ISIS: What’s it all about?
Observations by the Editor

Celebrating
35 Years

Time flies! It seems like only yesterday when I decided to give up my academic career and step out in faith and establish this ministry.

When I look back over the past 35 years, it is hard to believe how much the Lord has blessed this ministry. I can vividly remember that first year when the ministry was located in my family’s home. We had a duplex in Plano, a suburb of Dallas. It had three bedrooms. Ann and I were in one, our two daughters were in the second, and the ministry was in the third. The day I ran out of space and started down the hallway to the master bedroom with two boxes, my wife informed me that it was time for me to find an office outside our home!

I rented an office in a large plantation-style house in downtown Plano and stayed there a year. Then we purchased a house nearby and converted it into our headquarters. We stayed there for two years before we started building a new headquarters on five acres of land that was given to us by one of our trustees.

That acreage was located about 21 miles northeast of Plano, near the town of Princeton. The town was so small that we had to get a post office box in McKinney, 7 miles to the west.

Over the years since that time, we have twice added new mail processing rooms. Additionally, we have built a television studio, and we have added two manufactured buildings, one for a caretaker’s home and the other for office space.

But much more important than the expansion of our facilities has been the growth of our outreach.

Our facility today. On the far left is our original building. Next, to the right, is our mail processing center. The largest building, with the tower attached to it, is our television studio. The building on the far right is our new office facility.

We have published a total of 15 books, not counting revised editions or foreign editions. We have produced over a hundred audio and video programs. Between June of 1980 and September of 2002 we broadcast a total of 5,810 radio programs. And since 2002, we have aired 655 TV programs. We have gone from one radio station in 1980 to 8 national television networks in 2015. We have held conferences all over the world, we have led over 40 pilgrimages to Israel, and we have created an interactive website that reaches millions. Additionally, we published a monthly newsletter from April 1980 to May 1998 when we converted it into this magazine, which we have been publishing bi-monthly since that time.

As we look to the future, our goal remains the same as it was from the first day of the ministry: to reach as many people as we can, as quickly as we can, with the message of the Lord’s soon return.

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Where did ISIS come from?
What motivates it?
What are its methods?
What are its purposes?
What will be its fate?
What does the Bible have to say about it?

Dr. David R. Reagan

The mysterious group called ISIS seems to be dominating the news these days. It seemed to come out of nowhere and explode in growth overnight. Then, it began sweeping across the Middle East like a tidal wave.

Now it almost daily shocks the world with some new barbaric act. One day it’s the beheading of a journalist, the next day it’s the mass machine gunning of a group of Christians, and the next day they are burning people alive.

To answer the questions posed above, let’s begin with some background information by taking a look at some fast facts about Islam.

Fast Facts

1) Of the 7 billion people in the world today, 1.6 billion are Muslims, or 23% of the world’s population.

By comparison, there are 2.2 billion Christians, or about 31% of the world’s population.

What most people do not realize is that the vast majority of Muslims live outside the Middle East. The largest Muslim countries are:

1) Indonesia 209 million
2) India 176 million
3) Pakistan 167 million
4) Bangladesh 133 million
5) Nigeria 77 million
6) Egypt 76 million
7) Iran 73 million

There are 22 Arab nations in the Middle East and North Africa with a combined population of 422 million Muslims.

2) Islam began in the 6th Century in Saudi Arabia.

This is important to remember because Muslim leaders claim that Moses and Abraham were Muslims!

The religion originated with a man named Muhammad who started having seizures and visions. The words he spoke during these sessions were written down and collected into a book called the Quran. (Muhammad was illiterate.) The words in the Quran are considered to be from God.

At the time there were over 300 gods being worshiped in Mecca. Muhammad selected one of those gods – The Moon God, called Allah – and declared him to be the one and only true god. This is the reason the symbol of Islam is a crescent moon. Muhammad also declared that he was the prophet of Allah.

A second sacred book in Islam is called the Hadith. It is composed of thousands of sayings of Muhammad that were compiled by his wives, relatives and friends. There are various compilations, but the most respected contains nine volumes.

The teachings in the Hadith are considered as binding as those in the Quran — and it is full of bizarre sayings. For example:

1) Women are deficient in mind (2:541 and 3:826).
2) The majority of people in Hell are women (1:28, 301; 2:161; 7:124).
3) Women are a bad omen (7:30).
4) Drinking camel urine will make you healthy (7:590).
5) A fly in your drink can cure you of disease (4:537).
6) Fever comes from the heat of Hell (7:619).
7) If you speak badly about a deceased person, that person will go to Hell (2:448).
8) Prayer is annulled by a dog, a donkey or a woman if they pass in front of the praying person (9:490).
9) All dogs but black ones should be killed (4:540).

Picture from Israel Today magazine, October 2014.
3) Islam is a religion of the sword.

Every nation where Islam is in the majority, the religion has been imposed by force and is maintained by force.

I have a friend named Mark Gabriel. He was born in Egypt and graduated from Al Jazeera University where he became a professor of Islamic history. He experienced a miraculous conversion and has become a Christian evangelist. I asked him one time to summarize Islamic history for me. His response: “The history of Islam is a river of blood.”

Muslims believe they are compelled by the Quran to spread their religion worldwide by war, if necessary. Here are some of the relevant passages from the Quran:

- Fighting is prescribed for you, and some of you dislike it. But it is possible that you dislike a thing which is good for you, and that you love a thing which is bad for you. But Allah knows, and you know not (Sura 2:216).
- Fight and slay the pagans wherever you find them, beleaguer them, and lie in wait for them in every stratagem of war (Sura 9:5).
- Fight in the way of Allah . . . and slay them [the unbelievers] wherever you find them and drive them out . . . and fight them until . . . religion is for Allah (Sura 2:190-193).

Muhammad is quoted in the Hadith as saying:

The sword is the key of heaven and hell. A drop of blood in the cause of Allah — a night spent in arms [war] — is of more avail than two months of fasting and prayer. Whosoever falls in battle, his sins are forgiven . . . (Sura 61:10-12).

4) Islam is totally intolerant of any other religion.

The very word, Islam, means “submission.” The Quran commands intolerance toward all other religions:

- Take not Jews and Christians for friends . . . He among you who takes them for friends is one of them . . . Choose not for friends such of those who received the Scripture before you [Jews and Christians] . . But keep your duty to Allah (Sura 5: 51, 55,57).
- [For those who do not submit to Allah] their punishment is . . . execution or crucifixion, or the cutting off of hands and feet, from the opposite sides, or exile from the land (Sura 5:33).

The Quran also expresses an intolerant attitude toward any person who decides to reject the Islamic faith or convert to another religion.

Sura 9:12 commands that apostates are to be executed.

Hadith 9:57 says “Whoever changes his religion, kill him.”

These commands are practiced in all Islamic Fundamentalist countries today.

Muslims in Western non-Muslim countries try to discount these commands by quoting verses from the Quran that sound very tolerant:

- Sura 2:256: “There is no compulsion in religion.”
- Sura 5:82: “You will find that those who are nearest in love to the believers [Muslims] are those who say, ‘We are Christians.’”

Yes, these verses sound wonderful, but what the Islam defenders do not tell you is that there is a rule for interpreting the Quran, called the “rule of abrogation,” that says that later revelations to Muhammad overrule earlier revelations, if there is a conflict. They have to have this rule because there are a lot of contradictions in the Quran.

With regard to Jews and Christians, Muhammad’s earliest revelations were all positive. He referred to them as “the people of the Book.” He did this because he expected them to surrender their religions and join his. When they refused to do so, he received “new revelations” that demeaned them and ordered them to be killed if they did not submit. For example here are three of his later revelations:

1) A command not to take Jews and Christians as friends (Sura 5:51).
2) A command to fight against Jews and Christians until they either submit to Allah or agree to pay a special tax (Sura 9:29).
3) A reference to Jews as “apes and swine to be despised and rejected” (Sura 2:65-66 and 5:60).

