism, there was only one man who cried in the wilderness trying to warn the world of the Nazi menace. His great wisdom and truth went unnoticed until it was almost too late. That man was Winston Churchill. He was continually humiliated and berated by the media and the English people for 10 years. But he didn’t give up.

Why did these European leaders cave in to Hitler’s demands for territorial expansion as they grew from country to country? They were weary of war and believed that they could satisfy Hitler if they gave him enough. The media assisted European leaders in this quest for peace at any price by slanting the news to give appeasement viability in the eye of public opinion. The media for the most part, did not challenge this feckless and fearful behavior of the western powers. The media also, believed in appeasement as the price for peace at any cost.

We now know that the German generals were suspicious of Hitler and were ready to try to overthrow him if the British and French had stood up to Hitler at that crucial time. But the British and French

leaders backed by public opinion and shaped by the media appeased Hitler as he directed three more land grabs.

Hitler, as do most bullies, assumed that Europeans were indeed weak and feckless and therefore was continually emboldened to make further demands and claims. Churchill was quoted as saying, “We choose between war and shame.” “We chose shame at Munich in 1938 and will also get war anyway.” During the dark days of the war the people turned to Churchill, finally realizing that events had proven him right.



Is it possible that a similar pattern is emerging with Iran and Syria? They wish to be the major military powers in the Middle East. Daniel 11:40 says the King of the South shall push at the King of the North. Verse 40 continued: *“And at the time of the end shall the King of the south push at him. And the King of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.”* It sounds like blitzkrieg of WWII doesn’t it?

We believe the King of the North is the Beast Power, a renewed Holy Roman Empire in Central Europe greater than any

before it in military might. It will be ruled by a beastly man like Hitler. Who can fight against this Beast? See Rev 13:4: *“And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast, saying, who is like unto the beast? Who is able to make war with him?”* Will Iran and allies in the Middle East in the near future, believe that they are powerful enough to push a future powerful united Europe?

This push could be done through a combination of terrorism, conventional weapons and maybe even include nuclear bombs. World media could easily

add to the problem. Hitler could have been stopped early in his build up of strength, but the major western powers were afraid. Appeasement caused Hitler to overestimate his military might. Will hostile Middle Eastern powers overestimate their might as the result of appeasement and slanted media coverage? Does western

media ever criticize terrorists for hiding among civilians while fighting in civilian clothing assuring the death of many innocent civilians?

It could easily happen again. With anti-Americanism at a fever pitch among our media as well as the world’s, *such a thing could happen again.* The longer the western powers wait to address the problem the stronger will Hezbollah, Iran and Syria grow.

### WHAT SHOULD WE WATCH

Some additional laws of public opinion will have significant in-

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doctrine, who wrote it, who conceived of it and how it came to be. Most simply take it for granted that “it’s *somewhere* in the Bible.” They don’t know where the doctrine of the trinity is located in the Bible, but firmly believe that if you look hard enough and long

enough the trinity will pop up somewhere. Maybe where you least suspect it.

Many claim that the trinity is clearly outlined in what is generally known as the “Great Commission.” Read in Matthew 28:19: “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”

There you have it. Jesus was clearly stating that His Father, He and the “Holy Ghost” are a trinity. Did Jesus really say that, or did He say something entirely different in meaning? Okay then what about 1 John 5:7 in the King James Version? Finally a definitive, clear statement in Scripture. Right? Read what is written in John’s first Epistle. Verse 7: “*For*

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fluence over the unity and level of support for the terrorists and the supporting states.

*\* When an opinion is held by a slight majority or when opinion is not solidly structured, an accomplished fact tends to shift opinion in the direction of acceptance.*

*\* During critical times, people become more sensitive to the adequacy of their leadership—if they have confidence in it, they are willing to assign more than usual responsibility to it; if they lack confidence in it, they are less tolerant than usual.*

A crisis tends to unite people around established leadership and in a fervent manner.

Will the Islamic extremists unite in support of Iran? Will they become very powerful or will they overthrow Iran’s leaders? There are rumblings (press reports) that moderate established Arab leaders are not happy with these developments. Could it be that they are leading the west to believe this for political purposes and are not telling their own people of their not approving of Hezbollah’s attacks? Will these “moderate” leaders themselves someday be overthrown and replaced by radical

and dangerous men?

What kind of media coverage is produced in Europe with its large Islamic populations which tends to be more anti-Semitic than American media?

What kind of coverage is in the mainstream American media? What kind of coverage is given in the far right media and the blogosphere? (Internet sites).

## WILL THE TERRORISTS SUCCEED NOW?

*The terrorists would prefer a short conflict with their getting a favorable prisoner exchange with Israel. This will enable them to appear as an equal power. Israel would prefer to delay the cease-fire until they can significantly degrade Hezbollah’s fighting force. The world with the exception of America has been pressuring Israel to make such an arrangement. If Israel enters into such an agreement prematurely, it will be a victory for the terrorists. As we write this article no such arrangement has yet been made. We expect world pressure to increase to make Israel appease their enemies with a quick cease-fire.*

Will Israel unite behind Mr. Ehud Olmert their new Prime Minister during this crisis? Israel

is getting more unified every day!

*Could something happen in the near future to allow a united Israel to rebuild the TEMPLE ON THE TEMPLE MOUNT? For example, an ERRANT MISSILE DESTROYING THE DOME OF THE ROCK?*

Remember public opinion is very fluid and subject to events and media coverage of those events.

God warns us to watch to see which way the winds of world events are blowing. Will we spot a gathering storm? Let us keep our eyes open. Is it defeat or appeasement (a public relations victory) for the terrorists and their supporting states?

Listen to the media for code words to see if the world’s pressure is for appeasement which is victory for the terrorists or the degrading of the terrorists. Remember that Bible prophecy tends to vary in the speed of its fulfillment. Sometimes events come very speedily such as the fall of the entire vast Communist Empire and the reunification of Germany. Sometimes events move along slowly. We all need to do some critical analysis to determine just how close we are to the setting of the stage for final end time battles.

