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REBUILDING THE TOWER

“Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves”.
(Genesis 11:4)

“[L]et us create regional continental units...the European Union, an American Union...and the five continents, if they're united, will create a World Union.” (Former UN Assistant Secretary General Robert Muller, 1997)¹

Robert Mundell: “...a global single currency could not be achieved without a global government”.² *That's their goal!*

The big news coming out of the G20 meetings came in the form of a cool \$1trillion that the International Monetary Fund will be given to lend out to create credit and jobs around the world. \$750 billion of that can be used as loans used to ‘rescue’ nations in trouble.^{3 4} This is all part of a two-pronged drive going on across the globe in the last several months to; - increase international control over the economy while consolidating power in the various national governments. That increasing control of business by government, was pioneered during the 1920's & 30's by Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany. It saw its first flower in American form when President Obama effectively exercised the power to fire the head of the auto giant GM. Now the bankers may be the next on the chopping block. The Politico reported on a meeting between the President and the heads of several of the country's major banks. As they made the case for the high salaries paid at their firms President Barack Obama wasn't in a mood to hear them out. He stopped the conversation and offered a blunt reminder of the public's reaction to such explanations. “Be careful how you make those statements, gentlemen. The public isn't buying that. My administration,” the president added, “is the only thing between you and the pitchforks.”⁵ That's an incredible statement that reveals how far we've come. It was an only slightly veiled threat of mobs and revolution. And the President of the United States was marshalling its use to achieve his ends. At the same time a piece in the Wall Street Journal tells the story of a bank that accepted a bit less than \$1billion last fall and now wants to give it back. Only the Obama administration won't let it. It wants the control instead. According to the story, “The bank has also been threatened with ‘diverse’ consequences if its chairman persists” in trying to return the money.⁶

But such is the nature of government in this changing era when ‘global governance’ is the new trend and rage. The fact is that any bailout based on artificially expanding the money supply can be but a temporary bandage. The world's central banks are creating so much money so fast that it will be almost impossible to control and shrink the money supply again when the economy does begin to move. Right now the total cost in the US is about \$14trillion. And yet in the short run we are so spooked that we have not witnessed the inflation that should be apparent.⁷ But as you follow the money, this seems no mistake. One analyst sees this as “a policy fiasco built to bring down the United States altogether”.⁸ But it could be months or years before the effects really kick in. It is the fact that the American economy is producing significantly under capacity that is keeping prices from rising right off. In the short term, inflation may not be a problem. But like flood waters behind a dam, the pressure will build and as analyst Bill Bonner puts it, “very suddenly, investors will see the threat”. Eventually everyone will see that all these dollars they're holding are little more than paper. And the final crash could come in a matter of a few short days or even hours.⁹

That's why the Russians and the Chinese are maneuvering toward engineering a new world currency to replace the dollar. With every bailout the American currency is losing real value. Many see the collapse of that currency into “absolute worthlessness”. And that's what could pave the way for a regional currency like the amero for a combined North America, or even a global currency solution.¹⁰ That after all, is the eventual goal. Doubt it not! As far back as 1991, the Dallas branch of the Federal Reserve was making the case for a North American currency that would replace the dollar and the peso. The Bank of Canada explored the same issue in a series of papers put out in the 90's.¹¹ Writing in 1998, one economist predicted that “the transition to a single currency for the entire world could come with a speed that might surprise many.”¹² The weakness of the American dollar and the challenge from emerging economies like China are bringing that end ever closer. The “father of the euro” Robert Mundell, freely predicts that “International monetary reform” will come only as the result of “the threat of a global crisis”.¹³ That theme of ‘worldwide crisis’ serving the goal of global unity, is a common one among those seeking the New World Order. Former Federal Reserve head Paul Volcker put it even more succinctly: “A global economy requires a global currency”.¹⁴

In just the last couple weeks they were joined by Robert Zoelick, President of the World Bank, - one of those organizations benefiting from the G20 money and favored vehicle in the drive toward the euphemistically dubbed “global governance”. Listen to his words. “If leaders are serious about creating new global responsibilities or governance, let them start by modernizing multilateralism to empower the WTO, the IMF, and the World Bank Group *to monitor national policies.*” Like so much of what’s going on, just follow the \$ and you’ll get a clearer picture of just what’s going on. It is the very international banker elites that are drawing the most benefits from the current crisis. It is no surprise then that Zoelick is closely connected with Fannie Mae, Goldman Sachs, the CFR, the Trilateral Commission and the Bildeberg Group. *Ja! Das ist just da uber-rich consolidating power!*¹⁵

This drive for One World Government was fleshed out a bit in a *Financial Times* editorial published last December dubbed “And Now For World Government”. Foreign affairs writer for the prestigious paper found such a development, “for the first time...plausible”. He envisioned something more than increased cooperation. “It would be an entity with state-like characteristics, backed by a body of laws.” He then went on to point to the EU as a model with its own court, currency, civil service and “the ability to deploy military force”.¹⁶ Sounds very much like the coming government of the Antichrist, - the man of sin.

