### Who is Responsible?

Six signs of Babylon the Great and the major cause of the state of America! Fred R. Coulter—September 18, 2021

Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services!

I don't know about you, but the news this last week was pretty heavy; a lot of difficult things going on. What I want you to do is watch two segments on Church at Home, special segments covering what's going on. We'll cover it from a different angle here today.

### 1. God's Judgment is Upon Us: Will We Repent?

That's with all of these things going on; various forms of judgment. Will we repent? That's what God is looking to!

#### 2. God Judges All Nations All the Time

Through His laws and everything that He has made, He is judging everybody all the time everywhere in the world. *Think about that!* 

So, God works on the individual level, and He works on the national level, community level, and God is no respecter of persons!

None of these things come as a surprise. How many years have we preached these things. I remember back in 1969 in Boise, Idaho, that we were all getting ready to go to Petra.

Matt. 24 tells us an outline from the time of Jesus Christ—in talking to His disciples—to His return. That's quite a thing! We've heard these over and over again. Remember that the first one was disciples came and said:

Oh, look at the temple and the gorgeous buildings, how wonderful that is.

Of course that is the place where God put His name, so what did Jesus say? You see this, I tell you there will not be one stone left upon another that will not be thrown down!

That alone ought to tell you that where the Mosque of Omar is, is not where the temple stood. You don't need anything else. You don't need 'experts' to tell you. Then it tells what's going to happen. These come in cycles and waves.

We're right now in a big cycle of a lot of things happening, because let's see what it is, what we are up against.

### Six things in this society or the six signs of Babylon the Great and who are involved:

1. religion

- 2. all governments
- 3. business—all these big corporations
- 4. education at every level—from daycare onto whatever profession you get into
- 5. media—all forms; it's not quite shutdown, yet; we can still preach and write
- 6. all entertainment—movies, videos, whatever form of entertainment that there is

All are controlled by Satan! Every bit of it! There's only just a little bit that's not. But think on this: IF they can shutdown Trump, we're nothing! We're like a little switch on the wall—click! That tells you where things are going.

Let's look at what God has said, and look at the things that are going on!

Matthew 24:5: "For many shall come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ'; and they shall deceive many." *That's sure the way it is today!* All kinds of preachers everywhere!

Verse 6: "And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars. See *that* you do not let *these things* disturb you. For it is necessary *that* all *these* things take place, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in *different* places" (vs 6-7).

That is that all of these have come in cycles. Every time they come in cycles, someone says that *the Lord is near!* But they miss the one important thing here in Matt. 24 that tells us when it's going to be. We'll look at it in just a minute.

We gave John Guenther's *The Church of God Triumph's Over Babylon*, which is the history of the Church. But you go back and see what happened to every prophet of God. They didn't believe them and were ready to kill them. They wanted to kill Jeremiah. They killed the other prophets as Jesus said.

Verse 9: "Then shall they deliver you up to affliction, and shall kill you; and you shall be hated by all nations for My name's sake."

Notice the amount of hate that is in the world today everywhere on a vast scale. Now with the masks and everybody locked in, that makes it even worse.

Verse 10: "And then shall many be led into sin..."

That has happened on a vast scale!

Especially through education! Look what they have done to all in education. We're going to talk about something in a minute that is very important and very shocking, indeed!

"...and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another; and many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many" (vs 10-11).

This is what's going on, and how did we get to this point of lawlessness? *Through Christianity!* Lawlessness! We've see a foretaste of it last summer (2020); just a foretaste! You analyze what's going on: those are the same tactics that Hitler used when He came to power—exactly!

### Verse 12: "And because <u>lawlessness shall</u> be multiplied..."

Multiplied is almost hard to fathom, because it's like 2x2=4; 4x4=16; 16x16; 32x32, and you on down the line and pretty soon it affects everybody, and *nobody has any morals!* 

In the middle of all of it is this. This is the only glimmer of sanity left. But it has to be done, and God has prepared the way with all the digital Bibles and all of the printed Bibles, with the knowledge of His Word. Yet, there is less knowledge of God in the churches today than there was a hundred years ago.