Of course the reality on the ground is more important than any denials by Western Muslims, for there is absolutely no religious freedom in any nation of the world that is ruled by Muslims.
5) Islam is divided into two major groups — the Sunnis and the Shias.

The split began in 632 AD when Muhammad died. Those who became Shias believed that a blood relative had to be Muhammad’s successor. They wanted his cousin to succeed him.

The Sunnis did not think that was necessary, and they selected Muhammad’s father-in-law.

The dispute intensified over the years, resulting in different religious practices, traditions and customs.

Today, 90% of Muslims are Sunnis. Only 10% are Shias. The main concentration of Shias is in Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan.

The animosity between the two groups is so great that it often manifests itself in acts of terrorism and wars directed at each other.

This is the reason for the great political instability in Iraq. The nation is 42% Sunni and 51% Shia, but Saddam Hussein was a Sunni, and his dictatorship greatly mistreated the Shia majority who now want revenge and who want to dominate the new government.

Incidentally, the inability of Middle East Muslims to get along with each other or anyone else is a fulfillment of a Bible prophecy. Speaking of the descendants of Ishmael, the Angel of the Lord proclaimed (Genesis 16:12):

He will be a wild donkey of a man. His hand will be against everyone, and everyone’s hand will be against him.

6) Islam has twice before attempted to conquer the Christian West and still intends to do so.

In 710 AD the Islamic armies crossed the Straits of Gibraltar and quickly conquered three-fourths of Spain and Portugal. They then invaded France and took one-third of the nation. They were 125 miles from Paris when they were miraculously defeated at the Battle of Tours in 732 AD by a French army led by Charles Martel.

Their influence in Spain lived on for a few more centuries before they were slowly driven back to North Africa.

A second powerful attempt to subjugate all of Europe was made 900 years later in the 17th Century when the Turks began to expand their Ottoman Empire. They took Greece, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, and parts of Romania and Hungary.

By 1683 they had reached the gates of Vienna where once again the Western forces won a miraculous victory against overwhelming odds.

Following this second attempt to conquer Europe, Islam fell into a state of depression and stagnation until it was awakened in the 20th Century.

7) Islam experienced a revival in the 20th Century.

There were several factors that produced this resurgence:

1) The amassing of great wealth — due to the discovery of vast reservoirs of oil in Arab lands.
2) Their deliverance from colonialism.
3) The re-establishment of the nation of Israel — interpreted by Islamic clerics like Khomeini as a judgment of Allah due to Islamic stagnation and apostasy.
4) The positioning of U.S. Armed Forces — the placement during the 1990s of American troops throughout the Middle East in response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.
5) The encroachment of Western culture into the Muslim world — due to the penetration of Western movies, television programs, and consumer goods.
6) Satan’s empowerment — as Satan is making one last effort to thwart God’s end time plans.

The Origin of ISIS

Now, with this brief background of fast facts about Islam, let’s take a look at ISIS, and let’s begin with its origin.

ISIS is a Sunni terrorist group that has transformed rapidly into a full-fledged army.

The group was founded by a man named Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi. There is little known for certain about him. He was born in 1971, making him 44 years old. He is believed to have a doctorate in Islamic Studies from the University of Baghdad.

He was arrested by U.S. forces in 2004 during the Second Gulf War that led to the overthrow of Saddam Hussein. At that time he was a member of a terrorist group. He was not considered important, and so he was soon released. It has been reported that when he was released, he told his captors, “I will see you in New York City.”

Al-Baghdadi became the leader of an Al-Qaeda related group called ISI — The Islamic State of Iraq. He launched terrorist attacks across Iraq, trying to consolidate power. One of his goals was to prevent the Shia majority in Iraq from taking over the government.

In 2013 he ventured into Syria and changed the name of his
organization to ISIS, meaning The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria. He later changed it again to ISIL — standing for Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (the Levant being the French word for the Middle East).

In 2014 he forcibly took over Al-Qaeda’s operations in Syria, and Al-Qaeda disavowed him. In June of that same year, he declared the establishment of The Islamic State (IS), which he described as the beginning of a worldwide caliphate, or Muslim Empire.

This announcement electrified the Muslim world. The last Islamic caliphate was the Ottoman Empire that was formed in 1299 and lasted until it was dissolved in 1923. Ever since al-Baghdadi’s declaration of the establishment of a caliphate, fighters have been streaming into Syria and Iraq from all over the world, with the hope of helping to expand the territory of the Islamic State to include all the Middle East.

The Motivation of ISIS

Let’s consider for a moment what motivates ISIS. In February of 2015, a State Department spokesperson named Marie Harf proclaimed that those joining ISIS are poverty-stricken persons in need of jobs!

Now, this woman is no dummy. She has a Master’s degree in international politics and is a former analyst for the CIA. I have to give her the benefit of the doubt and assume that she was just delivering the official line of the Obama Administration.

This perverse idea that ISIS is driven by a need for jobs is pure baloney. As one of my staff members observed, “I haven’t seen one terrorist yet yelling, ‘Jobs! Jobs!’ Rather, they all seem to be yelling the same thing: ‘Allahu Akbar!’ meaning ‘Allah is the greatest!’”

The real motivation, of course, is religion. And specifically, it is the commands of the Quran to fight non-Muslims until they exterminate all other religions, leaving Islam as the one and only religion in the world. (Suras 2:193 and 8:39)

Muhammad is quoted in the Hadith as saying:

I have been ordered to fight with the people until they say, “None has the right to be worshiped but Allah” (Hadith 4:196).

The Methods of ISIS

In addition to military force, ISIS is utilizing techniques of terror to advance its cause, and this is in accordance with the Quran’s commands for Muslims to terrorize non-Muslims:

Strike terror [into the hearts of] the enemies of Allah and your enemies (Sura 8:60).

Allah then assures his followers that he will assist them:

I will instill terror into the hearts of unbelievers. Smite them above their necks and smite all their finger-tips off them. It is not you who slay them, it is Allah (Sura 8:12,17).

Concerning Jihad, or holy war, the Quran guarantees Paradise to those who fight for Allah. (Sura 4:74) And dying for Allah is presented as better than living:

And if you are killed or die in the Way of Allah, forgiveness and mercy from Allah are far better than all that others may amass [of worldly wealth] (Sura 3:157).

Martyrs are promised a sensual and luxurious life in Paradise (Sura 52:17-22). In short, the Muslim Paradise is pictured in the Islamic Scriptures as one of eternal decadence.

Purposes of ISIS

There are three very specific purposes of ISIS that have been clearly defined:

1) To overthrow the “secular” rulers of Islamic countries (like Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Jordan, Syria and Egypt).

2) To take back the land of Palestine for Allah, exterminating Israel in the process.

3) To conquer the rest of the world for Allah.

It is important to note that the eradication of Israel is not the top priority. Nor is Israel viewed as the major obstacle to world conquest. I emphasize this because many Americans are saying that the key to winning the war against terrorism is “to dump Israel.” More and more, on radio talk shows, I hear people saying, “Let’s cut Israel loose. Let the Arabs have it. Then they will leave us alone.”

That is utter nonsense. Israel is not the cause of Islamic terrorism toward the West. If Israel were to disappear tomorrow, Fundamentalist Islam would still be determined to destroy America as part of its plan to take the world for Allah.

And if we were to abandon Israel, the Muslim world would interpret it as an act of cowardice, proving our word is meaningless and that we truly are, as they say, “a depraved society devoid of values.”

Our abandonment of Israel would only whet their appetite. Islamic Fundamentalism cannot be appeased. It must be defeated.
Regarding the ultimate goal of ISIS, Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu has perhaps summed it up best when he said, “The Nazis wanted to establish the Master Race. ISIS wants to establish the Master Faith.”

The Fate of ISIS

Let’s turn our attention to the ultimate question: Will ISIS prevail? This is something I can speak about with great confidence because the answer is clearly revealed in the Bible.

Psalm 83 indicates that Israel will be attacked in the end times by a coalition of Muslim states that share a common border with the Jewish state. The Psalm declares that their purpose will be “to wipe out Israel as a nation” (Psalm 83:4).

