

**A NEW STRATEGIC REALITY – PART II**

*We've set the stage with the deep background of this emerging new geopolitical balance. Now lets look at just how its beginning to play out.*

**A RECIPE FOR CONFLICT**

It must be understood the underlying motivation for the hate displayed by the Islamic world for the West, for America and especially for Israel is not fully explainable in human terms. It is in fact demonically inspired. This makes for a strange contrast in the ways that the two sides are approaching the looming explosion. While her Arab and Persian neighbors are committed to the destruction of the Jewish State at almost any cost; - Israel's neighbors are terror-weary and willing to make peace at almost any price. They have seemingly forgotten the fact that it was only hours after the Palestinians occupied Gaza before the peace-loving Palestinians were launching rockets and lobbing mortars into Israel from better launching pads.

This is all part and parcel of what the Jerusalem Post called a “new, escalating, global, virulent and even lethal anti-Semitism”. Listen to the almost comedic hate-language spewing from Ahmadinejad's Iran. The Jews are referred to as “bloodthirsty barbarians”, “filthy bacteria” and a “cancerous tumor”. With his constant calls for the destruction of Israel, Ahmadinejad is sanctioning a policy of genocide against the Jewish people; - much like a certain German dictator before him in the 1930's & 40's. Taken together with a general support of terror against the West and calls for world-wide unification, (forced or otherwise), - under a soon-returning Mahdi: - It amounts to an agenda of global domination. Want fresh evidence? President will not disappoint. Just earlier this month he announced that “the Zionist regime...is about to die...Today, the time for the fall of the satanic power of the United States has come and the countdown to the annihilation of the emperor of power and wealth has started.” He then went on to reiterate his apocalyptic vision for the near future; - a vision that includes the triumphant return and military conquest by the Islamic messiah, the Mahdi. “With the appearance of the promised saviour...and his companions such as Jesus Christ, [the Islamic version called Issa], tyranny will soon be eradicated in the world”.<sup>1</sup> With his clearly spelled out warnings of his plan, Ahmadinejad is mirroring in many ways the political landscape of the late 30's, yet adding a religious element that only increases the danger.<sup>2</sup>

And this agenda extends around the region. In Iran, Syria, Lebanon / Hezbollah, Gaza / Hamas, the Palestinian Authority: Hate is the norm. In contrast again, a blindness pervades the Israeli and American leadership. They seem naively willing to believe the best in spite of the best evidence to the contrary. While Washington and Jerusalem grovel for peace, the Palestinians and their allies plan to take any concession they can get and destroy Israel anyway. [In the ongoing negotiations over the Golan, Syria is now demanding not only the land it occupied before the 1967 War, but part of the shores of Galilee; - Israeli held before that conflict.<sup>3</sup>] President Bush himself is playing into the game of highlighting Western weakness, by praising and supporting Palestinian President Abbas while his controlled media characterizes America on TV as “the greatest Satan in the world”. The US and Israeli governments continue to support the creation of a Palestinian State that would be founded on an ideology of hate and destruction of Israel, America, - and what they perceive of as the ‘Christian West’. This should come as no surprise. This is what is

taught in the Koran itself. “Do not befriend Jews and Christians”, reads Sura 5:51 Sura 9:5, confirms the sentiment, telling all good Muslims to “Kill the infidels wherever you find them”. Another verse urges them to “Fight the people of the Book (Christians & Jews again), and extort money from them”. (Sura 9:29) So with the practical and the religious, supporting a Palestinian State then seems a sort of willful insanity. The Palestinian Authority routinely takes a position supporting terror groups in Iraq and Hezbollah in southern Lebanon. Here are the words of one Palestinian lawmaker. “Allah, take hold of the Americans and their allies...Allah, count them and kill them to the last one”.<sup>4</sup> That my friends, is the Religion of Peace operating in full flower.