Pray that God gives us clear spiritual eyesight! □

*there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one."*

While it's true that Jesus did commission his elect to teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, John did not at any time write the words in his first Epistle as are reflected in Chapter 5, verse 7. Some monk corrupted the original Greek texts. This was no doubt done to "prove" the doctrine of the trinity. You don't believe me? You say I'm full of hot air? Check this verse in ANY other version of the Bible such as the Revised Standard Edition, American Standard Edition as an example. I even looked in the German Bible, (Luther's version) and did not find these words as written in the King James Version.

Verse 7 should read (and does in the original Greek texts and all other corrected editions) "AND THE SPIRIT IS THE WITNESS, BECAUSE THE SPIRIT IS THE TRUTH."

The doctrine of the trinity is nowhere to be found in your Bible. IT SIMPLY ISN'T THERE. So how is it that although Jesus Christ NEVER spoke of the Godhead as a trinity; the disciples NEVER spoke or wrote of any trinity, yet MILLIONS are required to accept this false doctrine. Over the centuries, a concerted effort has been made by so-called "Christian" scholars to change and pervert the Word of God. Paul warned us about a false gospel that was already appearing in the first century, not long after the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Twisted and perverted doctrines have continued to this day.

The trinity doctrine IGNORES

God's true plan for us and for earth. It obscures the Scriptural reality that God is reproducing after His own kind. Yes, that's correct. Jesus Christ was the first-born of many brethren. Hebrews 2:10 reveals, "For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering." This verse from Hebrews clearly states that

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the Eternal God will bring *many sons to glory!*

Most nominal Christians firmly believe that they are going to heaven and will spend eternity "praising God." The trinity doctrine once again limits, obfuscates and distorts the Eternal's clear and stated plan for mankind.

The trinity doctrine limits God to a supposed three persons. It DESTROYS the very gospel of Jesus Christ! His gospel is the good news of the now soon-coming KINGDOM OF GOD — the only hope for this world.

The trinity doctrine, by contrast, is the doctrine of the great false religion called in Revelation 17:5: "Mystery, Babylon the great, the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth." By that doctrine, along with others, Satan has DECEIVED all traditional Christianity.

The generally accepted teaching of traditional Christianity is that God is a trinity — God in three persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit (which is often called a "Ghost"). How did this "trinity" doctrine enter traditional Christianity?

It most certainly did not come from the Bible! I offered a quote from Revelation 12:9 saying that all nations have been deceived by Satan the devil. How, then, did the cunning and devious Satan introduce this doctrine into "Christianity"?

The history of this question is interesting. It seems incredible that a being like Satan not only could have deceived the whole world, but also "Christianity," the very religion bearing Christ's name and supposed to be his true religion. Yet, ironically, Satan did!

He did it through his great false church, started A.D. 33 by Simon the Sorcerer, described in the 8th chapter of the book of Acts as the leader of the Babylonian mystery religion in Samaria. It is recorded in II Kings 17:23-24 that Shalmaneser, king of Assyria, who had invaded and conquered the northern kingdom — the kingdom of Israel — moved the people out of their land of Samaria, north of Jerusalem, and moved into that land people of the Babylonish mystery religion from the provinces of Babylon. They were, of course, gentiles. They inhabited this area of northern Palestine in the time of Christ. The Jews of Judea in Christ's time would have nothing to do with them, calling them contemptuously "dogs." They still adhered to this pagan Babylonish mystery religion in the

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# Trinity

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first century.

In A.D. 33, two years after Jesus Christ from heaven founded the Church of God on that day of Pentecost, the deacon Philip, who later became an evangelist, went down to Samaria and preached the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This Simon the Sorcerer came with the crowd to hear him. Simon had bewitched the people of that country, and they followed him as their leader in the Babylonian mystery religion “from the least to the greatest, saying, “This man is the great power of God” (Acts 8:10).

When the people believed Philip, preaching the Kingdom of God, they were baptized, and Simon managed to be baptized as well. Then Simon came to the apostles Peter and John, offering money as a bribe, asking them to give him the power to lay hands on people and have them receive the Holy Spirit. Peter rebuked him strongly. But Simon proclaimed himself a Christian apostle, nevertheless, and called the pagan Babylonian mystery religion “Christianity.” He accepted the doctrine of “grace” for the forgiveness of sin (which the pagan religions had never had), but turned grace into license to disobey God (Jude 4). He aspired to turn his pagan religion, under the name “Christianity,” into a UNIVERSAL or *catholic* religion, to gain thereby *the political rule of the world*.

Simon, the “Pater” (Peter) of his counterfeit religion, did not accomplish this in his lifetime. However, succeeding leaders with the headquarters moved to Rome, did

later gain political control over the Roman Empire and its medieval successor, called “The Holy Roman Empire.” The current European Union, or E.U. is the precursor to the seventh and final reiteration of the Holy Roman Empire.

Today’s nominal Christian churches either recite the Athanasian Creed, the so-called Apostle’s Creed, the Doxology or whatever that reinforces the false concept of a “trinity.” The belief

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that the Eternal God is a trinity is so deeply entrenched in the minds of MILLIONS that no reasoning, no Scriptural or other evidentiary material that clearly disproves this deception of Satan can dislodge the notion of a “trinity.”

Few understand that the thousands of nominal Christian churches essentially believe in the very FOUNDING DOCTRINE of the Roman Catholic Church. Few understand that the majority of nominal Christian beliefs, practices and rituals are directly descended from the church of Rome. If you point this fact out, you are asking for a firestorm of denial, and most likely a display of self-righteousness. Millions of professing “Christians” hold the core belief of the Godhead consisting of a trinity yet are unable to find the word “trinity” anywhere in the Bible. If the trinity in reality, was

the foundation of the Christian faith, wouldn’t you suppose that Jesus or His disciples would have even at least mentioned it?