# Verse 14: "And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be proclaimed in all the world for a witness to all nations, and then shall the end come."

We were talking the other night as to why the Jews don't know where the temple that they're going to build is going to be built. They think that it's where the Mosque of Omar is. Have any of those stones been removed one from another? <u>or</u> Are they still in the same place?

They're still in the same place because that was Fort Antonia, the Roman fortress. It was Roman property. South of it was where the temple stood. A lot of people know where it is, and they've told the Jews over and over again, 'it's not here, it's there.'

But until the chief rabbi says where the place is, they won't believe it. The Jewish authorities of Judaism will not accept any truth from a Gentile! *You got that?* Even though they're right!

Verse 15: "Therefore, when you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the Holy place."..."

Think about what that means! "...the Holy place...." Is inside a temple. That means there has to be a temple. Some people say that all they need to do is designate a Holy piece of ground and setup an

altar there and that will be enough. Well, if it's an altar, the one who is going to do the 'abomination of desolation' is he going to stand right there?

"...standing <u>in</u>... [within] ...the Holy place.' (The one who reads, let him understand.)" (v 15). That was inserted there, a parenthetical statement, with the final canonization of the New Testament, because none of the apostles understood.

Most of them were dead! They read what Paul wrote about the abomination of desolation standing in the Holy place, the man of sin, the son of perdition, whom Christ is going to destroy with the brightness of His coming! So, that has to be at Christ's coming!

They looked at that and they looked at Jerusalem and they said that there was no abomination of desolation when Titus' army tore down everything to get the gold. So, John had to put the parenthetical statement there. He said he didn't know, so "...The one who reads, let him understand."

Let's see what else is necessary. Here we are, right up close. It's going to take them a little while to build the temple, so that will give everybody a little understanding of what to do.

Dan. 2—remember that this is 2500 years ago. Just a couple of verse to see what's going on in the world. After he received what the vision was and what it meant, here was Daniel's prayer:

Daniel 2:20: "Daniel answered and said, 'Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, for wisdom and might are His. And <u>He [God] changes</u> the times and the seasons... [God is control of everything] ...<u>He removes kings and sets up kings</u>...." (vs 20-21).

So, if Donald J. Trump is listening, read that! That's why you lost the election. It may have been because of lots of lies and being stolen, but you lost it because God didn't want you there. Whether He wants you back or not will depend on whether you repent.

"...He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding. He reveals the deep and secret things; He knows what *is* in the darkness, and the light dwells with Him" (vs 21-22).

This is the God who is controlling everything that's going on. Let's look at another one.

Jer. 18—God is waiting to find out how many are going to repent and who is going to repent. There are some people that we would never have thought of that are doing and planning things that are absolutely grotesque, *satanic to the core!* They are

the elite, and people don't think that they would do things like that. I'll bring it out in just a minute.

Put your name here in Jer. 18, because God wants to mold into us the very character of Jesus Christ. So, He told Jeremiah to go down to the potter's house and watch him make a vessel. He watched and the potter made a vessel that wasn't any good, so he smashed up the clay and made another one.

Here's the direct lesson, and you can apply this to a nation, to a church, to a group of people, to yourself, and ask:

- What is God doing with me?
- What am I doing with God?

That's all important with our relationship with God now at the present time!

Jeremiah 18:6: "O house of Israel, can I not do with you *even* as this potter?' says the LORD. 'Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hands, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel."

Every intellectual in the world needs to understand that verse. You are not what you think you are. And doing what you're trying to accomplish is absolutely satanic, as you will see!

Remember that God sets up nations and takes down nations, *kings!* 

Verse 7: "<u>If</u>... [every *if* is a condition on people] ...at any time I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck it up and to pull it down, and to destroy *it*... [tie in Dan. 2] ...if that nation, against whom I have spoken, will turn from their evil..." (vs 7-8).

That's where we are right now, and there's a lot more evil than just the things that we see.

"...I will repent of the evil that I thought to do to them. And if at any time I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build it and to plant *it*; **if it does evil in My sight**, **that it not obey My voice**, then I will repent of the good with which I said I would do them good" (vs 8-10).