This cancer is spreading. In Lebanon for instance, one Arab leader is boasting how “We are seeing a redrawing of the map of the Middle East”: - And he is right. Hezbollah has effectively taken control of the Lebanese government; - a great victory for its Syrian and Iranian overlords. This only continues the process that began with Hamas’ control of Gaza and is making inroads in Jordan and Egypt. The moderate Arab regimes; - America’s putative allies; - are falling by the wayside in the region.<sup>5</sup> This all seems but a prelude to the fulfillment of Psalm 83, which so specifically lays out the nations that will come against Israel in the first of 2 prophetic wars. This Arab confederacy has one goal, as prophesied in the Scriptures: **“That the name of Israel be remembered no more”**. (Psalm 83:4)

Now all of this would be shaping up like just another chapter in the ongoing saga of Arab-Israeli wars, - (advantage Israel), - if it were not for one factor: Iran’s drive for a homegrown nuclear deterrent. And yes, that’s right, - I said ‘homegrown nuclear deterrent’. According to one Russian General and the former Director of the CIA Porter Goss, Iran already has nuclear weapons.<sup>6</sup> Stratfor Intelligence reported back in 2002 that Russian General Baluyevsky told a press briefing unequivocally that “Iran does have nuclear weapons”.<sup>7</sup> According to numerous sources, Iran acquired those nuclear weapons from former Soviet Republics back in the 1990’s.<sup>8</sup> Now however, Iran is on the verge of becoming doubly dangerous, by actualizing their ability to produce their own weapons, guaranteeing an unending supply. To that end they are hiding their progress from the IAEA, the UN nuclear watchdog agency. There is no real conceivable reason that oil rich Iran would need to develop nuclear power for domestic consumption. Add to that the fact that Tehran is the number one state sponsor of terror in the world. And they’ve offered the bet. Israel must be “wiped off the map”. And Iranian government officials have offered the requisite price. They’ve offered the lives of millions of their own citizens in return for the nuclear destruction of Israel.<sup>9</sup>

So while talking peace, Washington and Jerusalem are mulling the possibility of taking on the Iranian nuclear problem, - separate from a possible strike against Iranian Revolutionary Guard bases that are involved in the Iraq War. One Israeli paper reports that after his recent White House meeting with President Bush, Prime Minister Olmert was hinting that US action against Iranian nuclear facilities may be imminent. The Prime Minister referred to a timetable governing the severity of the threat and suggested that the situation would be taken care of before Bush left office. He told reporters that “We reached agreement on the need to take care of the Iranian threat”. The American President “understands the severity of the threat and the need to vanquish it, and intends to act on the matter before the end of his term in the White House”.<sup>10</sup> Days later, Deputy PM Mofaz drove home the point in even plainer language for the Olmert government. Mocking the Iranian President’s repeated prophecy of the looming disappearance of Israel, Mofaz warned that Ahmadinejad “would disappear before Israel does”. He continued: “If Iran continues with its programme for developing nuclear weapons, we will attack it. The sanctions are ineffective... Attacking Iran in order to stop its nuclear plans will be unavoidable.”<sup>11</sup> *Them sounds like fighting words to me!*

## **THE EVOLUTION MYTH – PART X**

[A series by guest contributor Pastor Lynn Zankl]

Hi Folks, Pastor Lynn again. This will be the second to the last of our conversations, and we will be talking about the origins of vertebrates. I want to preface our remarks with a quote from J. S. Gould, in a book entitled *Evolution Now: A Century after Darwin*. “The absence of fossil evidence for intermediary stages between major transitions in organic design, indeed our inability, even in our imagination, to construct functional intermediates in many cases, has been a persistent and nagging problem for gradualistic accounts of evolution”.<sup>12</sup> The story of the origin of invertebrates picks up where the evolution of invertebrates left off. The fact that both have a common pattern of embryo development links them, according to the evolutionists, and so all vertebrates come from the same echinoderm-like ancestor. We should point out that evolution is not considered an upward process that ultimately leads to some goal. If it did, we could then say that the bacteria of today are therefore more highly evolved than humans, because they have been evolving longer and are more oriented toward the goal. It would give clear evidence of evolution as an information gaining process, clearly showing the relationships between bacteria evolving into birds, birds into mammals, and mammals into man. It would at the same time show the complete evidence of how some functions were gained and some functions were lost, to create an advantage. The truth is----that that evidence is not clear at all.