Not a single verse or parable in any of the four Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke or John EVEN MENTION THE WORD! Was Jesus absent-minded or forgetful? Were the apostles such as Paul, Peter, and others off in a fog somewhere? Not likely. Paul, divinely inspired, did write in 1 Corinthians 8:6, “But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we in him.” Did Paul just “forget” to include the “Holy Ghost” here? He most emphatically did not. There is no trinity. There never was, nor will there ever be.

Of course the same holds true for the false doctrine of the “eternal soul.” This belief is nearly universal amongst nominal Christians, yet found nowhere in your Bible! Nonetheless, literally hundreds of MILLIONS firmly believe in the “eternal soul” as fervently and as strongly as they believe the trinity is a GOD GIVEN FACT! Satan, current ruler of this world has done a remarkable job at deception. In closing, I will once again quote Revelation 12:9: “Satan which DECEIVETH the whole world.”

We are now entering the period the Bible refers to as the end times. The Kingdom of God is soon to be established on this earth. The really good news is that literally BILLIONS of resurrected men and women are going to finally hear the truth of the Gospel and have the opportunity to be brought to glory. Pray each day, Thy Kingdom come Father, soon please! □

# ***CAN THE U.S. WIN THE "WAR ON TERROR"?***

by Michael Burkert

**I**s it possible for the United States and Great Britain to actually WIN the so-called "War on Terror"? Is our military and industrial strength up to the task at hand? Is the United States and Great Britain in any position to gain the support of our European and Asian allies in efforts to end Islamic expansionism being waged through the tactics of terrorism?

Our president declared a "war on terror" immediately after the 9/11 attacks on the United States. Although he did so, both the president and our congress have FAILED to identify the real enemy and FAILED to declare WAR on that enemy.

The United States and particularly the U.S. government is so embroiled in political correctness that after five years of armed warfare directed at "terror," resulting in the deaths of 2,800 American soldiers and several hundred British soldiers, WE HAVE YET TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO IDENTIFY THE ENEMY! We are too afraid of "offending" our enemy's sensibilities.

The enemy we face is no more "terror," than was "blitzkrieg" the enemy in World War II. The Germans used *blitzkrieg* as a tactical doctrine to achieve their war objectives. The Islamic Expansionists in Syria, Iran, Saudi Arabia and other Islamic countries use TERROR solely as a tactical doctrine, in achieving their goals of ISLAMIC EXPANSION.

In December 1941, President

Roosevelt asked congress for a declaration of war against the Japanese Empire. Congress didn't declare war against "air raids" or "submarine attacks," perpetrated by the Japanese. Congress declared war against a NATION. Within a few days of Pearl Harbor, Germany declared war on the United States and we reciprocated.

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We did not declare war on *blitzkrieg*, the known German battlefield tactical doctrine. We declared war on the German NATION.

In May 1945, the victorious allies led by the United States and Britain did not celebrate a victory over *blitzkrieg*. With the final defeat of Japan, we declared a victory over the Axis countries!

In 2001, much to the angst and dismay of our "progressive" liberals, President Bush did identify the Axis of evil, Iran, Iraq, Syria and North Korea. He failed how-

ever, to identify the true enemy of the free world, that being the NATIONS of Iran, Syria, Saudi Arabia as well as their supporters! With the exception of Iraq, no follow-up has even been contemplated by the administration in taking the war to the real perpetrators and supporters of worldwide Islamic expansion. Therefore, five years into the war, we are no closer to winning the conflict than when it began.

As a result of our government's timidity in identifying our enemies, the U.S. has essentially done nothing to take on Iran or to diminish Iran's support for worldwide terrorism. We have done NOTHING to degrade the Iranian support for Hezbollah, Hamas and other proxy terrorist organizations bent on the destruction of Israel, the United States and Europe.

Iran possesses BILLIONS of dollars in petro-dollars and is funding terrorists in Lebanon, Gaza and other locations. At the same time, Iran is working full throttle to develop NUCLEAR weapons for only one purpose. That purpose being the destruction of the State of Israel, the United States and Europe!

The ground war in Lebanon is most likely the first conventional battle of World War III. The conflict may well to expand to other areas of the region. It's a war that Sunni Arabs do not want, but is being thrust upon them not by the Israelis, but by IRAN.

The Middle East is in sorry shape for a variety of reasons. The

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## Solution or...

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It really is synonymous with the Vietnam syndrome. You don't dare win a war, the world might hate you for it! We'd hate to alienate the Russians, just when things are going so well! Of course the Russians are busily selling untold quantities of outdated weapons to Iran, and it is a huge source of income. Ditto the Chinese.

Now the stakes are high, and getting even higher. Iran has warned a "fierce response" if Israel should do anything so "stupid" as to attack Syria. The "fierce response" presumably means that

the Iranians fire mid-range missiles at Israel. And then what? Diplomacy?

Don't forget that Iran routinely predicts the destruction of Israel. Iran has also threatened the United States repeatedly. If we haven't reached a crossroads in the globe-girdling conflict between radical Islam and the civilized world, it can't be far off.

Israel is the only true law abiding democracy in all the Middle East. If the U.S. clings to the lost hope of diplomacy until Islamic powers summon the capability to carry out their dream of Israel's destruction, can the demise of our own democracy be far behind?

Bible prophecy describes a scene leading toward "Armageddon" with "armies surrounding Jerusalem." But there are several other geo-political aspects included in the scenario, including a "beast power" made up of "ten kings" or countries to the north led by a great political leader and "the false prophet," a great religious leader, and also indicates that the Arab countries will be led by a "king of the South." It appears that all the pieces of that puzzle have not yet come together.

But the fire raging in the Middle East now has the whole world on red alert. Oil prices are surging to new record levels, gold is soaring

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U.S. led invasion of Iraq, and the toppling of Saddam Hussein's vicious and brutal Ba'ath regime removed Iran's most viable enemy in the region. Iran has thus been free to arm terrorists in Iraq and provide advanced weapons to Hamas and Hezbollah for use against tiny Israel.