The nations involved in this coalition will be Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Egypt and Gaza.

And although the Psalm does not reveal the outcome of the attack, other Scripture passages do. For example, Zechariah 12:6 says that in the end times Israel will be like “a firepot among pieces of wood and a flaming torch among sheaves, so they will consume on the right hand and on the left all the surrounding peoples.” Continuing in that same chapter, Zechariah further declares:

8) In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the one who is feeble among them in that day will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the angel of the LORD before them.

9) And in that day I will set about to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

It is this war that could easily lead to the complete destruction of Damascus that is prophesied in Isaiah 17 and Jeremiah 49.

This great defeat will likely prompt the Muslims to turn to their natural ally, Russia, and Russia will come to their aid with a great coalition of Muslim states located on the outer rim of Israel. This war, called the Battle of Gog and Magog, is described in detail in Ezekiel 38 & 39.

The Bible makes it clear that this coalition will be annihilated by God on the hills of Israel. Here’s how it reads in Ezekiel 38:18-23 —

18) “It will come about on that day, when Gog comes against the land of Israel,” declares the Lord God, “that My fury will mount up in My anger.

19) “In My zeal and in My blazing wrath I declare that on that day there will surely be a great earthquake in the land of Israel . . .

20) “. . . and all the men who are on the face of the earth will shake at My presence . . .

21) “I will call for a sword against him [Gog & his allies] on all My mountains,” declares the Lord God. “Every man's sword will be against his brother.

22) “With pestilence and with blood I will enter into judgment with him; and I will rain on him and on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, a torrential rain, with hailstones, fire and brimstone.

23) “I will magnify Myself, sanctify Myself, and make Myself known in the sight of many nations; and they will know that I am the Lord.”

So, the Muslim armies of the Middle East are destined for overwhelming defeat.

Franklin Graham affirmed this analysis in a recent statement in which he said, “The evil of ISIS shouldn’t shock us — it is fully in keeping with their ultimate agenda of hastening a final apocalypse.”

He added: “God’s Word tells us that there will be a final battle one day, but it will result in the defeat of Satan and all those allied with him.” He concluded with this observation: “One thing is for sure — one day every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”
In that regard, I am reminded of a presentation made last year by a colleague of mine, Al Gist, at a prophecy conference in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

He was speaking about ISIS, and he said that while he was doing his research on the topic, he shared with his wife how the organization had changed its name several times over the years from ISI to ISIS to ISIL and now to simply IS, standing for Islamic State.

Al said his wife, Sandy, thought about it for a moment, and then said, “I don’t know much about all this, but I can guarantee you one thing: “The Great I AM is going to convert IS to WAS!”

Conclusions

- Islam is not a religion of peace. It never has been and it never will be.
- We are involved in a World War against Islam, and we need to face up to it.
- Our war is not against terror. That’s like saying World War II was a war against U-Boats and Kamikaze planes. No! It was against Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan.
- Our war is not against “Fundamentalists who have hijacked a peaceful religion.” That is nonsense. The Fundamentalists are simply doing what the Quran commands them to do.
- Islam at heart is a religion of intolerance and violence. Consider this incredible sign displayed by a Muslim at a rally in London:

That’s why President Obama’s comment at the recent prayer breakfast was so outlandish. He said:

Lest we get on our high horse and think this is unique [ISIS barbarity] to some other place, remember that during the Crusades and the Inquisition, people committed terrible deeds in the name of Christ.

That ridiculous statement ignores the fact that the Quran commands conquest, war, terror and murder, whereas the New Testament commands Christians to love their enemies and pray for them.

Notes:

We are at war. We are at war with an enemy as savage, as voracious, as heartless as the Nazis, but one wouldn’t know it from our behavior. During WWII we didn’t refer to storm troopers as “freedom fighters.” We didn’t call the Gestapo, “militants.” We didn’t see the attacks on our Merchant Marine as acts by “rogue sailors.” We did not justify the Nazis rise to power as our fault. We did not grovel before the Nazis, thumping our hearts and confessing to abusing and mistreating and humiliating the German people.

We did not apologize for Dresden, nor for The Battle of the Bulge, nor for El Alamein, nor for D-Day.

Evil – ultimate, irreconcilable, evil threatened us and Roosevelt and Churchill had moral clarity and an exquisite understanding of what was at stake. It was not just the Sudetenland, not just Tobruk, not just Vienna, not just Casablanca. It was the entire planet. Read history and be shocked at how frighteningly close Hitler came to creating a Pax Germanica on every continent.

Not all Germans were Nazis – most were decent, most were revolted by the Third Reich, most were good citizens hoisting a beer, earning a living and tucking in their children at night. But, too many looked away, too many cried out in lame defense — “I didn’t know.” Too many were silent. Guilt absolutely falls upon those who committed the atrocities, but responsibility and guilt falls upon those who did nothing as well. Fault was not just with the goose steppers but with those who pulled the curtains shut, said and did nothing.

In WWII we won because we got it. We understood who the enemy was and we knew that the end had to be unconditional and absolute. We did not stumble around worrying about offending the Nazis. We did not measure every word so as not to upset our foe. We built planes and tanks and battleships and went to war to win — to rid the world of malevolence.

We are at war — yet too many stubbornly and foolishly don’t put the pieces together and refuse to identify the evil doers. We are circumspect and disgracefully politically correct.

Let me mince no words in saying that from Fort Hood to Bali, from Times Square to London, from Madrid to Mumbai, from 9/11 to Gaza, the murderers, the barbarians are radical Islamists.

To camouflage their identity is sedition. To excuse their deeds is contemptible. To mask their intentions is unconscionable . . .

Now before some folks roll their eyes and glance at their watches let me state emphatically, unmistakably — I have no pathology of hate, nor am I a manic Paul Revere, galloping through the countryside. I am not a pessimist, nor prone to panic attacks. I am a lover of humanity, all humanity. Whether they worship in a synagogue, a church, a mosque, a temple or don’t worship at all. I have no bone of bigotry in my body, but what I do have is hatred for those who hate, intolerance for those who are intolerant, and a guiltless, unstoppable obsession to see evil eradicated.

Today the enemy is radical Islam but it must be said sadly and reluctantly that there are unwitting, co-conspirators who strengthen the hands of the evil doers. Let me state that the overwhelming number of Muslims are good Muslims, fine human beings who want nothing more than a Jeep Cherokee in their driveway, a flat screen TV on their wall and a good education for their children, but these good Muslims have an obligation to destiny, to decency that thus far for the most part they have avoided.

The good Muslims must sponsor rallies in Times Square, in Trafalgar Square, in the UN Plaza, on the Champs-Elysees, in Mecca condemning terrorism, denouncing unequivocally the
slaughter of the innocent. Thus far, they have not. The good Muslims must place ads in the NY Times. They must buy time on network TV, on cable stations, in the Jerusalem Post, in Le Monde, in Al Watan, on Al Jazeera condemning terrorism, denouncing unequivocally the slaughter of the innocent — thus far, they have not. Their silence allows the vicious to tarnish Islam and define it.

Brutal acts of commission and yawning acts of omission both strengthen the hand of the devil . . .

We must be diligent students of history and not sit in ash cloth at the waters of Babylon weeping. We cannot be hypnotized by eloquent-sounding rhetoric that soothes our heart but endangers our soul. We cannot be lulled into inaction for fear of offending the offenders. Radical Islam is the scourge and this must be cried out from every mountain top. From sea to shining sea, we must stand tall, proudful of our stunning decency and moral resilience.

Immediately after 9/11 how many mosques were destroyed in America? None. How many Muslims were killed in America? None. How many anti-Muslim rallies were held in America? None. And yet, we apologize. We grovel. We beg forgiveness.