Notice to how this applies right now today with what's going on. All you have to do is turn on your news and watch it.

Verse 11: "Now, therefore, speak to the men of Judah, and to the people of Jerusalem, saying, 'Thus says the LORD, "Behold, <u>I am forming evil against you</u>... [Is that not what's happening to America?] ...and devising a plan against you. Return now, each one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good."" *They could do that!* 

Let's look at it perhaps a little more like God looks at it, because there are things going on in the scientific world where men are trying to be God. I'll bring that out in just a minute. Notice who God indicts *first!* All the average people? *No! The intellectuals, the elite!* They are doing things in secret in many nations of the world and coordinating it. I'm going to read part of a report that is going to be startling!

Romans 1:18: "Indeed, *the* wrath of God is revealed from heaven upon all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the Truth in unrighteousness."

The Christianity of this world has done that! And the whole educational system from pre-school up through graduate PhD. Some have two or three PhDs. That's an abbreviation for 'piled higher and deeper'!

Verse 19: "Because that which may be known of God is manifest among them, for God has manifested *it* to them; for the invisible things of Him are perceived from *the* creation of *the* world, being understood by the things that were made—both His eternal power and Godhead—so that they are without excuse" (vs 19-20). *They have no excuse to anyone, let alone God!* 

Verse 21: "Because when they knew God... [that was a long time ago; they don't know God] ...they glorified *Him* not as God, neither were thankful; but they <u>became vain in their own</u> reasonings... [their own intellectual minds; they worship their minds and each other] ...and their foolish hearts were darkened. While professing themselves to be *the* wise ones, they became fools" (vs 21-22).

What do you suppose that they are doing? Jonathan got this for me on the Internet, because on Newsmax one the of the commentators—Dick Morris—said that the way they're going to solve the abortion problem is that when the baby is viable enough they will take the baby from the womb and put it in an artificial womb.

Guess when they started on that? 1957! It's called an 'artificial uterus' and 'artificial womb'

Article: <u>Artificial Womb</u> (Wikipedia) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Artificial\_womb

An **artificial uterus** or **artificial womb** is a device that would allow for extracorporeal pregnancy by growing a fetus outside the body of an organism that would normally carry the fetus to term.

So, they have it all hooked up with pumps and pipes, and everything like this. But God made the female

of humans, and every species, perfect for reproduction of life.

But these men want to do it *their way!* They have actually produced an artificial womb that will carry a lamb embryo to 13 weeks. They created a law so that it would look decent, I guess, I don't know why!

In 2016, scientists published two studies regarding human embryos developing for thirteen days within an ecto-uterine environment. Currently, a 14-day rule prevents human embryos from being kept in artificial wombs longer than 14 days.

They can change that any time they want to. But think about what kind of people would come from that: <u>no father, no mother, no love!</u> They might have artificial things like music and voices to try an simulate it, but tests have shown...

They did one test during the time Frederick the Great. They took babies and had the mothers bring them to birth and take care of them, cuddle them and everything. Then they had another group of babies that they took away from their mothers and were just with keepers. The only thing that keepers did was feed them.

That's all an artificial womb will do. They might simulate the sound of a mother's heart and voice to make it a little more realistic if it's in the artificial womb. But can you imagine what kind of hideous human being will come from that? The ones who didn't have any love, the babies that didn't have any care (in the Frederick the Great experiment) died!

God has made the perfect way! But these intellectuals... I'll tell you one way to stop it cold—which God may do—and that is *a massive depression where there is no money for them to do anything!* That would stop them.

This has been going on a long time! Here's a whole report about how they're doing it, and it's in 12 other countries. They all communicate with each other.

Have you ever heard of that? I never heard of it! I was astonished that it was true! Think about what's going through the minds of these individuals. Think of how exalted they are in their mind of what they're doing. That's why it could be any time, because God knows all of this. We don't know it; I didn't know it! How many people out there in the world know it? Probably very few! But God is looking at that and saying, 'You're tinkering with My creation!'

There are many places in the Bible where God brings everything up to a certain point. There

are many places where He brings it up to the last days.