The United States is capable of fielding the most modern, advanced and technologically superior war machine ever. We are capable of winning any battle, anywhere. What we are incapable of doing however, is winning wars! We did not win in Korea. We did not win in Vietnam, nor did we REALLY win Gulf War I.

The Eternal God promised ancient Israel a multitude of blessings. These blessings were contingent upon Israel obeying God's laws. God promised security and peace through divine protection. "And I will give peace in the land,

*and you shall lie down and none shall make you afraid...neither shall the sword go through your land. You shall chase your enemies and they shall fall before you by the sword. And five of you shall chase an hundred and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to the flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword! (Leviticus 26:6-8).*

God warned Israel of the penalties for disobedience. The penalties are in reality CURSES. If you believe what your Bible says, and know the true identity of modern day Israel it is clear that the curses God warned Israel of, are working against us today.

Those curses Israel was warned about are as valid today as when the Scriptures were written. Israel is rebellious, stiff-necked and in total disobedience of God's laws! God warned us, "And I will BREAK THE PRIDE OF YOUR POWER...And your strength shall be spent in vain" (Leviticus 26:19-20).

As I've said previously, the

United States is the greatest military power on earth! Despite her diminished empire, Great Britain continues to be a force of great power as well. Yet both of our nations are broken in many ways. We have degenerated into a moral abyss.

In both the United State and Great Britain, a continuing debate over the use of force and the level of force to use in war has derailed any real chance of winning the war of Islamic expansion. Our secular liberals fail to grasp the importance of RELIGION in the majority of nations and tend to view Islam as harmless!

Our great nation is squandering our national treasure and the lives of our soldiers in vain! The Islamists know this and look forward to a VICTORY over Israel and America. They know that then they can gather their forces to attack and conquer the true prize in this war, the prize denied them in two earlier wars of expansion... EUROPE. □

# ARMIES SURROUNDING JERUSALEM, LAND FOR PEACE: THE PRELUDE?

by James and Natalie Ricks

Christ told his disciples that one crucial sign of the time of the end would be armies surrounding Jerusalem, “*And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh*” (Luke 21:20). Could it be that the Jewish nation will allow these armies to surround the city as part of a peace-keeping *buffer force*? Many analysts are saying that Hezbollah’s attacks can only be prevented by a strong buffer force on the northern border of Israel.

The Jewish state has indicated that they would consider a European military force on their northern border similar to the one that is in Afghanistan. Surprised? Well, consider this. The UN Peace-Keeping Forces have proven unreliable all over the globe. America is preoccupied with many other military commitments. A European army is the next logical choice.

## THE BUFFER FORCE

A European peace-keeping force could cause Israel to begin

to become comfortable with the dangerous concept of allowing foreign troops to be responsible for Israeli protection and security. The Jewish state might next see a need for such a buffer force in the south to ameliorate the Gaza Strip terrorist problem. Later, it is foreseeable that a similar military force could be allowed in the West Bank area to guard the Eastern or Jordanian frontier of Jerusalem. If these events occur now, even if at first these armies are helpful, Israel would be completely surrounded by foreign armies. Prophecies imply that these armies will *someday betray tiny Israel and desecrate the future Temple of God*. See Matt 24:15. Read also II Thessalonians 2:4 and Revelation Chapters 13:14-15.

These armies would have to increase in strength and become a threat, to fulfill Bible prophecies. Allowing them in position to provide a *buffer zone*, could be the first fatal step toward the take-over of Israel. These armies, if in position, could suddenly be turned inward, toward Jerusalem, by the command of a future evil leader in a reconstituted Holy Roman

Empire in Europe. They would no longer protect Jerusalem from terrorism and extremist activity, but, instead, with lightening-like speed, attack the city.

Who among the European powers is likely to have the strongest army contingents; France, Italy, Spain or Germany? Germany will be the strongest! Ironical isn’t it! The nation that indirectly uprooted the successful Jews of Europe by horrifying persecution, and forced them, out of self-defense, to form the Zionist state, will be their future chief protector and betrayer. The current crisis in Lebanon could be the prelude to these future events.

The past has shown that “buffer zone thinking” has been very dangerous. When Neville Chamberlain was Prime Minister of England, at the beginning of World War II, he became a victim of appeasement as well as buffer zone thinking. The Prime Minister believed that if the Europeans could give in enough to Hitler, that he could become placated, peaceful and would have no more reason to wage war. Giving him a piece

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and the stock market tumbling. We are all affected, collectively and individually by the events unfolding right now in the Middle East. Unfortunately, the greatest

power in the history of the world feels a necessity to rein Israel in and sit tight with huddled diplomats while the problem festers. Will our politicians continue to play this game until Iran can put a nuke on Tel Aviv? The way things are going, this situation may throw

the whole world into paralysis while the ultimate prophetic scenario takes shape.

What? Win a war? You’ve got to be kidding. The UN wouldn’t stand for it!

# All European Life Died in Auschwitz

*Spanish newspaper article on  
Judaism (In English)*

*by Sebastian Vilar Rodriguez*

I walked down the street in Barcelona, and suddenly discovered a terrible truth – Europe died in Auschwitz.

We killed six million Jews and replaced them with 20 million Muslims. In Auschwitz we burned a culture, thought, creativity, talent. We destroyed the chosen

people, truly chosen, because they produced great and wonderful people who changed the world.

The contribution of this people is felt in all areas of life: science, art, international trade, and above all, as the conscience of the world. These are the people we burned.

And under the pretense of tolerance, and because we wanted to prove to ourselves that we were cured of the disease of racism, we opened our gates to 20 million Muslims, who brought us stupidity and ignorance, religious ex-

tremism and lack of tolerance, crime and poverty due to an unwillingness to work and support their families with pride.

They have turned our beautiful Spanish cities into the third world, drowning in filth and crime.

Shut up in the apartments they receive free from the government, they plan the murder and destruction of their naive hosts.