Moral confusion is a deadly weakness and it has reached epic proportions in the West; from the Oval Office to the UN, from the BBC to Reuters to MSNBC, from the New York Times to Le Monde, from university campuses to British teachers unions, from the International Red Cross to Amnesty International, from Goldstone to Elvis Costello, from the Presbyterian Church to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

- There is a message sent and consequences when our president visits Turkey and Egypt and Saudi Arabia, and not Israel.
- There is a message sent and consequences when free speech on campus is only for those championing Palestinian rights.
- There is a message sent and consequences when the media deliberately doctors and edits film clips to demonize Israel.
- There is a message sent and consequences when the UN blasts Israel relentlessly, effectively ignoring Iran, Sudan, Venezuela, North Korea, China and other noxious states.
- There is a message sent and consequences when liberal churches are motivated by Liberation Theology, not historical accuracy.
- There is a message sent and consequences when murderers and terrorists are defended by the obscenely transparent “one man’s terrorist is another man’s freedom fighter.”

How do we convince the world and many of our own that conciliation is not an option, that compromise is not a choice?

Everything we are. Everything we believe. Everything we treasure, is at risk. The threat is so unbelievably clear and the enemy so unbelievably ruthless how anyone in their right mind doesn’t get it is baffling. Let’s try an analogy. If someone contracted a life-threatening infection and we not only scolded them for using antibiotics but insisted that the bacteria had a right to infect their body and that perhaps, if we gave the invading infection an arm and a few toes, the bacteria would be satisfied and stop spreading. Anyone buy that medical advice? Well, folks, that’s our approach to the radical Islamist bacteria. It is amoral, has no conscience and will spread unless it is eradicated.

- There is no negotiating. Appeasement is death . . .

Democracies don’t always win. Tyrannies don’t always lose. My friends — the world is on fire and we must awake from our slumber. “EHR KUMT!”

The Follow-up Sermon

[Editor’s note: Four years later on Rosh Hashanah 2014, Rabbi Lewis preached a follow-up sermon titled, “Ehr Daw!” (meaning, “They are here!”) Below are excerpts.]

This is not a time for delicacy. For tiptoeing. It is not a time to parse words nor worry about offending someone with unfiltered vocabulary. Time is no longer a luxury we possess. Distance no longer provides protection. We are being threatened like no time before, by an enemy obsessed with an apocalyptic endgame that will bring only disaster. An enemy that worships savagery. An enemy that celebrates depravity. An enemy that glorifies the death of the young. There has been a seismic shift in our world. We feel it. We see it. We know it. We dare not deny it . . .

I must assume there are skeptics out there — folks who disbelieve my warnings and might label me an alarmist — a Paul Revere wannabe . . . crying out “The Muslims are coming. The Muslims are coming.”


This is not the 1930s nor the 1940s and yet it is. Sixty-eight years since the Nazis defeat but their descendants are making Hitler proud picking up where he left off. [Quotiting Eric Hoffer] “I have a premonition that will not leave me; as it goes with Israel so will it go with all of us. Should Israel perish, the Holocaust will be upon us . . .”

Most of us have never tasted the bitterness of war. Witnessed its horror. Clawed our way out from beneath tons of rubble. But we dare not be complacent and cry out confidently — “we have two oceans and the TSA to protect us.”

We live in a shrunken world. In a porous country. In an open society. We have become perilously naïve. Recklessly even-handed. Unacceptably tolerant. Dangerously comfortable. The greatest generation has spawned the clueless generation. I say it again loudly, slowly and clearly — we are at war, here in America as well, with radical Islamists . . .

I cry out not “Ehr Kunt — they are coming,” I cry out, “Ehr Daw — they are here.” The fury of ultimate evil is upon us and we must act — not to contain it. Not to degrade it. Not to manage it. Not to tolerate it, but to exterminate it utterly and absolutely.★
**Does the Rise of ISIS Point to a Muslim Antichrist?**

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Absolutely not! The idea of a Muslim Antichrist is both un-biblical and illogical. I have written extensively and in detail about the Muslim Antichrist idea, but I will dispense of it here with four brief points.

1. **The concept of a Muslim Antichrist is unbiblical because Daniel 9:26-27 says that the Antichrist will come from the people who will destroy Jerusalem.**

   The devastation spoken of in this passage took place in 70 AD, and it was done by the Romans. So, the Antichrist will come out of the area of the Roman Empire and will be Roman by descent.

   The leading advocate of the Muslim Antichrist idea did not even mention this verse in his first book! Either he did not know about it, or he simply decided to ignore it. When it was brought to his attention, he and his followers responded by claiming that the Roman armies that destroyed Jerusalem were conscripts from the Middle East, where Islam developed some 500 years later. First, this is not true, and second, even if it were true, it would be irrelevant. The fact is that the armies were under the control of a Roman general who was taking orders from the Roman Senate in Rome.

   Later, the proponents of the Muslim Antichrist theory began arguing that the destruction of Jerusalem referred to by Daniel is the destruction that will occur during the Tribulation at the hands of the Antichrist. There are two problems with this argument. First, the context of Daniel’s prophecy clearly indicates that the destruction of Jerusalem he is talking about will occur at the end of 483 years of his 490 year prophecy — and that would place it in 70 AD. Second, the Antichrist is not going to destroy Jerusalem during the Tribulation. Zechariah 14:1-9 says that just as the armies of the Antichrist start to close in on Jerusalem, the Messiah will return to the Mount of Olives and will supernaturally destroy both the Antichrist and his military forces.

2. **The idea of a Muslim Antichrist is illogical because the Scriptures say that the Tribulation will begin when the Antichrist signs a treaty with Israel that will guarantee that nation’s safety.**

   What Muslim would guarantee the peace and safety of Israel? What Israeli leader would put his trust in a Muslim leader, knowing that Muslims make “peace” treaties only for the sake of convenience?

3. **The Muslim Antichrist concept is absurd when you consider the fact that the Scriptures teach that the Antichrist will go to Jerusalem in the middle of the Tribulation, enter the rebuilt Jewish Temple, and declare himself to be god.**

   No Muslim would ever declare himself to be God. This would violate the most basic tenets of Islam. And if he were to do so, he would be immediately killed by Muslims!

4. **The rise of a Muslim Antichrist would be impossible because no Muslim armies will exist in the Middle East when the Tribulation begins.**

   The war of Psalm 83 between Israel and its surrounding Arab nations with whom it has a common border will result in an overwhelming victory for Israel (Zechariah 12:6-8), and will likely result in the total devastation of Damascus (Isaiah 17:1-14 and Jeremiah 49:23-27).

   The subsequent Russian invasion of the Jewish State, together with a coalition of Muslim armies from the outer circle around Israel — portrayed in Ezekiel 38 & 39 — will result in God Almighty destroying all the invading forces upon the mountains of Israel (Ezekiel 38:18-23 and 39:1-6).

   I believe the Scriptures indicate that both of these wars will occur before the beginning of the Tribulation. Thus, when the Tribulation begins, the Muslim nations of the Middle East will be in shambles, devoid of any military power.

**Conclusion**

When the Roman Antichrist takes over, he will launch a military campaign to conquer the world. The Bible says that in the process one-half the world’s population will die in the first three and a half years of the Tribulation as the war morphs from a traditional one (Revelation 6) into a nuclear one (Revelation 8-9).

The people most likely to strongly resist the European Antichrist and his one world religion would be the Muslims outside the Middle East — the Muslims of Indonesia, India, Bangladesh and Pakistan — who constitute the majority of Muslims in the world. Thus, I believe God will use the Antichrist to pour out His wrath upon the Muslim world — another reason why I do not believe the Antichrist will be a Muslim.

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Editorial Comment

Willful Ignorance

Dr. David R. Reagan

While Muslim terrorists continue to launch assaults all over the world, President Obama continues to deny that their actions have anything to do with Islam.

At a press conference in February, Obama refused to describe the Islamic State and Al-Qaeda as groups motivated by “radical Islam” because the term grants them a religious legitimacy they don’t deserve. “They are not religious leaders,” he stated, “they are terrorists.” He then added, “We are not at war with Islam. We are at war with people who have perverted Islam.”