### Deuteronomy 4:23: "Take heed to yourselves..."

That's one of the most important statements in the Bible! **God wants us to:** 

- discipline ourselves
- control ourselves
- yield ourselves to God
- do His will
- live the way He wants us to

### "...<u>lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your</u> God..." (v 23).

How many Protestant preachers could you talk to that would even have a clue what that means. They don't even know where the ten tribes of Israel really are.

"...which He made with you..." (v 23).

Think about that in relationship to us with the New Covenant, and how important it is living in the days that we're living in, that we are faithful to what God has said.

- it's easy to be faithful if there's no stress
- it's easy to be faithful when everything is handed to you on a platter

It's so easy that you forget to be zealous! And diligent! That's called being spoiled!

"...and make you a graven image, a likeness of anything, which the LORD your God has forbidden you" (v 23).

- Where are most of the false gods found?
- Are they in a building? *No!*
- Are they in a museum? *No!*
- How much will it take for people to really learn?
- Did the children of Israel really learn at any time? Maybe for a little while!
- Did all the suffering that the Jews and other people went through Europe in WWII—not only in the concentration camps, in the bombings and shootings—learn anything?

Well, they have a museum to the Holocaust in a couple of cities in the United States, and over near Jerusalem.

Did that bring them to repentance to God?
No!

Had that brought them to repentance to God, things over there in the so-called Holy Land—the bloodiest place on the face of the earth—would be entirely different.

When something comes along to correct you, *it's God!* It's not the enemy! 'Oh, the enemies are doing this! The enemies are doing that! The enemies...' No! You are against God wherever you are, not just the Jews. Wherever you re in the world!

- Why? *Notice that it's the leaders!*
- Who is causing all the problems in America right now? *One man!*

#### God is doing it to punish us to see if we will repent!

Ezekiel 14:1: "And some of the elders of Israel came to me and sat before me. And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their hearts..." (vs 1-3).

That's where all the false gods are, *in the heart and mind* of people.

- What does it say about the last days?
- What did Paul write? In the last days perilous time will come because men shall be lovers of self!

That's an idol in their brain, of themselves!

"...and put the stumbling block of their iniquity before their faces. Should I at all be inquired of by them? Therefore, speak to them, and say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD, 'Every man of the house of Israel who sets up his idols in his heart, and puts the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and comes to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him according to the multitude of his idols"" (vs 3-4).

Notice the next verse; this is what we're up against. That's why if you've been watching the news.... I just as soon turn off the news and watch a baseball game or something, because the news is so ludicrous.

Verse 5: "So that I may take the house of Israel in their own heart because they have deserted Me for their idols—all of them."

Everyone makes his own way; going to do the way *they want to do it!* Rather than find out:

- Where is God?
- What does God want?
- How can I love God?
- How can I keep His commandments?

That's what's important! That's why it's so frustrating living in this world and seeing all of this stuff going on! It's crazy! It is crazy!

## Why? Because crazy people are in charge as a penalty for the sins of this nation!

Watch NatGeo: *To Catch a Smuggler* or *Drug, Inc.* You don't know the vast amount of drugs

that is going on in America everywhere, every night, especially on the weekends!

- God knows!
- God sees!

You've got intellects at the top; everybody else down here drugging out! Why? Because they've all turned from God!

Verse 6: "Therefore, say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "Repent and turn yourselves from your idols, and turn away your faces from all your abominations. For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger who lives in Israel, who separates himself from Me and sets up his idols in his heart, and puts the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and comes to a prophet to ask of him concerning Me; I the LORD will answer him Myself. And I will set My face against that man..."" (vs 6-8).

(break@39:17)

I want to cover why we have the flood of immigration. You have to look at it from God's point of view: *If you're going to kill the unborn,* 'I'm going to send an immigrant to replace them.'

So, what's the account, the number, of abortions to date? 62-63 million! Does that help you understand what's happening with the border? That's why! Let's see where it's going to lead.

This is what it is, right here. Then we're get into the main culprits of all the troubles in America. It's not Biden and the Democrats. Those are the effect of the penalty, not the cause of the problem.