In a more simplistic view of evolution, hagfish and lampreys, evolved from some invertebrate chordate, the bony fish and cartilaginous fish, evolved from some nameless ancestor of the lamprey group, amphibians evolved from some ancestor of the bony fish, reptiles evolved from the amphibian, and birds and mammals evolved from the reptiles. The details of how this all happened are not available, and therefore this can all be characterized as Historical Science, because no one today was there to witness it, and there is no fossil record of the sequencing. These gaps in the record are commonly called by evolutionists, “milestones” and “key adaptations”, and are taught in our text books without any attempt at supporting the evidence. We find such things as, Amphibians evolved from an unknown fish ancestor 370 million year ago. Developing legs, lungs, and a three chambered heart, gave them an evolutionary advantage.<sup>13</sup> Then there is this, Birds have adapted to a life of flight by evolving modified forelimbs, feathers, a four chambered heart, air sacs, and hollow bones. Some birds lost their wings through evolution.<sup>14</sup> My question to you then is “Where’s the beef?” Where is the proof of the transitional forms? At this time the fossil record shows major phyla abruptly appearing and fully formed.

As these evolutionary changes developed, major changes had to occur. From fish to amphibians, how to breath on land, how to handle gravity differentials on land or in water. How to develop reproduction without the aide of water. As it moved on from amphibians to reptiles, how to develop lungs to breath on land only, and how to oxygenate the blood through the lung. To develop an appetite for land vegetation over aquatic vegetation. Then as the evolution continued from reptiles to birds and mammals, vast changes had to occur. Evolutionists teach today that birds evolved from the dinosaur, in fact from the theropod dinosaur. This is the same family as the t-rex comes from, think of the vast evolutionary changes seemingly in reverse to go from the mighty t-rex to little red robin. Today, the bird is considered to be a form of living dinosaur, this was the designation just a few years ago of the crocodile. To prove their hypothesis scientists today are trying to place feathers on dinosaurs where no feathers are evident in the fossil record, and when any theropod remains are discovered, scientists are trying to place feathers on them in their descriptions. Recently, theropod remains discovered in China and described as having feathers, was proven as frauds, and later the account of the feathers was removed from the description. Even among our text books there is

confusion, one saying feathers evolved from scales, another saying feathers most likely did not evolve from scales, and a third implying that perhaps feathers evolved from scales, but there's no proof. They teach these things to our children as fact, and yet they aren't sure of the facts themselves.<sup>15</sup>

Though the evolutionists claim to have a clear picture of the evolution of invertebrates, there is a problem in the details. Just because things "should" have happened in a certain way, does not mean that they did. The lack of an information-gathering mechanism is still the most effective argument against the evolutionary "tree of life". The fossil record and living examples of vertebrates support the creationists "orchard" model, with the creation of all vertebrates on days 5 and 6 of the creation week.<sup>16</sup> Until the next time.

## **YADAS**

**Progress On The Plan:** We've seen how the One World Government types use crisis, whether naturally occurring or manufactured to move the world toward a unified political / economic / religious system. Remember, the concentration of power among these interests originates and is centered among the international bankers. So take in these calls for a unified economic system as prophesied in Revelation 13.

Citing the exploding price of oil, - (up 500% since 2001), - the plummeting dollar, - (it lost 85% of its value since that time), - and the rising cost of energy and food, the Asia Times is leading the way in calling for one Central World Bank to deal with the crisis. This World Bank would of course provide us with a world currency, to replace the dollar in international trade. All of this should be under the auspices of the UN and the International Monetary Fund.<sup>17</sup> Wait a minute, aren't those the same people that would stand to benefit most? Seconding that motion was the current head of the Federal Reserve of New York.<sup>18</sup> The G8, the heads of the world's most advanced economies, went one further by proposing that the oil crisis be addressed by global "intervention" to ensure energy cooperation.<sup>19</sup> *Globally 'ensured cooperation': Mmmm. Oxymoron? Are we their yet?*

**Ending Free Speech In Canada-** The Alberta Human Rights Tribunal thinks this is a good idea. In 2002 Pastor Stephen Boisson wrote a letter to the editor to his local paper in which he expressed his opposition to the spread of homosexuality from a Biblical perspective. In the letter he characterized gay activism as wicked and pointing out that "subjected to psychologically and physiologically damaging pro-homosexual literature and guidance" in the public schools. For his trouble he has just been ordered to pay \$5,000 for "pain and suffering" to the complainant. In addition, "Mr. Boissoin and The Concerned Christian Coalition" were forbidden to express their opinion in any public forum and to remove "disparaging remarks" against homosexuals from websites and publications.<sup>20</sup>

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