It would certainly be a laughing matter if someone were to try to tell the ISIS fighters that Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi is not their religious leader. You might as well tell the people of Iran that Ayatollah Ali Khamenei is not their religious leader. You might as well tell the people of Iran that Ayatollah Ali Khamenei is not their religious leader.

But the President’s comments were not as laughable as those of the State Department spokesperson, Marie Harf, who tried to convince Chris Matthews on his MSNBC television program that ISIS is motivated by poverty and the need for jobs. Even the super-liberal Chris Matthews was stunned, and keep in mind that he was the one who said in 2008 that every time he heard Obama speak on the campaign trail that he got goose bumps up and down his legs! Matthews responded to Harf with a barrage of blistering criticism, claiming the White House is “allowing America to be humiliated.”

The stroll through Alice-in-Wonderland continued a few days later when Secretary of State John Kerry appeared before a Congressional committee and declared: “Our citizens, our world today is actually, despite ISIL, despite the visible killings that you see and how horrific they are, we are actually living in a period of less daily threat to Americans and to people in the world than normally . . .”

What? Is he in the same world the rest of us are in?

Thankfully, the next day, the Director of National Intelligence, James Clapper tried to get us back to reality by telling the committee that 2014 was “the most lethal year for global terrorism in the 45 years such data has been compiled.”

Although willful ignorance is characteristic of liberal minds, it is not exclusive to them. Take President George W. Bush, for example. After the terrible 9/11 attacks, he hosted a White House reception during Ramadan to honor the Islam religion and its American leaders. Furthermore, he persisted throughout the rest of his Administration in calling Islam “a religion of peace.” One observer said the President’s behavior was equivalent to President Franklin Roosevelt giving a banquet following Pearl Harbor to honor the Shinto religion and Japanese leaders.

All of this bizarre denial of reality is, of course, an exercise in political correctness. It is an effort to avoid hurting the feelings of American Muslims.

It is a very misguided effort, as former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani demonstrated recently during an interview on Fox News. He pointed out that when he became mayor in 1994, he immediately called a press conference and announced he was declaring war on the Mafia.

He said that before the day was over, the leaders of the Italian community were in his office protesting, claiming that any reference to the Mafia was an embarrassment to them and a slur against Italian-Americans. His response? He told them in no uncertain terms that he was not backing down, and if they wanted to look good, they would give him their public support. And sure enough, at his next press conference, the Italian leaders were there, standing behind him in support.

That’s what President Obama needs to do. Rather than playing footsie with Islamic leaders, he needs to tell them to put up or shut up. He needs to insist that they start speaking out publicly against Islamic terror. ✶
Guest Editorial

An Apostate View of Same-Sex Marriage

Dr. Michael L. Brown

[Editor’s note: Rob Bell is one of the leading spokesmen of the apostate Emergent Church Movement which is infiltrating churches of all denominations. He recently appeared on the Oprah TV show and endorsed same-sex marriage. Below is Dr. Michael Brown’s response. Dr. Brown is a renowned Messianic believer, biblical scholar, apologist, worldwide speaker, and activist. He is the host of the nationally syndicated, talk radio program “Line of Fire,” and he serves as president of FIRE School of Ministry in Concord, NC, as well as adjunct professor at a number of seminaries. He is the author of 25 books, most recently, “Can You Be Gay and Christian?” This article is reproduced in abbreviated form with Dr. Brown’s approval.]

For those who had any questions, Rob Bell has now made himself totally clear: He is willing to trash parts of the Bible as “letters from 2,000 years ago” when God’s Word contradicts his views on same-sex “marriage.”

Bell appeared on Oprah’s Super Soul Sunday program together with his wife Kristen to promote their new book The Zimzum of Love: A New Way of Understanding Marriage. In an interview last December, Bell explained that on page 16 of the book, he and Kristen give their “whole hearted affirmation” to same-sex “marriage” . . .

Explaining to Oprah why they included “gay marriage” in their book, Rob said: “One of the oldest aches in the bones of humanity is loneliness. Loneliness is not good for the world. Whoever you are, gay or straight, it is totally normal, natural and healthy to want someone to go through life with. It’s central to our humanity. We want someone to go on the journey with.”

Of course, he’s absolutely right in terms of the importance of intimate personal relationships. God made us to be relational beings, but in a very specific way. He formed Eve as the fit companion and helper for Adam, the two of them uniquely designed to complement each other in the journey and mission of life.

And Paul’s solution to loneliness (and, even more so, to temptation) was specific as well: “. . . because of the temptation to sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband” (1 Corinthians 7:2). He didn’t say, “Each person should have his or her own companion,” because that was never God’s intention for His creation.

In contrast, what the Bells want to do is take God’s very specific, beautiful blueprint, and radically redesign it in the name of “love.”

To be sure, the Church needs to take on the burden of those who struggle with same-sex attraction, helping them in every way possible to find personal and relational wholeness in Jesus. But we are hurting them rather than helping them when we think we know better than God.

Rob Bell was then asked by Oprah when the Church was going to embrace same-sex “marriage,” to which he responded, “We’re close,” with Kristen adding, “I think it’s evolving.” Rob then explained that, “Lots of people are already there. We think it’s inevitable, and we’re moments . . .” at which point Oprah chimed in with, “Moments away from the Church accepting it?”

Rob’s answer said it all: “Absolutely . . . I think culture is already there, and the Church will continue to be even more irrelevant when it quotes letters from 2,000 years ago as their best defense . . .”

So, according to Rob Bell, the Church of Jesus should follow worldly culture and deny the plain teaching of God’s Word in order to be “relevant.” And according to Bell, human feelings trump God’s Word, which can easily be dismissed as outdated – 2,000 years outdated, it appears.

I guess what’s trending on Twitter trumps the timeless wisdom of the living Word of the living God. I guess an emotional appeal carries far more weight than transcendent truth.

But that is exactly what Rob Bell is calling for: Go with the culture, stay “relevant,” dismiss the outdated biblical evidence, and listen to your emotions.

Kristen, for her part, explained that, some churches are just not getting with the program: “There are churches who are moving forward,” she said, “and there are churches who are almost regressing and making it more of a battle.”

How antiquated! How backwards! How embarrassing!

How dare these churches entrench themselves against the onslaught of worldly culture. How dare they continue to resist the redefining of marriage and the rewriting of the sacred Scriptures. How dare they hold fast to their position that God’s ways are best. How dare they not get with the program of liberal progressivism.

The bad news is that many professing Christians are capitulating to culture and abandoning the holy and wholesome ways of the Lord.

The good news is that the Word of God stands forever (Isaiah 40:7-8; Matthew 24:35), and one day, Oprah Winfrey, with all her massive influence, and Rob and Kirsten Bell, with their substantial influence as well, will be mere footnotes in this age of compromise and apostasy, marked as eternally irrelevant by the only One whose opinion matters.

That’s why I pray for their repentance today.
**Film Review**

**Fifty Shades of Grey**

Nathan Jones

Ah, it’s that age-old love story. Boy meets girl. Boy asks girl to sign consent form. Girl agrees. Boy takes girl up to bedroom where he proceeds to remove her undies and then whip her with . . .

Whoa, whoa, hold up there! That can’t be right. What happened to boy giving girl flowers, fine dining, romance and respect? What about time to get to know each other? Love even? Marriage?!? Well, you won’t find any of those outmoded forms of courtship in the modern-day “romance” novel that has swept the world by firestorm – *Fifty Shades of Grey*.

**Shades of a Sensation**

Okay, I’m a guy, so even watching anything as tame as *Sleepless in Seattle* or reading Jane Austen (universal male groan) is quite beyond me, so I’m not about to tackle a book and movie series aimed at 30-something married women. It’s just not in me. But, I did read the Wikipedia cliff notes, so consider me an expert as much as a guy can be concerning chick flicks.

What’s *Fifty Shades of Grey*? In a nutshell, it’s a story about a 21-year-old college student, Ana Steele (played by Dakota Johnson), who falls in “love” with a handsome but mysterious young billionaire named Christian Grey (Jamie Dornan) after she interviews him for a newspaper article. In almost no time he’s pulling out a contract and a pair of handcuffs and . . . well, it’s got nothing to do with ChiPs.