Everybody is trying to straighten out the effect, but they're not able to get rid of the cause. The cause is abortion. Not only abortion, but what they do with it. They sell all the baby parts! The Federal Government buys—hold onto your seat—or pays over \$500 for a full head of an aborted baby.

What do your think these mad scientists are trying to do with that? These are the things that God looks at. It's not just the behavior of people. The behavior of people is just the effect. The cause is what they are doing.

Deuteronomy 28:43: The stranger dwelling among you shall get up above you very high... [the fulcrum has been reached] ...and you shall come down very low."

We're right there at the fulcrum, and the fulcrum is a teeter-totter, the middle point. From now on, it's going to be strangers and the Israelites going down. That's what it's going down, because there's no repentance. Those who should be preaching repentance are not doing it!

Verse 44: "He shall loan to you, and you

shall not loan to him..."

Right after WWII we loaned to everybody in the world. Now we're the greatest debtor nation of the world because of our prolific behavior. That's another curse that's going to come. The dollar, sooner or later, is going to collapse! When it does, if you think there's trouble now, you haven't seen anything yet.

I suggest that for you to survive a little while, have some extra food, water and things. Here in California we have a drought. One of our biggest dams, Lake Shasta Dam, had to shut down the generating of electricity because the water was too low to make the turbines turn. All of the reservoirs are at record lows. Yet, the sun keeps shining and heats, and the fires keep burning.

That's what's happening! Think about when everything runs out, because it will! Remember Venezuela? It will take just about three weeks to put us in that same condition, because of all the terrorists that we have let into the country that are going to stand up and be against us. **Isn't that the stupidest thing in the world?** To bring in terrorists? Then add to that: *all the drugs; all the fentany!* 

My solution to the fentanyl problem would be to gather all that you have taken from those who are smuggling it in and put it into air bombs and go over China and set off those bombs and explode the fentanyl over the whole area. If you want to send it here, we'll send it back to you!

But they won't do that! No, because their minds are so messed up and so hateful against God! So, God says in light of all of this, here's what you need to understand: God will not tolerate any single thing from any of us—especially in the Church—that's in our mind and between us and God! Why? Because God did the greatest thing possible!

The greatest, most humble act ever is when Jesus Christ became a human being and grew up as a regular human being. He preached the Gospel and then willing offered His life as the sacrifice for the sin of the world. Think about that! I want you think about: What have you given up?

Well, we may all have everything taken from us; now what are you going to do? We need to look at it. We can't say that that's over there. Because over there comes over here!

Deuteronomy 4:23: "...a likeness of anything which the LORD your God has forbidden you, for the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God....[that's what they're going to see when Christ returns] ...When you shall beget children and grandchildren, and when you shall have remained long in the land and have dealt corruptly

by making a graven image, the likeness of anything, and shall do evil in the sight of the LORD your God to provoke Him to anger" (vs 23-25).

Here's what we're faced with. *Here is the pledge of God to this nation*:

Verse 26: "I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land, which you are crossing over Jordan to possess. You shall not prolong *your* days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed."

- Did that happen? Yes! It took hundreds of years, but it happened!
- Did God not put us here in this land?
- Haven't we said that this is God's land?
- Haven't we said that we are God's people?
- Haven't we said that we are the greatest nation on earth?

#### Well, we're about to lose all of it!

Verse 29: "But if you shall seek the LORD your God from there... [being scattered and taken into captivity] ...you shall find *Him*, <u>if you seek</u> Him with all your heart and with all your soul."

That's what we need to do every day! The very first thing we need to pray about every day is:

O Lord God, help us to love You with all our heart, mind, soul and being, and to understand what you want.

God will be there to help us! It doesn't mean that we're going to miss all the difficulties, because we're going to go through them. But He will be with us!

Verse 30: "When you are in trouble..." That's what we are today, this whole nation! Remember that the Greek word—'krites' for crises is judgment! That's what we're suffering right now.

"...and when all these things have come upon you in the latter days... [a prophecy for us today; it's taking place right now] ...then you shall return to the LORD your God and shall be obedient to His voice" (v 30).

