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*Quick review before we go forward. Here's what we've covered so far. **Foundation #1 GOD HOLDS US RESPONSIBLE TO KNOW THE TIME OF OUR VISITATION.** We're supposed to know what's going on. **Foundation #2 ISRAEL IS THE KEY TO UNDERSTANDING PROPHECY.** Enough said. **Crisis Point #1 –ISRAEL IS THE FOCAL POINT OF PROPHECY.** It's just as the prophets have said. The drive to establish a Palestinian state is pregnant with prophetic significance. **Foundation #3 THERE'S A PLAN FOR A NEW WORLD ORDER.** This is not a conspiracy theory. They've told us enough in their own words to make the case. Now, we are watching it unfold. And it matches exactly the way the Bible said it would go. **Crisis Point # 2 – COLLAPSING THE OLD SYSTEM.** A One World Economy is being built. The current, ongoing crisis will advance the cause. Now we take a bit of a turn. Looking again at both their words and the playing out of events we draw this conclusion. **Foundation #4 SOCIETY IS BEING PURPOSEFULLY CONDITIONED TO ACCEPT THE NEW AGE CHRIST***

### ANTICHRIST CONDITIONING

**“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God, and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the *spirit* of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.”** (1John 4:1-3)

Thought patterns are changing! Mindsets are being altered. That which was undeniably true for one generation, is questioned by the next, and the object of ridicule to the third. The picture that the Bible presents of the coming Antichrist and his reign is one of complete control; - a single world religion, populations with hand-stamped bar codes to buy and sell, the lock-step worship of the beast - the ultimate in 'Big Brotherism'. Coming on the heels of crisis, the Antichrist will take the world by storm through the charm of his personality and perceived wisdom to solve the 'unsolvable'. In a moment, after 6,000 years of conflict, humanity, (Arab & Jew, Indian & Pakistani), will turn to this “man of peace”.

The simple fact is this: The decadent trends that we see in the culture and the church and all corporate behavior are just preparing the way for the coming of the Antichrist. The Scripture clearly teaches that his spirit precedes him. Just as God has ordained certain specific events to prepare the way for the return of His Son; - Satan too is working to prepare the world for the emergence of his chosen one, the “**man of sin**”. (2Thessalonians 2:3) To this end, he is infiltrating the church, altering the culture and corrupting the hearts of men.

Perhaps the best way to frame all of this is in terms of the Grand Rebellion that was launched by Satan – in league with sinful mankind serving as his tools – against the Creator God of the Universe. Scripture tells us that the Antichrist, the “Man of Sin” will follow the worldwide confusion that will ensue after the rapture of the Church. Still, change of such magnitude cannot come without psychological and cultural preparation. As the Law and the Prophets were the necessary condition to prepare the way for Jesus' first coming to 1<sup>st</sup> century Palestine, so too the Devil is preparing the way for the ascendance of the Pretender who will inhabit the world scene for 7 awful years. It is all a part of a general conditioning that has been in the works for centuries and going on visibly in earnest for the last half-century or so. It has manifested itself in an all out assault on Christian-based Western Culture. John Loeffler of Konia House describes it as an ongoing process in which “*atheistic*

*humanism yields to socialistic pantheism*".<sup>1</sup> That is something much more akin to the prophesied religion of the Tribulation. Its most visible by-product is two-fold. The first is an acceptance of all things, - ultra-hyper TOLERANCE. The second is an animus toward all things Christian. The wonder is that this was able to manifest itself in the West, whose foundations once rested so firmly on the shared values of the Judeo-Christian tradition.

This is Foundation Point #4: SOCIETY IS BEING PURPOSEFULLY CONDITIONED TO ACCEPT THE NEW AGE CHRIST. This is NOT over the top nonsense. It is a reality that is traceable through the centuries. It has picked up steam in the last several decades but has been chugging along quite nicely for several hundred years. Since the onset of modern education it has attempted to alter the mind set of the young – creating a generation that would – once and for all – reject God – and accept the notion of a One World Government and a New World Order. The Gay Agenda is another vehicle of the advance of this mindset. We covered in our recent series on the phenomenon how the ‘Gaying’ of the culture was part of a plan hatched in the 1980’s – and it has played out exactly as originally schemed. Again, we have them in their own words. Next there is the general degradation of public morality. It began to plunge precipitously around the time that prayer was removed from the schools in the early 60’s. Finally their revolt settled in the institution formed and designed by Christ Himself to be the keeper of the Truth. But the New Morality says that there is no ‘TRUTH’. And thus the culture was compromised. Together this conditioning has produced a progressively Godless age.

2Timothy 3:1-5,7 describes our age perfectly in the words **“in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power....always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth”**. These words strike home. We’ve become a culture that is in complete revolt. Let’s look more closely at the passage above.