What *Fifty Shades* has everything to do with is what sociologists call “intimate partner violence” (IPV). That’s when one partner in a relationship resorts to utilizing methods of bondage, discipline, dominance and submission (BDSM) to control the other partner in a relationship. Some think it’s about kinky sex, but in reality it’s all about control. It’s also what therapists label as domestic abuse.

The 3-book series was written in 2011 by E. L. James, a British fan of the *Twilight* vampire novels. She wrote the books under the pen name, Snowqueen’s Icedragon (no, seriously, I’m not making that up), as “a classic redemptive story of a very good, virginial woman taming a deeply flawed man.” And what a deeply flawed man Christian is! (Did she really have to name him Christian?) But anyway, Christian is somewhat of a sympathetic character in that you learn he was abused as a teen by his mother’s pedophileic friend, but that’s the only thing about him that will bring a tear to the eye. After all, who needs love when you’re a rich stud with your own helicopter? The girls, all 15 of them, just swooned over his lavish gifts; you know, the expensive bracelets that hide all the bruise marks earned in the Red Room of Pain. Tantalized yet, Ladies?

You’d think such smut would be read in hiding, and well, distribution began that way as women in secret began downloading the e-book only version. And did it catch on! Once printed by Vintage Books, *Fifty Shades* sold 100 million copies and was translated into over 50 languages, making the *New York Times* bestseller list three months in a row. All this success despite the fact that the critics derided the book as “dull and poorly written,” “depressing” and “a sad joke.”

James made *Time* magazine’s 2012 “100 Most Influential People in the World.” The R-rated movie version came out just in time for Valentine’s Day 2015, smashing records globally in grossing $248 million the opening weekend. There is no doubt that the book has become a mainstream cultural phenomenon.

**Shades of a Counterfeit**

“But, Nathan,” you say, “it’s just a harmless bit of ‘Mommy Porn’ meant to spice up the old love life. What damage can it really do?” Well, you used the word porn right there, and that’s exactly what *Fifty Shades of Grey* is. It is wholesale, unrepentant, in-your-face pornography, packaged and delivered mainstream through your friendly, local bookstores and movie houses. When did a “gagging dose of onscreen sex, nudity, domination, and sadomasochism,” as columnist John Upchurch calls it, become okay for a Christian to meditate on? What ever happened to Philippians 4:8’s admonition to meditate only on what is true, just, noble, pure and lovely?

Okay, for those of you who want to justify the guilty pleasure, just forget the Bible for just a second and consider the results of a recent survey. The University of Michigan did a study of *Fifty Shades* readers and discovered 25 percent were more likely to have an abusive partner, 34 percent were more likely to have a partner who stalked them, and 65 percent were more likely to engage in binge drinking. People who indulge in graphic porn novels, the study discovered, then gravitate towards abusive relationships and eating disorders. Like Mom used to say to us kids, “Garbage in, garbage out.”

Men, tear your eyes away from the game for just a second and look at your wives. Why are they reading this garbage? Gentlemen, we’re dropping the ball here in our marriages. And, look at your daughters. Who’s the role model in their lives? Do we want our little girls aspiring to becoming mindless sex slaves because we’ve been neglecting our wives?

The books sell fantasy, not reality, for money. Lots of money! The devastation that lays in the wake of *Fifty Shades* is a tsunami of broken, dysfunctional and sexually unfulfilled people. They’ve traded the lie of Satan for the real thing — marriage — as it was meant to be, the 1 Corinthians 13 way. Safe. Protected. Honoring. Covenantal. Selfless. Loving. Now doesn’t that sound like what Jesus Christ created for you to enjoy? 🌿

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Praying With Congress

Col. Tim Moore

(Note: Tim Moore serves as an Assistant Evangelist for Lamb & Lion Ministries, preaching on the weekends. He is a Colonel in the US Air Force Reserve, a UPS pilot, and a member of the Kentucky State Legislature.)

In early March, I participated in an event that demonstrates God’s faithfulness to provide Light in the midst of darkness. The Congressional Prayer Caucus Foundation hosted a gathering of state and federal legislators at the Billy Graham Library in Charlotte, North Carolina, for a “Religious Liberty Summit.” Our theme for the weekend was “Leaders Inspiring Faith & Freedom to America.” Because I am one of the founders of the Prayer Caucus in the Kentucky General Assembly, I was invited to attend. I offered greetings from our Caucus and also shared the message and ministry of Lamb & Lion.

The Congressional Prayer Caucus was started in 2005 by a small bipartisan group of Christian Congressmen who committed to pray for our nation and work to preserve the presence of religion, faith, and morality in America. Like Nehemiah, they realized that because “our kings, our leaders, our priests, and our fathers have not kept [God’s] law or paid attention to [His] commandments and [His] admonitions . . . we are slaves today . . . and in great distress” (Nehemiah 9:34-37, NASB). Under the leadership of Congressman Randy Forbes of Virginia, the Congressional Prayer Caucus has become a strong voice for godliness and preserving America’s Christian heritage. The Caucus meets to pray weekly and now includes 86 members of Congress.

Partnering with the privately-funded Congressional Prayer Caucus Foundation and following the bold example of those national leaders, legislators in many states around the nation have formed their own state-level legislative prayer caucuses. Collectively, we enthusiastically promote the nation’s official motto: “In God We Trust.” We advocate for religious freedom (particularly in government, schools, and the military), public prayer, and the role of faith in our nation’s founding. While militant atheists attempt to eradicate the presence of God from the public square, members of the Congressional Prayer Caucus support the values that once defined who we are as a people. We aspire to restore the great wisdom often attributed to Alexis de Tocqueville: “If America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great.”

Our nation is teetering on the precipice of just such a reality. Even our President has declared that America is no longer a Christian nation. A great darkness seems to be descending upon our land — threatening to cast a deep shadow over our “city on a hill.” Indeed, it is easy to listen to the news and realize that a pervading gloom is menacing the entire world. On many fronts, at home and abroad, it appears that Christians are on the defense and Christianity itself is in retreat. Some believers have all but resigned themselves to the inevitability of the world’s decline and take comfort only in the knowledge that Jesus Christ’s return is imminent.

The explosion of evil should come as no surprise to us as believers. We know from Scripture that the world will indeed spiral into darkness in the end times. Jesus said, “Just as it was in Noah’s time, so it will be in the days of the Son of Man” (Luke 17:26, ISV).

While we do not celebrate darkness, those of us who “eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ” (Philippians 3:20, NASB), recognize that the rise of sin in the world is simply another sign that we are living on borrowed time — that the Lord is at the very gates of Heaven. And yet, while many of the signs declaring the soon return of Christ are obviously negative in nature, others are undeniably positive.

The Congressional Prayer Caucus demonstrates God’s faithfulness to bless us with very positive signs pointing to His return. He does so to remind us of the lesson Elijah learned after being tempted to think he alone was faithful. In 1 Kings 19, the Lord assured Elijah that He had preserved a remnant scattered throughout Israel. He has also preserved a faithful remnant today and scattered them throughout our nation and the world.

Our ability to discern the season of the Lord’s return was assumed by the writer of Hebrews, who urged believers not to “forsake our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but [to] encourage one another, and all the more as you see the day drawing near” (Hebrews 10:25, NASB). The word “encourage” literally means “full of heart.” Those of us whose hearts are filled with the Holy Spirit will inevitably overflow with faith, hope, and love — to the amazement of a lost world.

The Congressional Prayer Caucus Summit also testifies to an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our days. American Christians should take heart, knowing that there is a growing chorus of voices at every level of government proclaiming their allegiance to the cause of Christ and their determination to serve under His Lordship. I would encourage you to join us in confidently proclaiming the name of Christ and living out Daniel’s affirmation: “the people who know their God will display strength and take action” (Daniel 11:32, NASB).