And thus, in our misery, we have exchanged culture for fanatical hatred, creative skill for destructive skill, intelligence for

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of Poland, that was not his, in effect, creating a buffer zone of protection for the rest of Europe, certainly did not work. Some wealthy British leaders and politicians feared the spread of Communist ideology so much that they were willing to allow a criminal monster like Hitler to, in effect, become a buffer state to protect them from the vast Soviet Empire during the prelude to WWII. These British leaders feared that Communist ideology might topple their upper class positions, and cause them to lose their wealth and influence.

### LAND FOR PEACE STILL A FALSE CONCEPT

Many Westerners believe that if the Jewish State gives land back to the Palestinians that they too, will become placated, peaceful and have no more reason for terrorism. (Do you see a historical pattern here?) Sharon tested the concept. He gave back the Gaza

strip. We all can see how successful that plan has been. What did Israel receive as a result of giving back the Gaza Strip? Did they receive peace and good will from the Palestinians and other Arabs? No, they just got more terrorism and ill will. Land for peace will not be successful.

We, in the West, do not want to believe the goal of the Palestinians and Arabs. Their goal is to drive the Jews out of Israel and into the sea. They continually let us know what their goal for Israel is, but we refuse to believe it. Hitler wrote *Mein Kampf* to explain his goals and plans for world conquest, but we didn't believe him either. We can pretend that most Palestinians and Arabs want land for peace and can be bought off with other benefits, but we might as well realize what they really want and stop playing diplomatic games.

In 2000, President Clinton moderated Arab, Israeli talks that were known as the Camp David Negotiations. Yassar Arafat, Palestinian leader, was offered 97 percent of his demands. Did he accept the

agreement? No, it was rejected. He probably realized that if he had accepted the terms of the accord, he would have been killed or driven out of office. Peace is not what the Palestinians want. (Remember that the Arabs and Palestinians want the Jews driven into the sea.) No other solution is acceptable to them.

Yassar Arafat's mentor, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Amin al-Husayni, who began his tenure in the late twenties, was an open NAZI Arab. Husayni, went to Germany and met with the German Foreign Minister, Von Ribbentrop. The Mufti was also received by Hitler. Amin al-Husayni, and Hitler were in total agreement about the annihilation of the Jews as the "Final Solution to the Jewish Problem," both in Germany and in the Middle East. The pressure for the destruction of the Jews has not abated. It has inspired hatred and will remain until the Messiah comes again.

ARE WE SPIRITUALLY READY FOR THESE TRAUMATIC EVENTS?

□

## Cheap Labor ... We Can't Afford it !

Isn't that what the whole immigration issue is about? ....Business doesn't want to pay a decent wage, consumers don't want expensive produce.

Government will tell you Americans don't want the jobs... but the bottom line is cheap labor.

### "Cheap labor?"

Let's evaluate...

One illegal Mexican sneaks into the U.S. with his wife and five children. He takes a job for five or six dollars an hour.

1) At that wage, with six dependents he pays no income tax, yet at the end of the year if he files he gets an "earned income credit" of up to \$3,200 free.

2) He qualifies for Section 8 housing and subsidized rent.

3) He qualifies for food stamps.

4) He qualifies for free (no deductible, no co-pay) health care.

5) His children get free breakfasts and lunches at school.

6) He requires bilingual teachers and books.

7) He qualifies for relief from high energy bills.

8) If they are or become aged, blind or disabled they qualify for SSI.

9) Once qualified for SSI they can qualify for Medicare.

All of this is at the taxpayers expense.

He doesn't have to worry about

car insurance, life insurance, or homeowners insurance.

Taxpayers provide Spanish language signs, bulletins and printed material.

He cannot be fired, harassed, or sued.

He and his family receive the equivalent of \$20 to \$30 an hour in benefits.

Working Americans are lucky to have \$5 or \$6 an hour left after paying their bills and his.

We Americans also pay for increased crime, graffiti, and trash cleanup.

"Cheap labor? YEAH RIGHT!"

Work hard and pay your taxes, 12 million illegal aliens are counting on it! □

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backwardness and superstition. We have exchanged the pursuit of peace of the Jews of Europe and their talent for hoping for a better future for their children, their determined clinging to life because life is holy, for those who pursue death, for people consumed by the desire for death for themselves and others, for our children and theirs.

What a terrible mistake was made by miserable Europe.

The first reference you get when you google "Sebastian Vivar Rodriguez" is an online Spanish magazine *Gentiuino* and their posting of Nov 21, 2004: *HtmlResAnchor*

*Europa murió en Auschwitz (Europe Died in Auschwitz)* by *Sebastián Vivar Rodríguez*. No listing of attributes, no description of whether he is a journalist or even a Christian.

In my previous post *HtmlRes-*

*Anchor who\_is\_sebastian\_vilar\_rodriguez-and-who-cares I said that this was a fake. It still is. No doubt all these variations of S\* V\* R\* point back to this initial posting on a Spanish Website. I suppose someone felt it would have had more authority to ascribe the story to some large metropolitan Spanish paper, but it looks like it's written by a nobody. This of course does not take away any of its truth.*

*It seems most often quoted on pro-Israeli sites. The Vivar being changed to Villar seems to have originated with *HtmlResAnchor* frontpagemag of Sept 20 2005. Many postings with "Villar" take this date or Sept 23, 2005 as the date the mythical paper printed the story.*

*Here are bloggers that reference Sebastian Villar Rodriguez *HtmlResAnchor* israpundit, *HtmlResAnchor* gerry charlotte phelps and *HtmlResAnchor* further adventures of indigo red [ who*

*also provides a translation of the Spanish from the perspective of a non-Spanish speaking person - go read it] .*