**“Lovers of themselves”**, - we’ve morphed into a society bent on satisfying our every whim. **“Lovers of money”**, - there exists a prosperity gospel that turns even Christianity into a get-rich-quick scheme. Go down the list and tell me that this does not define our society today. We are completely taken with fulfilling our own selfish desires. **“Lovers of pleasure”**, indeed! We have raised pleasing ourselves above pleasing God. Abortion has become the ‘Sacrament of Convenience’. Even life itself will not deter us from pursuing our own self-worship, - and in the case of embryonic stem cells, our pursuit of ersatz immortality. Today we have YouTube, a place where anyone can post their own self-promoting videos to achieve their 15 minutes of fame.

To measure how far we have fallen we need only survey some of the behaviors once dubbed illegal or immoral that are now an accepted part of the culture. The use of mind altering drugs, premarital sex, having babies out of wedlock, homosexual unions are all winked at, approved or reinforced by society. Cohabiting outside of marriage has become not only tolerated but normal. Because we have all become the arbiters of our own truth, - there is no right or wrong, - and all things are accepted.

We no longer **“Strive to enter through the narrow gate”**, but rather seek to justify our sins; - if we recognize the concept of sin at all. (Lk 13:24) Even within the professing church Biblical doctrines are denied and sin is tolerated. Much of the church as well as the culture at large has abandoned the notion of absolute truth in the name of tolerance. The hyper-tolerant post-modernist thinking will tell you that all ways lead to God. We do no favor to the lost by ignoring the reality of sin and evil and the need for salvation. In this warped way of thinking all things are relative. Thus it becomes impossible to **“...come to the knowledge of the truth”**.

This has created a world in which we live. It is **A Time of Rampant Immorality** – Matthew 24:12 tells us **“because lawlessness will abound the love of many will grow cold”**. In Luke 17:26 Jesus had said, **“And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man”**. One of the characteristics of the **“days of Noah”** was that it was a time of unbridled sexual lust and immorality. Sodomy was openly practiced and culturally approved. We see today the onset of Gay Marriage, openly homosexual clergy and the advent of advocates for even sex with children as evidenced by

NAMBLA, The North American Man-Boy Love Association. The porn industry is a multi-billion dollar business and standards of decency have plummeted in the media.

Thus we have created a culture devoid of meaning and Truth. Because we must accept every hare-brained idea as equal – we are left with a society that cannot differentiate between right and wrong. God is removed from our public discourse. There is no place for the God of the Bible in this new America. But the rot is not confined to the secular culture alone. How could it be? It took an abdication on the part of the Church to allow this to happen. The Church has abandoned its mission – because it lost sight of the Truth. It no longer believes the Truth. It may no longer believe that Truth even exists.

Thus we find the prophecy of 1 Timothy 4:1-3. In many of our Bibles we find a heading above it that reads: ‘The Great Apostasy.’ **“Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth”**. This passage describes the gradual falling away that has afflicted the Church almost from the beginning. Then about the middle of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, the pace of this falling away began to quicken with the onset in European circles of something called ‘Higher Criticism’. As this methodology of Bible interpretation gained steam, it called into question the long accepted and historically sound, foundational doctrines of the Faith. This is especially prevalent among ministers of some of the mainline Protestant denominations. Surveys have shown that a minority of Christian ministers in these bodies believe in the very foundational truths of Christianity as presented by the Scriptures. Segments of the Church are ignoring and sidestepping clear Biblical teaching on the divinity of Jesus, the virgin birth, the reality of the Resurrection, the existence of a hell, and the nature of sin. The Catholic Church has imposed its own man generated doctrines on its adherents, - even where they clearly contradict the dictates of Scripture.

Then there are the segments of the population that have bought into the myths advanced by Dan Brown and the DaVinci Code crowd absolutely denying the deity of Christ and thereby rejecting the saving power and true purpose of Jesus’ ministry. Others have adopted a ‘Cafeteria Christianity’, that combines Buddhist beliefs, or yoga or goddess worship, or whatever with some selected Christian belief’s and passages. After all, only sincerity matters! But Christ’s teachings are clear here. **“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me”**. (John 14:6)

But the modern form of this lie has taken on an even more virulent and deadly form. It has invaded the nominal Church. It has taken on the doctrines of the New Age and Paganism and clothed them with a veneer of mystic ceremonies and christianese terms. It is ultimately utterly meaningless and without power. The power of God that is! But oh yes, I suppose it does have a power of sorts – coming from the other side. It is a form of religion in which Man has created God in his own image. It is a god that is tolerant – that recognizes not sin – a religion which tells us that all paths lead to the same destination. I am reminded of an encounter I had not so many years ago.

At that time, circumstances put me in the company of a charming woman anxious to share her opinions. She was intelligent, well read and rather worried. Without prompting she opened her thoughts to me on; - the world situation, the unreliability of the Scriptures, (so many versions you know), the evil character of Israel, the relative nature of all truth, and of course, the identity of God. He was, she said, different to every person. *“We all perceive God differently”*. “Is there absolute Truth?”, I inquired. She thought not. I pointed out how Pilate seemed to think that same way, when he asked, *“What is truth?”*. *“Then I agree with him on that”*, she told me. As far as Jesus is concerned, she said, His message, boiled down to...well...we should be nice! *“Treat each other better you know. That’s what he taught. That’s what it’s all about.”* There it was; the Gospel of Man. So I shared with her the short version of the true Gospel as outlined in the Bible. I told her about the Cross: How Jesus died to pay for our sin. She looked at me strangely saying, *“What sin?”*. It was a very revealing question. I tried again with the message of God’s sacrificial love: That salvation is available to whosoever will believe. *“What you’re saying makes no sense to me”*, she pleaded sincerely. I recalled the words of 1 Corinthians 1:18, **“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”** Thus my latest brush with another committed acolyte of the Church of Man. Next time out we’ll begin to look at the various forms of that Church.