It has been said that “it’s better to light a candle than curse the darkness.” The Light we share is no mere flickering candle flame. Nor can it be blown out by the slightest gust of wind or raging gale of the enemy. Our Light is none other than Christ Himself.

At Lamb & Lion Ministries, we have purposed to shine His light in our darkening world. We proclaim the good news that soon-and very soon-He will burst forth from Heaven in all His glory and darkness will be banished from the earth.
In October of 2014 Pope Francis endorsed the Big Bang Theory for the origin of the universe and Evolution for the origin of life. “When we read about Creation in Genesis,” he said, “we run the risk of imagining God was a magician, with a magic wand able to do everything. But that is not so.” Oh? Really? Since when? It is true that God is not a magician, but He is the Creator with the power to create from nothing. Also, if the first chapter of Genesis cannot be believed for what it says, how can we believe any of the Bible?

The pastor of GracePointe Church in Franklin, Tennessee, Stan Mitchell, recently announced that a “Divine Wind” had convinced him that homosexuality and same-sex marriage are okay. The good news is that when he announced two years ago that he was open minded about the subject and would be “open to listening” about it, his church started declining in membership. At that time the church was averaging 1,000 in attendance. After he made the announcement about his decision, church attendance plunged to 670. At last report is was averaging 480. Since then are pastors authorized to make doctrinal decisions according to “Divine Winds” that contradict God’s Word? Many well-known musicians attend this church. One of them, Carrie Underwood, made it clear that she supports her pastor’s decision.

A megachurch pastor, Perry Noble, at NewSpring Church in Anderson, South Carolina, recently announced that the Ten Commandments are not really commandments. Rather, they are Ten Promises. He even presented a revised version of the commandments, worded as promises. For example, “You shall not steal” became “I will provide.” And “You shall not commit adultery” became “You do not have to live a life dominated by the guilt, pain and shame associated with sexual sin.” Incredibly, this is the 7th largest church in the Southern Baptist Convention, with a membership of 14,000 at the home campus and 32,000 at 11 campuses spread across the state. Pastor Noble was immediately rebuked by the President of the South Carolina Baptist Convention. Perry then apologized, stating that a Jewish friend in Israel had told him there was no word for commandment in Hebrew. “I now realize,” he said, “I should have put more time into doing research before making such a statement.” Duh and Amen!

In January, St. James Episcopal Church in Wichita, Kansas conducted a celebration of the 42nd anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. It took the form of a chili dinner on the church grounds. The event was dubbed, “Chili for Choice,” and the proceeds from the tickets were donated to Planned Parenthood to help them perform more abortions. “Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness” (Isaiah 5:20).

The new Dean for Religious Life at Stanford University has some advice for churches. The Reverend Jane Shaw says churches should be “less churchy.” She says this can be accomplished by focusing less on conversion and more on such things as art and global warming. She made it clear that she really has no interest in converting anyone to Christianity. Rush Limbaugh responded by pointing out that she has made it clear that the essence of her religion is the worship of Mother Earth. And, by the way, she happens to be an LGBT activist and a lesbian.

In December of 2014 the Church of England named Reverend Libby Lane the Bishop of Stockport, one month after the church decided to violate the Scriptures by allowing women to serve as bishops.

In October of 2014 a church in Tulsa, Oklahoma raised a lot of eyebrows when it announced that it was going to sponsor a “Beer and Hymns Sunday.” The announcement was made by the East Side Christian Church which is affiliated with the liberal Disciples of Christ denomination. There was a three beer limit, and ID’s were checked at the door. It is this kind of nonsense that is causing the Disciples of Christ to hemorrhage members nation wide. Jennifer LeClaire, news editor of Charisma, asked, “Are beer-based outreaches really edifying in the end?” She added, “If we compromise the purity and holiness of the Christian faith to win souls, are we really leading them into a true salvation after the bottle of beer is empty? Or, are we merely compromising the Gospel in the name of soul-winning without fruit that remains?”

New research by the Barna group has revealed that while 90 percent of pastors believe the Bible has much to say about today’s pressing political and social issues, less than 10 percent are willing to talk about those issues from the pulpit. Is it any wonder why our nation has lost its moral compass? The survey proves what Donald Wildmon of the American Family Association has been saying for a long time — namely, “that the problem with our nation is 300,000 silent pulpits.” Sam Rohrer, president of the American Pastors Network, responded to the poll by saying:

The reality is that most people, including pastors, wish to be comfortable and avoid controversy . . . The fact is that many pastors are more concerned with the size of their buildings and church bank accounts than with the condition of the souls they shepherd . . .
Thumbing Our Nose At God —

Our President is not satisfied with just issuing a proclamation each June celebrating sexual perversion. No, he is determined to honor it in every way he can possibly imagine, from White House receptions to presidential appointments. At last year’s White House reception in June, the President spent a lot of time bragging about his efforts to promote sexual perversion. He pointed out that there was only one homosexual federal judge when he became President, but that now there are 11. He rejoiced over the fact that same-sex marriage has become legal in 10 more states since he was elected. He boasted about his decisions to abandon the Defense of Marriage Act and to repeal the “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy in the military. One of the most shameful acts of his Administration is one that most Americans are not aware of. It was the decision to fly the homosexual flag over the American Embassy in Tel Aviv last year during that city’s annual Gay Pride Parade. And we call ourselves a “Christian nation”?

Atheism on Parade —

An Atheist demanded the “right” to pray before the City Commission meeting in Lake Worth, Florida, and he was given the opportunity on December 2, 2014. Four of the five commissioners — including the mayor — walked out of the room. The lone commissioner who stayed said he thought it was disrespectful and “un-American” for the commissioners to walk out. The Atheist opened his prayer by addressing it to Mother Earth and by praising Allah and Satan! And people remained with their heads bowed? The “prayer” was a blasphemous mockery of prayer from beginning to end:

Mother Earth, we gather today in your redeeming and glorious presence, to invoke your eternal guidance in the universe, the original Creator of all things.

May the efforts of this council blend the righteousness of Allah with the all-knowing wisdom of Satan. May Zeus, the great God of justice, grant us strength tonight. Jesus might forgive our shortcomings while Buddha enlightens us through His divine affection. We praise you, Krishna, for the sanguine sacrifice that freed us all. After all, if Almighty Thor is with us, who can ever be against us?

And finally, for the bounty of logic, reason, and science, we simply thank the atheists, agnostics and humanists, who now account for 1 in 5 Americans, and are growing rapidly. In closing, let us, above all, love one another, not to obtain mythical rewards for ourselves now, hereafter, or based on superstitious threats of eternal damnation, but rather, embrace secular-based principles of morality — and do good for goodness’ sake.

And then, he looked up with a smirk on his face, and ended his prayer with the words, “So what?” Have you ever wondered why Atheists are so preoccupied with the God they do not believe in?

Academic Insanity —

Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut was founded in 1831 as a Methodist school. In 1937 it abandoned its association with the Methodist Church and became a secular school. This year it abandoned its rationality when it announced that it was going to start providing specialized housing for 15 different alternative sexualities under the banner of LGBTTTQQFAGPB DSSM! In case you are not up to date on all the various sexual identities that are floating around today, the acronym stands for: lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, queer, questioning, flexual, asexual, genderf***, polyamorous, bondage/disciple, dominance/submission and sadism/masochism. (I’m not making this up!) Only one group wanting specialized housing was denied their request — male-only fraternities. I am reminded of the words in Romans 1:22 where it says, “Professing to be wise, they have become fools.”

At Metropolitan State University of Denver there is a college professor who has laid down a unique requirement for taking his course in American Civilization. All students enrolled in the class are required to recite the professor’s spoof on the Pledge of Allegiance. It reads as follows:

I pledge allegiance to and wrap myself in the flag of the United States against anything un-American and to the Republicans for which it stands, two nations, under Jesus, rich against poor, with curtailed liberty and justice for all except blacks, homosexuals, women who want abortions, communists, welfare queens, tree-huggers, feminazis, illegal immigrants, children of illegal immigrant, and you, if you don’t watch your step.