*And this is the way it spreads, *HtmlResAnchor* sigcarlfred quotes *HtmlResAnchor* the anchoress online and others who in turn quote *HtmlResAnchor* frontpagemag. Incredibly, no one is concerned about getting an exact web source. My own feeling is that all these bloggers agree so much with the sentiments that they really don't care if it was actually printed anywhere. The important thing, I suppose is that it gets said at all. No one wants a bomb sent in the mail so they all blame it on poor Sebastian Villar Rodriguez or Sebastian Vilar Rodriguez or Sebastian Vivar Rodriguez. Hey, Sebastian said it - not me! Don't shoot the messenger!*

*For an excellent discussion on the Sebastian story read *HtmlResAnchor* is that legal. □*

# AUSTRALIAN ISLAM FLEXES “MUSCLES”

*by Murray Allatt*

The Israeli/Hezbollah conflict has opened the way for Australia's "Islamic" immigrants to again display their true loyalties. Those loyalties certainly do not lie with Australia. The recent hostilities found thousands of "Australians" of Lebanese ethnicity "holidaying" in Lebanon. Somehow family units as large as 36 had been able to afford the flight from Australia to holiday in their ancestral villages (mainly in southern Lebanon). Typically those families have protested they had just been visiting for eight weeks annual holiday. Who you might ask from Australia can afford eight week holidays annually, as some of these groups seemed to claim when interviewed on television that their holiday was an annual event. These do not appear to be people of great means.

A total of about 4,500 Lebanese with Australian passports were evacuated from Beirut and Tyre by ships and ferries chartered by the Australian government. Before the main evacuation could be arranged many of these "Australians" screamed abuse at the Australian government for being too slow in evacuation efforts. Of course these people have a great sense of "entitlement" and demand that when they venture into an unsafe part of the world our Government must immediately come to the rescue—NOW—from the other side of the world. Eventually some words of thanks were extended by those rescued in this evacuation effort.

However, many of those "rescued" had in fact been living in Lebanon for years, having got their "ticket" out by living in Australia long enough to apply for and obtain citizenship. One woman, living in southern Lebanon with her two boys aged about 10 and 12, had lived there, she said, for eight years. The news media described her as coming from Rockdale, a southern suburb of Sydney. Where her husband was there was no mention. How she supported herself for eight years in Lebanon there was no mention. There were many others evacuated in similar circumstances. For all intents and purposes they were Lebanese living in Lebanon, with no intention of returning to Australia. But they had their Australian citizenship "ticket." Would anyone care to guess who they support in this conflict?

Back on the home front, the Islamic community of Sydney and other capital cities organized a "peace" march on 22 July. It was reported in the Sydney press the following days in these terms:

"About 15,000 people turned Sydney's George Street into a human highway today as they protested Israeli attacks on Lebanon and Palestine.

Waving placards with messages to the Australian government and the world that read, "We are not terrorists, we are being terrorized" and "John - save our country," the protesters carried coffins and chanted "no war" as they marched down George Street to Martin Place" (SMH 23/7/06).

The country referred to in need

of "saving" was not Australia but Lebanon. That ought to tell anyone with sense where these people would rather be and where their loyalties lie. We ought to oblige and encourage them to return to "their country."

The article went on:

"The protest was by far the largest of three across the country, with much smaller crowds rallying in Melbourne and Adelaide against the Middle East conflict."

Suffice to say the press report did not do the march proper justice. You had to see the vision on television to know what this march was really all about. It was blatantly not a "peace" march but a rabid anti-Israel affair. And why would one suspect anything else from a rabble of men and women of Middle East origin, many swathed in "tea towels" and Islamic dress, especially the women.

The organizer of the march, a Mr. Constantine, claimed "We are marching today, Christian and Muslims united as one, marching to give peace a chance" (SMH 23/7/06). Sadly the vision on screen showed no one who looked remotely "Christian," though no doubt in a crowd of 15,000 there may have been a few Lebanese Christians and others bent on supporting terror for this march was patently in favour of Hezbollah.

The latest outrage from Australia's loyal Islamic population occurred in Perth on Saturday 29 July, when a crowd of 200 Islamic supporters attacked the Australian Prime Minister as he was leaving a meeting of his Liberal

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Muslims who are sympathetic to the terrorist movement as a matter of their religion. Is anybody investigating them? Despite reports of Hezbollah agents crossing our border with Mexico, the border remains porous while the politicians play “keep away” with the political football.

The traditional allies of the United States of America have melted away. Never mind all the convoluted justifications for it. They all project an *attitude* of superiority, and it has precious little to do with practical realities. The very same sort of attitude has taken hold in most large urban centers of the United States, pushed relentlessly by the largest of American newspapers and broadcast companies. It's reached the point where nearly half of American citizens are angrily critical of the U.S. on nearly every subject. That simple truth is defined by the enormous disdain heaped upon President George W. Bush. He is unabashedly hated by his political rivals. Hated for playing the cow-

boy and pursuing terrorism too hard. Despite the fact that the many dangerous situations in the Middle East and throughout the world have taken shape over centuries, everything is characterized as *his fault!*

You've heard the discussions raging back and forth over whether or not this is World War III. And that is mostly a matter of semantics. The conflict now gathering strength has the potential to

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push the boundaries of war beyond anything the world has ever seen before. The “civilized world” has become pacifist! Even the supposedly hawkish Bush Administration is sitting by quietly while the radical Muslim world threatens and gathers strength beyond our military capacity to respond, unless we resort to a nuclear solution. To

make matters far more complicated, radical Muslim elements have infiltrated western societies to a degree that politically correct governments simply cannot hope to contain them once they begin to attack us from within. Our political and law enforcement leaders should remember and contemplate the catastrophe of 9-11 on a daily basis.

Have a look at what's been going on with the massive demonstrations all over the Middle East, and even in Europe. These wild-eyed fanatics are openly calling for our death and destruction. They are sworn to *jihad* until Islam rules the world. How is it that our peoples can profess tolerance, tune out the threats, and pursue the good life while the danger grows?

The situation playing out in southern Lebanon holds some very valuable lessons to be learned, even a solid analogy.