## **HEATING UP IN SEPTEMBER**

Like Sinatra sang: *“This cold be the start of something big!”* September could see the convergence of several trends and events that could make it a ‘September to Remember’. On September 20<sup>th</sup>, the UN is slated to consider the issue of Palestinian statehood. Countries continue to jump on that bandwagon. China was one announcing that they support the Palestinian bid. There is coming a day when the Lord says that He **“will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it.”** (Zechariah 12:3) Events are moving us closer to that time with every passing day. It is being reported that Israel and/or the United States may be getting ready for a strike against the Iranian nuclear facilities before that happens. Just a ‘rumor of war’? Perhaps?

Then there’s September 23<sup>rd</sup>. That’s the day we’ll find out whether Europe will expand the bailout of Greece and other troubled nations. This is a serious matter with far reaching implications. Merkel wants Germany to carry the load, bearing the brunt of the bailout. A UK Telegraph article by Ambrose Evans-Pritchard analyzed the situation. *“German Chancellor Angela Merkel no longer has enough coalition votes in the Bundestag to secure backing for Europe’s revamped rescue machinery, threatening a constitutional crisis in Germany and a fresh eruption of the euro debt saga....The seething discontent in Germany over Europe’s debt crisis has spread to all the key institutions of the state. ‘Hysteria is sweeping Germany’ said Klaus Regling, the EFSF’s director....The next month will decide her future, Germany’s destiny, and the fate of monetary union.”*<sup>2</sup> Looming in the wake of that September 23<sup>rd</sup> vote is the fate of Greece – and not so much further down the line – countries like Italy and Spain. As one analyst puts it: *“If Greece’s debt is rolled over without restructuring, its interest costs alone will amount to approximately 24% of GDP...nearly a quarter of Greece’s economic output will be gobbled up by interest repayments!”*<sup>3</sup> That’s clearly unsustainable. And it is that kind of finance that could well be the catalyst for a “Global Debt Meltdown”.

Finally, let’s consider September 17<sup>th</sup>. A group calling themselves ‘Anonymous’ has announced – and is drumming up support for some ‘*Takin’ it to the streets*’ action against several of the global financial centers. They are calling for its supporters to (non-violently) seize and occupy the Wall Street district in New York – as well as financial districts of London, Paris, Madrid, Milan and San Francisco.<sup>4</sup> Organizers are calling for a ‘Day of Rage’, the same name used for some of the revolutionary actions that swept the Middle East earlier this year. The Blaze is reporting that the demonstration is being *“orchestrated by a group of radicals — that reportedly include SEIU’s Stephen Lerner and ACORN founder Wade Rathke (who, coincidentally, formerly served as president of SEIU’s local New Orleans branch) — targeting Wall Street and U.S. capitalism.”* This newsletter has documented in the past the connections between ACORN and the radical movements of the 60’s. The current attack is being centered around the bank JP Morgan Chase. Rathke once described the proposed action as the *“anti-banking jihad”*. Lerner, who visited the Obama White House at least four times, set out the goals of the movement back in March. One such goal was to *“bring down the stock market”*.<sup>5 6</sup>

## **OH THOSE IRANIANS !**

The ancient nation of Persia – today’s Iran – just keeps making news on the prophetic front. Here’s three quick takes. Disturbed by the growth of an underground Christian Church movement – Iranian officials are seizing Bibles by the thousands and burning them. And President Ahmadinejad is continuing to run his mouth, revealing Iran’s and Islam’s true intentions toward Israel in the process. He said, *“whoever is for humanity should also be for eradicating the Zionist regime.”* If that wasn’t clear he said this: *“Recognition of a Palestinian state is the first step in the liberation of the entire Palestine.”* [I guess that about says it! Why are we expecting the Israelis to negotiate with these guys....??]<sup>7 8 9</sup>

## **WATCH YOUR RADIO**

On **September 10<sup>th</sup>**, Rob Palaszewski will be a guest of Ryan Loos on his program ‘Wise Up’ - on **WDCX**. The program runs from **12:30PM to 1:30PM on Saturdays**. WDCX can be found at 99.5 on the FM dial. Ryan & Rob will be discussing the financial / economic situation and its application to strategies as well its prophetic impact.

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<sup>6</sup> F. Vincent Vernuccio and Matthew Vadum , SEIU plans days of rage against Wall Street, Canada Free Press, July 18, 2011

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<sup>9</sup> Iran's Ahmadinejad: No place for Israel in region, Times Union, August 26, 2011