Still, for ages, - since the time of Nimrod and the Tower of Babel, - it has been the goal of many to set up housekeeping here on the earth without regard to God and His laws. They are rebuilding the Tower, as it were; - a signal of the triumph of Man over God! And they are without shame in this pursuit. Here are the words of David Rockefeller, founder of the Trilateral Commission and key member of the Bildebergs. “Some...believe we are part of a secret cabal working against the best interests of the United States, characterizing my family and me as ‘internationalists’ and of conspiring...to build a more integrated global political and economic structure – one world, if you will. If that is the charge, I stand guilty, and am proud of it”.¹⁷ In their arrogance, they have tried God and found Him wanting, - or irrelevant. However it was really they who are on trial. **“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools”.** (Romans 1:20-22)

HE’S COMING – PART III

Matthew 24:36 reads, “But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.” So no one can speak from Sinai on this matter. Yet just the very fact that we cannot know the moment of Christ’s return for His Church, argues that the Rapture will occur before the time of Tribulation that will come upon the earth. This week we will begin to examine the Scriptural evidence for the Pre-Tribulation Rapture.

The Case For The Pre-Trib Rapture

Understanding the timing of the Rapture would seem to require an understanding of just what God has revealed about the End of the Age. We are given serious clues about this in the writings of the Prophet Daniel, as well as the Gospels of Matthew, and Luke. Before His coming in final coming in judgment, Christ told us the world will see a time of **“...great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be”** (Matthew 24:21) Jesus’ return as judge will be preceded by events so terrible that **“unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved”**. (Matthew 24:22) Christ described the events of those days to His disciples: **“For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows”**. (Matthew 24:7-8) He goes on to detail events on the earth just prior to his coming in glory. **“Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.”** (Matthew 24:29-30) Even a cursory look through the Book of Revelation fleshes out for the reader a seven year period of disease, war, natural disasters, persecution and economic dictatorship unprecedented in the annals of man.

But to understand the meaning and something of the timing of these future events, let’s look at what the prophet Daniel has to say. God revealed to Daniel, much of the outline of history; - the rise and fall of nations and kings as well as a very accurate schematic of God’s plan for the end of the age. **“Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy. “ Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times. And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood,**

And till the end of the war desolations are determined. Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate.” (Daniel 9:24-27)

Yeah that’s a mouthful! Yet these verses contain an amazing prophecy of incredible accuracy that clues us into the timing and meaning of much of God’s plan for redemption. In this little passage, 3 verses in all, is contained an incredibly accurate picture of both Christ’s first coming and His return in the last days. Let’s break it down. Here’s Daniel 9:24 again in another translation. **“Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy.”** This is a summary of the timing of God’s entire redemptive plan. The **“seventy sevens”** (shabuum in the Hebrew means 7-year periods), refer to 70 weeks of years, or 490 years that God determined to **“put an end to sin”**, to pay for that sin, and in general, to complete His plan of salvation. But 490 years from when? Well **“from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem”**. Then it breaks that down; - 7 weeks + 62 weeks **“Until Messiah the Prince”**. It’s telling us that there will be 483 years from some command to rebuild Jerusalem until the arrival of God’s Son. Then it tells us the **“Messiah shall be cut off”**, - or killed.

So when did this all occur? Well, back in the 1890’s, Sir Robert Anderson, Biblical scholar and former head of Scotland Yard, investigated the prophecy in detail. It gets pretty cool here. He found the proclamation to rebuild Jerusalem recorded in Nehemiah 2:1-8. It came out on the 1st day of the Hebrew month of Nisan, in our year 445 BC.¹⁸ Anderson used the calculations of the Royal Observatory to determine that the exact day of the decree was March 14, 445 BC. So he started counting forward the 483 years, to see where that would take him. He had to count using the 360-day-year Hebrew calendar. It worked out to 173,880 days. That brought it to exactly April 6, AD 32; the first Palm Sunday.¹⁹ History records that that was the day that Jesus rode into Jerusalem, finally accepting the public proclamation of His Holy Office as Messiah / King.²⁰ (God, through Daniel, - had gotten it right to the very day! Go figure!) Just a few days later Jesus was killed, fulfilling that part of the prophecy. (It is believed that it was this very prophecy that sent the Magi looking for Jesus at His birth, and that led the Essenes, keepers of the Dead Sea Scrolls, to live their hermit-like life in the desert. Many Jews in 1st century Palestine were expecting the Messiah!)