Israel played by UN rules. They pulled out of southern Lebanon six years ago under the auspices of UN Resolution 1959. The UN inserted 2000 observers/peacekeepers who were given the mandate

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Party in Perth, Western Australia. Remarkably, but not surprisingly, the police managed to arrest only two anti-Israel protesters after the police had had tense moments getting the Prime Minister's vehicle through the outraged throng.

Thirty years ago, when then Prime Minister, Malcom Fraser, pushed through a policy to accept refugees from the Lebanese civil war it was obvious, since most of

these “refugees” were Muslim, that the seeds of future culture and religious clashes had been sown. That immigration policy resulted in whole villages, Muslims from southern Lebanon, being transplanted to the inner western suburbs of Sydney (and other Australian cities). That is why so many can return to Lebanon now on a regular basis to occupy the ancestral home, “on holidays.” That is why we have a Lebanese gang and “tribal” culture that resulted late last year in the “Cronulla Riots.”

Australia, like other countries, who ill-advisedly have extended sanctuary to these people from the Middle East, will face much stiffer racial, cultural and especially religious troubles in the future. These muddle-headed decisions made decades ago, allowed uncompromising alien cultural/religious immigration, foolishly thinking these people would assimilate. They don't. They won't. Trouble, more trouble, lies ahead in the region of Israel but also anywhere these peoples have settled. □

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of maintaining the area as a buffer zone between Israel and the radical Hezbollah. This was touted as a great victory for the radical terror organization, and saluted throughout the Islamic world. For six years the terror-mongers dug tunnels, constructed bunkers and stockpiled weapons under the watchful eyes of UN outposts. Did you hear any alarms of warning sounded by the UN? Did they warn the security council of the imminence of the waves of rocket attacks we see now occurring daily? No. Not a peep. Big news was made this week when Israel bombed a UN outpost. Now we know that the grounds were being used as cover for Hezbollah rocket launchers. Subsequently, there are reports that several other UN outposts in southern Lebanon are being used as shields for rocket launchers. Now, the blue hats are evacuating.

Radical Islamic terrorists obviously used the UN for cover for

years while they prepared their onslaught, and the UN obviously allowed itself to be used! That is precisely what we now see playing out in the larger scenario. The U.S. continues to play along diplomatically with the UN while the radical Islamic world prepares a multifaceted, unconventional war against our way of life. Nobody except Israel is doing anything about it, and they are only doing it because they have to stop the

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rain of rockets on their civilians.

Many argue that the U.S. is already spread too thin to take on Iran, Syria or North Korea. If we used air strikes to diminish or destroy their nuclear or military facilities the world would howl that we were violating international

law. And here we sit, watching the carnage while young Israeli boys are sent into the fire-ant hill of southern Lebanon to sacrifice their lives, women and children are killed in southern Beirut because their basements are used as missile bunkers, their rooftops as launching pads. Does the UN have a solution? No, the UN and the vast majority of its members hate Israel and they hate the United States.

There was some early hope based on "moderate" Arab regimes in the region criticizing Hezbollah's instigation of this gathering crisis. That seems to have changed already. Saudi Arabia and Jordan are now talking tough against Israel and the U.S., as their citizens become more inflamed by the day. The wall to wall al Jazeera coverage of the mayhem in south Beirut is driving their populations wild, and the monarchs are chiming in with public sentiment to avoid having that anger directed at them.

World War II was no cakewalk. The U.S. couldn't bring itself to believe that Hitler was actually a credible threat until it was nearly too late. With the radical Islamic movement so widely spread, the whole of the Muslim world enraged, and Iran very close to fielding nuclear weapons, it's getting very late again. It may in fact be too late. Israel, for the moment, has pulled together politically to fight for survival. The United States is anything but united. How long will we wait? Do we have what it takes to defeat the threat of radical Islam?

The President talked mighty tough in the days following Sep-

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# U.S. VS Mexico

**The U.S. VS Mexico: On February 15, 1998, the U.S. and Mexican soccer teams met at the Los Angeles Coliseum.**

The crowd was overwhelmingly pro-Mexican even though most lived in this country. They booed during the National Anthem and U.S. flags were held upside down. As the match progressed, supporters of the U.S. team were insulted, pelted with projectiles, punched and spat upon. Beer and trash were thrown at the U.S. players before and after the match. The coach of the U.S. team, Steve Sampson, said, "This was the most painful experience I have ever had in this profession."

**DID YOU KNOW** that immigrants from Mexico and other non-European countries can come to this country and get preferences in jobs, education, and government contracts? It's called "affirmative action" or racial privilege. The Emperor of Japan or the President of Mexico could migrate here and immediately be eligible for special rights unavailable for Americans of European descent. Recently, a vote was taken in the U. S. Congress to end this practice. It was defeated. Every single Democratic senator except Ernest Hollings voted to maintain special privileges for Hispanic, Asian and African immigrants. They were joined by thirteen Republicans. Bill Clinton and Al Gore have repeatedly stated that they believe that massive immigration from countries like Mexico is good. They have also backed special

privileges for these immigrants.

Corporate America has signed on to the idea that minorities and third world immigrants should get special, privileged status. Some examples are Exxon, Texaco, Merrill Lynch, Boeing, Paine Weber, Starbucks and many more.

**DID YOU KNOW** that Mexico regularly intercedes on the side of

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the defense in criminal cases involving Mexican nationals? Did you know that Mexico has NEVER extradited a Mexican national accused of murder in the U.S. in spite of agreements to do so? According to the *L.A. Times*, Orange County, California is home to 275 gangs with 17,000 members; 98 percent of which are Mexican and Asian. How's your county doing?

According to a *New York Times* article dated May 19, 1994, 20

years after the great influx of legal immigrants from Southeast Asia, 30 percent are still on welfare compared to eight percent of households nationwide. A *Wall Street Journal* editorial dated December 5, 1994, quotes law enforcement officials as stating that Asian mobsters are the "greatest criminal challenge the country faces." Not bad for a group that is still under 5 percent of the population.