That's what God wants, and that's what love means. If you love God with all your heart, mind, soul and being, you're going to obey Him. *No question!* 

Verse 31: "For the LORD your God *is* a merciful God. He will not forsake you, nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers, which He swore to them." *That's a promise from God!* 

Let's see who God says are responsible for it. They would deny it; they would say *no*. Try this on for size: line up all the ministers on TBN and Daystar, all of these good, professional 'Christians'

and tell them that they are the cause of what's going on, because you said that the Law is done away! You said that His love is unconditional. Those are lies!

Just as Jeremiah is showing that the blame for everything with the children of Judah and the coming destruction of Jerusalem, and being carried off into captivity, the fault lies with the pastors, priests and those who <u>should</u> teach the people the Laws, love and commandments of God. That's what God created and we need! Look at how bad it is because there's none of it!

Jeremiah 23:1: "Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of My pasture,' says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, God of Israel, against the shepherds who feed My people, 'You have scattered My flock, and have driven them away, and have not taken care of them. Behold, I will bring upon you the evil of your doings,' says the LORD" (vs 1-2).

Verse 20: "The anger of the LORD shall not return, until He has executed and until He has performed the purposes of His heart..."

- Anybody going to stop God? *No!*
- Anybody going to delay God? *No!*

## "...<u>in the latter days you shall understand it perfectly</u>" (v 20). That's what we see right now!

Do we really grasp it? The trouble is that everybody looks at all the effects, and they try to correct the effects! They first have to come to God so that the effects will change, because the effects are the result of sin. You've got to stop sinning and live God's way.

Verse 8: "But, 'The LORD lives, Who brought up and led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries where *He* had driven them. And they shall dwell in their own land." *That's at the beginning of the Millennium!* 

Verse 9: "As for the prophets my heart within me is broken..."

Here they are, they have the Bible, the Word of God, but Jeremiah looks at it and says, "...my heart within me is broken..."

- Isn't that the way you feel when you look out see a lot of the things; it's difficult? *God knows!*
- What did Solomon write? With increase comes knowledge and increases sorrow!

That's where we are!

"...all my bones shake. I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine has overcome because of the LORD and because of the words of His Holiness. For the land is full of adulterers.... [that describes it perfectly] ...Because of swearing the land mourns; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and they *wield* power unjustly" (vs 9-10). *Isn't that true?* 

It comes down to an individual basis! Just like someone said when they had to go through the check line at the airport. They wanted to take this woman who was 80+ and said, 'We need to strip you down without a thing on.' *That shows the mindset and evil of people!* They have left God! You can take that example and you can multiply it over and over again!

All of you Protestant ministers and priests, you Catholic priests are nothing more than pagan priests with the name of Christ on it. That's what you've done in every country where you go. You blaspheme the name of Christ and your whole setup is part of Babylon the Great.

Verse 11: "For both prophet and priest are ungodly; **yea, in My house I have found their evil**,' says the LORD."

In the churches, synagogues, and cathedrals, *the evil* of all kinds.

Verse 12: "So their way shall be to them as slippery *ways* in the darkness; they shall be driven on, and fall in *their way*; for I will bring evil on them, even the year of their judgment,' says the LORD." Is that what this year is? Who knows!

Verse 13: "And I have seen repulsive things in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied by Baal and caused My people Israel to go astray."

What's the first way that that starts? *The Law has been done away! Christ is the end of the Law!* They don't even understand the Scriptures and what they mean and how that should be translated.

That's why we have *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version*. All those wrong translations and misinterpretations have been corrected in this Bible. I never intended to translate the Bible. Michael Heiss—who knows Hebrew—translated the Old Testament.

This came about when we were just a small group recovering from leaving Worldwide (former Church of God), and also leaving another *Biblical Church* because the men hated Herbert Armstrong so much that they didn't have any love for God. They just wanted power.

So, there we were all alone, my family and

seven little brethren. All but one of the seven has now passed. All they wanted to do is learn the Word of God. All they wanted to do was to understand what God has said. That's what we did; we got out noses in the Bible. I started study translations to make it easy. We got *The Seven General Epistles* and then I had to do for *A Harmony of the Gospels* because we were running out.