Then the prophecy describes what was to follow: - the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. **“And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.”** Jesus too made that same prediction in Luke. In verse 6, speaking of the Temple Jesus says: **“the days will come, in which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.”** That was fulfilled by the Romans in AD 70. The 2nd Temple had burned during the Roman Army’s brutal suppression of the Jewish rebellion, melting all the gold inside. The Roman soldiers tore down every stone in a greedy attempt to recover it. Another amazing, - and exact fulfillment of prophecy. During the course of the war, the Romans slaughtered over a million Jews, and began the process of scattering the rest. That scattering was essentially finished in AD 132, when the Romans suppressed another Jewish revolt led by Bar Kochba, who many saw as the promised Messiah. At that point Daniel then refers to an indeterminate period of time until **“the end of the war desolations are determined”**. In Matthew 21:24, Jesus described the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70 and the period following with its dispersal of the Jews to the far corners of the earth, - and their enforced removal from control of Palestine and Jerusalem. **“And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.”** It can be argued that the “times of the Gentiles” was fulfilled in 1967, when the fledgling, re-born nation of Israel recaptured Jerusalem during the 6-Day War. The thing to remember is that Daniel’s prophecy primarily concerns God’s dealings with the nation of Israel. **“Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people”**, says Daniel 9:24. Chuck Missler points out that the Church was not present for the first 69 weeks of prophecy, nor will it be there for the 70th.²¹ The already 2,000 year period, known as the **“times of the Gentiles”**, is but an interlude between that 69th and 70th week.

What this all means is that the coming 7-year Tribulation, the 70th week of Daniel, will mark the completion of God’s prophetic plan for the Jewish nation.²² In other words God’s plan went through the first 69 weeks of Daniel’s prophecy. Then the prophetic time clock stopped, - at the crucifixion, - and will resume when the **“times of the Gentiles”** is complete. Romans 11:25 concurs that Israel will remain in **“blindness...until the fullness of the Gentiles is come in”**.

When will this Tribulation occur? Paul gives a sign to watch for. **“Let no man deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed”**. (2Thessalonians 2:3) The Day of the Lord will not happen until a great apostasy, or falling away from the previously held tenets of the Faith has occurred.²³ A couple of verses later, Paul continues the thought. **“And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed.”** (2Thessalonians 2:6-8)

Notice that the **“falling away”** or Great Apostasy is what prepares the way for the appearance of the **“lawless one”**, or Antichrist.

Now in the verses just quoted, it is **“He who restrains”** that will be **“taken out of the way”**. That **“He”** is a person: It is the Holy Spirit, who lives in every member God’s true church. Scripture indicates that the Holy Spirit will not be removed from the earth during the Tribulation. In fact His presence is what makes possible the sealing of the 144,000 Jewish evangelists, and the saving of the millions of ‘Tribulation saints’.²⁴ But His influence will be greatly diminished when the Church of true believers is taken out. This is what allows the rise of **“the man of sin”**. To many scholars, this seems the best explanation of this passage in 2Thessalonians 2.

An interesting confirmation can be found in Jesus’ own words recorded in Matthew 25:1-13. It is a parable of the rapture of the Church. **“Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. “And at midnight a cry was heard: ‘Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. “Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us!’ But he answered and said, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.”**

The ten virgins represent the “Professing Church”. But not all are truly saved. In Scripture oil often represents the Holy Spirit. All true believers are indwelt with the Holy Spirit at salvation. Not everyone in church is saved. **“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.”** (Matthew 7:21) In the parable of the virgins, Jesus clearly states here that some will be ready and some will not. It is significant that Christ uses a marriage feast as an illustration. In Revelation 19, Jesus’ union with His Church is described as the **“marriage supper of the Lamb”**, the Church referred to as His “wife”. In Matthew 9:15, Jesus refers to Himself as **“the bridegroom”**. Those who are saved, will go **“in with him to the marriage”**. It is worth noting that to the others, **“the door was shut”**. Again, in the light of this parable, only a pre-Tribulation rapture makes sense. As Todd Strandberg of Rapture Ready puts it, if God’s saints weren’t pulled out until after the rapture, they won’t “need to seek the Lord because they’ll immediately be confronted by Him and His army of angels”.²⁵ Next week we will close our case for the pre-Trib rapture.

COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH – 10 AM to NOON - THE BIBLE & TODAY’S NEWS – An End Times Forum with a Q & A Discussion – with Rob Palaszewski – at My Father’s House – 140 Pound Rd Elma, NY, 14059

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