Is education important to you? Here are the words of a teacher who spent over 20 years in the Los Angeles School system. "Imagine teachers in classes containing 30-40 students of widely varying attention spans and motivation, many of whom aren't fluent in English. Educators seek learning materials likely to reach the majority of students and that means fewer words and math problems and more pictures and multicultural references."

**WHEN I WAS YOUNG**, I remember hearing about the immigrants that came through Ellis Island. They wanted to learn English. They wanted to breathe free. They wanted to become Americans. Now, far too many immigrants come here with demands. They demand to be taught in their own language. They demand special privileges – affirmative action. They demand ethnic studies that glorify their culture.

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Date: 4/5/2006 □

# Letters

Dear Sir,  
You have blessed my life beyond words. Have been searching for nothing but TRUTH for 30 yrs. Mr. Armstrong set me on the path. God is with you. Love your Internet!

*M. B. in Louisiana*

Dear GTA Website,  
You replied to a question I had about God being a suffering God. I just wanted to thank you, and apologize for not thanking you earlier. Your e-mail really helped my debate and also a further essay I went on to write about a suffering God, so thanks!

*E. P. in the USA*

Dear Headquarters,  
[responding to our Word From news commentaries on the Iranian Oil Exchange and the one on how the West has capitulated.] Excellent and timely update on Iran and the Euro.

*M. A. in Australia*

Dear Sir,  
I wanted to say it's been a while since I seen your TV program. When I first found it I was getting ready for work and Mr. Ted Armstrong was on. I just loved his messages. He made you think, instead of what we have been taught all of our lives. He is right, we should search for ourselves. I think that's what God wants of us. I just found a book that he had sent me a few years ago, and I started reading it and it reminded me of him and his wisdom, help, and the message God wanted him to get across. So I wanted to find the web page and see if I could find it, and here I am. I really wanted to just say thank you to him, and his family, although he has passed, his

books are still here to help us.

*J. C. in Tennessee*

Dear Website,  
I just read your news commentaries that you automatically send and I greatly appreciate, at 4:30 this morning. Now I'm wondering if I'll be able to get back to sleep. Keep up the good work. I think and pray for you all of the time. I really am becoming alarmed over the events now shaping up and think a great deal about it too.

*G. R. in Canada*

Dear Mr. Armstrong,  
I just read your article "Iranian Oil Exchange" and the supporting articles by William Clarke and Mike Whitney in the Word From Section of the GTAE Site. I had not heard about the proposed Iran Oil Bourse until your article. Thank you and please keep us informed with future articles.

*J. P. in USA*

Dear Mr. Armstrong,  
Kudos for your excellent articles posted concerning the 'Hamas' victory and also Iranian plan to covert to "Euros for oil." Please continue your outstanding efforts.

*R. G. in Canada*

Dear Headquarter,  
[responding to Word From on Oil Exchange.] What an article!! The days of wine and roses are soon coming to a close. One thought..."Thy Kingdom Come".

*B. B. in Minnesota*

Dear Mr. Armstrong,  
Mr. Cumming's article "Iranian Oil Exchange...Declaration of War?" is excellent and at the same time very chilling and worrisome even though we know it means God's Kingdom is getting closer.

*D. J. in Washington State*

Dear Mr. Armstrong,  
I love Mr. Armstrong's TV programs! My boyfriend is new to all this. We watch the shows together. He now believes a lot that I do. He no longer does Christmas, Easter, Halloween, etc. We do all the Old Testament holy days, and my boyfriend is following all of this because he has read in the Bible for the first time what to do and not to do. Something I thought was that you are unlike other churches. You guys never asked for money!! Thanks for everything!! Love the website. It's very informative!!

*C. B. in Virginia*

Dear GTA Website,  
Thanks for your answer to my question. You know, if I had not found the truth about the Gospel of Christ instead of about Christ, I might have fallen for anything. In my early years I fell for Christmas and Easter and other supposedly holy days and really felt good when I participated in Church activities such as the live manger program or Easter sunrise service. I thank God that he opened my eyes and my ears to the truth, and I can now see beyond some of these ridiculous ideas that make people feel good, but have no substance. Thanks for all the work you and your staff do to provide us with God's true message of His Kingdom coming very soon to rule not only this earth where we dwell, but also His entire creation.

*P. in the USA*

Dear Mark,  
I think it's incredible how you have kept Garner Ted Armstrong's work alive through this website. He taught me so very much. I am still flabbergasted 28 years later.

*P. A. in the USA* □

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tember 11. You were either with us or against us, and we were determined to hunt down and destroy the terrorists wherever they hid. Well they're not hiding! Iran's president is shaking his hairy fist in our face nearly every day, threatening Israel with extermination and promising to defeat the "great Satan."

The rhetoric from our side is muted as we try to argue in defense of Israel's action in Lebanon. Have we completely lost our nerve? Have we totally lost the pride of our power?

A report just surfaced of an ancient book containing the Psalms being found this week in an "Irish bog." It is being treated as the Irish equivalent of the discovery of the

Dead Sea Scrolls. The book was reportedly found open to Psalm 83, and is being treated with great significance because of the obvious parallels to the terrible situation confronting Israel right now. It contains a plea to God to protect Israel from those who want to erase it from the earth. Psalm 83:1 - 5 reads, "Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still O God. For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent; they are confederate against thee."

It is a prayer we might well make on behalf of the United States as well as Israel. But God offers his promises of prosperity and protection to those who keep His laws, observe His Sabbaths and holy days and put their trust in Him. Isn't it interesting that Israel is the only nation on earth that pays national respect to the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship? Could it be that the phenomenal prosperity of the United States might be linked to our alliance with the only nation on earth that keeps God's Sabbath and holy days? A relative handful in this nation pay any mind to God's laws. Our religious leaders are foremost in demanding that His laws are not binding. Where will we turn when the first Islamic detonation hits our soil? To Kofi Annan? □

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