Then someone sent me neuter gender New Testament where they tried to nullify the fact that Jesus was a man, the fact that God is referred to as a Father. Changing the Word of God so radically that it was just absolutely incredible. I remember to this day when I got that book and I was standing in my office and I opened it up and started reading it. I couldn't believe my eyes.

What they did in translating the Father, because they said it is a metaphor. A name is not a metaphor! A name is a name, and *He's our Father!* But the changed it to *Father/Mother, and said, 'just let the reader use their own imagination.'* 

That's not the way the Bible should be, to use our own evil imagination on something like that. I stood there and prayed to God and said:

O Lord God, if we let this stand and not answer it, You're going to judge us!

That's when I decided to do the New Testament! Did that first, then later Michael Heiss came on board so we could have the whole Bible. We got rid of every one of those wrong translations that have led people astray.

Jeremiah 23:14: "I have also seen in the prophets of Jerusalem a horrible thing; they commit adultery and walk in lies...."

One lie leads to another. If they would keep the true Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread they would know that you have to get sin out of your life through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on a daily basis.

We will see that *they made God serve* with their sins! *Now is the judgment!* 

"...They also strengthen the hands of evildoers, so that none returns from his evil; they are **all of them** like Sodom to Me, and her inhabitants like Gomorrah" (v 14).

Look at what it is everywhere! You can't even have a kindergarten class without some sort of perverted sex teaching that takes place in the public schools today. Not even in kindergarten. All the pedophiles want them at 8-10-years-old, and they want the pedophilia to be legal. So, God's judgment is coming!

Verse 15: "Therefore, thus says the LORD

of hosts concerning the prophets, 'Behold, I will feed them wormwood, and make them drink poisonous water; for from the prophets of Jerusalem ungodliness has gone forth into all the land."

They are the ones who are the main cause of all of it! Everything else is the effect.

Verse 16: "Thus says the LORD of hosts, 'Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you. They make you vain; they speak a vision from their own heart, not out of the mouth of the LORD."

Turn on all the religious stations and someone has a dream, someone has something that the Lord said to them, *and it's not out of the Word of God!* The end result is because I had this, send me money. That's all they want. How do you think they have 1-4 jets?

Verse 17: "They still say to those who despise Me.'..."

How do you despise God? By eliminating His commandments, by saying you don't need to keep them!

"...The LORD has said, 'You shall have peace!'..." (v 17).

Isn't that what they want? Yes! If you watch Fox News there's this Dr. Michael Youssef—an Egyptian English-speaking Protestant minister—you'll have peace, just come to Jesus! He doesn't say to repent of your sins! Just come and have peace. In time of trouble, people need to know what they need to do in their lives!

"...And they say to everyone who walks after the imagination of his own heart, 'No evil shall come upon you!' For who has stood in the counsel of the LORD to see and hear His Word?...." (vs 17-18).

Open your Bible, read it and believe it, and repent! That's what the message is today with all that's going on.

Verse 19: "Behold, the tempest of the LORD has gone forth in fury, a whirling tempest...."

I can't help but think of the whole southern border, like a flood of people coming. Think about that every one of those is because of the 62-million that have been aborted with no repentance.

Verse 20: "The anger of the LORD shall not return, until He has executed and until He has performed the purposes of His heart; in the latter days you shall understand it perfectly."

Notice what God says concerning these prophets. Remember that one of the first things Jesus

said in Matt. 24 about the end-times was many shall come in My name and say 'I am the Christ'—many! That's what they do.

Verse 21: "I have not sent these prophets, yet, they ran; I have not spoken to them, yet, they prophesied."

If only they would open the Bible and believe and teach it. Think about it! They all have Bibles. They all say they read from the Bible. But they never read the ones that say, 'repent and obey'!

Verse 22: But <u>if</u> they had stood in <u>My</u> <u>counsel</u>... [all those fake 'Christian' ministers] ...and had caused My people to hear My words... [How important is the Word of God?] ...<u>then</u> they would have turned them from their evil way and from the evil of their doings." *It would have been different!* 

Verse 25: "I have heard what the prophets said, who prophesy lies in My name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed." How long shall *this* be in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies and who are prophets of the deceit of their own heart?" (vs 25-26).

That's the cause; everything else is the effect! That effect runs in religion, government, business, education, media and entertainment. That's how evil multiplies.

Verse 28: "The prophet who has a dream, let him tell a dream..."

Here's our responsibility right here. This is what is for every minister of God wherever you are. Doesn't matter what organization you are in. if you are an ordained elder you are duty bound to preach the Word of God and nothing else.

"...And he who has My Word... [we do, we all have it right here] ...let him speak My Word faithfully....: (v 28).

- not twist it
- not turn it
- not interpret it
- not deny it

But faithfully!

"...What is the chaff to the wheat?' says the LORD. Is not My Word like a fire?' says the LORD, 'and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?" (vs 28-29).

We're down to the point where there it is. That's why we've got to be strong!

Verse 30: "Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets who steal My words each one from his neighbor. Behold, I am against the prophets who use their tongues and say, 'He says,' when I did not say.

Behold, I *am* against those who prophesy false dreams and tell them, and cause My people to go astray by their lies and by their wantonness. Yet, I did not send them nor command them; therefore, they shall not profit this people at all,' says the LORD" (vs 30-32).

- Isn't that true?
- How many ministers are out there really teaching what needs to be taught?

We can pray that God will open up some avenues of whatever is necessary to get it out there. But we've got to do it!

One of the most important things about what God does and having the Bible written is that He always comes to the rescue when the time is ready. He's talking about when He was going to bring the children of Israel or the Jews out of captivity in Babylon. He named Cyrus 150 years before he was born

Isaiah 43:1: "But now, thus says the LORD Who created you, O Jacob, and He Who formed you, O Israel; 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called *you* by your name; you *are* Mine. When you pass through the waters, I *will be* with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned; nor shall the flame kindle on you" (vs 1-2).

That may happen with some of the things that they're going to try and do. Can you imagine what that's going to do? Remember what happened with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego? They wouldn't bow down and worship the image. They were cast into the fire, but it didn't touch them!

Verse 3: "For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I gave Egypt for your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for you. Since you are precious in My sight..." (vs 3-4).

Even though all these corrections are coming, we're precious in the sight of God! Think about those of us in the Church.

- we are precious
- God will be with us
- God will protect us
- God will watch over us

"...you have been honored, and I have loved you; therefore, I will give men for you, and people for your life. <u>Fear not</u>... [think of this as to the Church] ...<u>for I am with you</u>...." (vs 4-5).

That's why we need to stay close to God! When He gathers Israel out to bring them back during the Millennium, that's going to be the greatest thing that ever happened. What a fantastic thing that's going to be!

Verse 19: "Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall sprout; shall you not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert.... [that's what's going to happen in the Millennium] ...The beasts of the field shall honor Me, the jackals and the ostriches; because I give waters in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to My people, My chosen" (vs 19-20).

The reproduction of human beings is so easy. It happens! I just heard of a couple that married in July and got word back and the wife is already pregnant. Happens quickly and it becomes something we really don't think about. But let's see what God says:

### Verse 21: "This people that I formed for Myself..."

What does the New Testament say of us? *Christ in you, the hope of glory!* Paul wrote that he was trepidatious until Christ was formed in you through the power of His Holy Spirit.

"...they shall declare My praise" (v 21). Add to that the resurrection!

When we're resurrected as spirit beings, think of what we're going to do for all the people. Think about how great that is going to be! We'll cover that when the Feast starts. So, He brings it right down to that.

Isaiah 44:1: "Yet, now hear, O Jacob My servant, and Israel whom I have chosen; thus says the LORD Who made you, and formed you from the womb..." (vs 1-2).

Think about that! Now you know why abortion is the #1 crime, and the ministers are the #1 culprits of it by saying that the Law has been done away.

Have a good Feast of Tabernacles wherever you are, and understand that we are preparing to rule the world under Christ!

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