The professor is a self-proclaimed Atheist and Socialist. And his salary is paid by the taxpayers of Colorado.

Religious Discrimination —

All across this nation, Christians are being discriminated against in many different ways, particularly when it comes to job hiring and promotions. But one of the newest and worst ways is judges forcing Christian owned businesses to provide services to homosexuals. A judge in Washington State ruled in February that a Christian florist had to provide flowers for a same-sex marriage, even though it violated her religious beliefs. In his ruling, he said, “While religious beliefs are protected by the First Amendment, actions based on those beliefs are not.” He needs to read the First Amendment. It speaks of “free exercise of religion.”

The homosexual flag flying over the American Embassy in Tel Aviv in June of 2014.
**British Humor —**

Each year in December, the Board of Trustees of Lamb & Lion Ministries holds a three day retreat. This past year one of the featured speakers was Kenneth Humphries, the Evangelist for a Bible prophecy ministry we support in Northern Ireland, called Treasured Truth. Kenneth has a great sense of humor, and in the sermon he delivered, he made the following observation concerning the viewpoint about salvation that is held by various groups within the United Kingdom:

The British love salvation because they can talk about it.  
The Welsh love salvation because they can sing about it.  
The Scots love salvation because it is free.  
The Irish love salvation because they can fight about it.

**Concerning the Jews —**

**Spreading Hatred**

“Hated by the left, hated by the right, hated by the Islamics, and disliked by most mainstream Christian leaders, the Jews will soon have nowhere to turn, except the Lord!” — Alan Franklin, a Christian newspaper editor in London.

**Attempts at Annihilation**

“Every time someone tries to wipe out the Jews, the Jewish people just end up getting a new holiday:  
With Pharaoh, they got Passover,  
With Haman, they got Purim,  
With Antiochus Epiphanes, they got Hanukkah,  
With Hitler, they got the rebirth of their nation and Independence Day.” (Submitted by Roberta Potts in Tucson, Arizona.)

**Boycotts**

Iran’s supreme leader, the Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, has called for the Muslim world to boycott anything that originates with the Jewish people. A Jewish pharmacist by the name of Meyer Treinkman responded as follows:

“Any Muslim who has Syphilis cannot be cured by taking Salvarsan, a medicine discovered by a Jew. Nor can he even take the Wassermann Test to determine if he has Syphilis because it was developed by a Jew. The same is true of the test to determine Gonorrhea. Further, those Muslims with heart problems will not be able to use Digitalis since it was discovered by a Jew. In like manner, those with toothaches will not be able to use Novocaine to kill the pain because it was a Jewish discovery. Even more serious, those afflicted with Diabetes cannot use Insulin, those with Tuberculosis cannot take Streptomycin, and no Muslim can be given the Polio vaccine. And these are only a few examples from the field of medicine. And, oh, one thing more — don’t call a doctor on your cell phone because the cell phone was invented in Israel by a Jewish engineer.”

**Support**

“When Israel, the only country in the world whose very existence is under attack, is consistently and conspicuously singled out for condemnation, I believe we are morally obligated to take a stand... As long as I am Prime Minister, Canada will take that stand whatever the cost.” — Stephen Harper, PM of Canada.

**Homosexuality —**

“People are always telling me that Jesus never said anything specifically about homosexuality. Well, the first chapter of John says Jesus was God, and the Bible, God’s Word, condemns homosexuality from beginning to end.” — Carl Gallups, pastor and author in Milton, Florida.

Roberto de Mattei, 63, the deputy head of Italy’s National Research Council, recently claimed that his study of the nation’s history had convinced him that the Roman Empire was fatally weakened after conquering Carthage, which he described as “a paradise for homosexuals.” He argued that “the effeminacy of Carthage” infected Rome. Comparing the situation to contemporary Italy, he concluded: “Today we live in an era in which the worst vices are inscribed in law as ‘human rights.’” He was immediately denounced in the press as a “homophobic fundamentalist.”

“Though social research organizations consistently find that those with gender identity issues make up less that 3 percent of the population, that tiny minority has become the most vociferous enemy of faith and family — and has rallied a substantial political constituency.” — Mark Alexander, Executive Editor and Publisher of The Patriot Post.

“I believe that marriage is the union between a man and a woman. Now, for me as a Christian... it is also a sacred union. God’s in the mix... I am not somebody who promotes same-sex marriage.” Barack Obama during the 2008 presidential election.

**“Liberals claim to want to give a hearing to other views, but then are shocked and offended to discover that there are other views.” — William F. Buckley, Jr.**

**An Observation About Christ —**

Dr. Henry Morris III, the Chief Executive Officer of The Institute for Creation Research in Dallas, Texas, recently made the following observation concerning preaching about Jesus:

“Failure to present Christ as Creator negates His power.  
Failure to present Christ as Lord negates His authority.  
Failure to present Christ as Judge negates His holiness.”

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**Television Update**

**Two Popular Programs**

During early March we received an overwhelming response from our television viewers to two programs that featured the presentation that Dr. Reagan made at our 2014 Bible conference. This particular sermon has proved to be so popular that we have issued it in a video album titled, “The Twilight of America.” The sermon outlines in detail the spiritual deterioration of our nation and the rising tide of Christian persecution that it is producing.

**National Networks:**

- **Daystar** — Wed. 6:00pm CT, DirecTV 369, DISH 263, Cable, AT&T U-verse 563, Broadcast Stations, World Satellites, & Web Streaming (daystar.com).
- **TCC (The Church Channel)** — Sat. 8:30pm CT, DirecTV 371, DISH 258, Broadcast Stations, World Satellites, & Web Streaming (churchchannel.tv).
- **NRB (National Religious Broadcasters)** — Sun. 4:00pm CT, DirecTV 378 & Web Streaming (nrbnetwork.tv).
- **GEB (Golden Eagle Broadcasting)** — Tue. 6:00pm CT, DirecTV 363 & Web Streaming (gebamerica.com).
- **TCT (Total Christian Television)** — Sun. 6:00pm CT, DirecTV 377, Cable, & Web Streaming (tct.tv).
- **WHT (LeSea World Harvest TV)** — Sun. 6:00pm CT, DirecTV 367, AT&T U-verse 578, Galaxy Satellite 15 & Web Streaming (lesea.com/wht).
- **CTVVN (Cornerstone TV Network)** — Sun. 8:00pm CT, Flagship Station in Pittsburgh, PA, 113 Affiliated Stations, Glorystar Satellite, & Web Streaming (ctvn.org).
- **CTN (Christian TV Network)** — Mon. 5:00pm CT, DirecTV 376, DISH 267, Glorystar and Thaicom 5 Satellites, & Web Streaming (ctnonline.com).

**Regional Networks:**

- **Family Vision Network** — Sun. 12:30am CT, Mon. 8:30am, and Wed. 7:00pm, Three Broadcast Stations and Cable throughout Southern Louisiana.
- **KSCE** — Sun. 10:30am MT, Broadcast Station in El Paso, TX. DirecTV & DISH Local 38, Cable, AT&T U-verse 38, & Web Streaming (ksce.tv).
- **TLN (Total Living Network)** — Sun. 6:30pm CT, Broadcast Station in Chicago, IL.

- **KTLN (Total Living Network)** — Sun. 6:30pm PT, Broadcast Station in San Francisco (Channel 25) & Web Streaming (ktln.tv).
- **VTN (Victory TV)** — Sat. 6:00pm CT, Three Broadcast Stations in Arkansas, Cable, DirecTV & DISH Local 25.
- **KVBA (Vision Broadcasting)** — Thrs. 8:30pm MT, Broadcast Station in Alamogordo, NM (kvbatv.com).
- **WATC TV-57** — Sat. 11:00pm ET, Broadcast station in Atlanta, GA (http://watic.tv). **NEW!**

**Internet Networks:**

- Our programs are available on demand on these websites.
  - **HisChannel** — HisChannel.com
  - **LightSource** — LightSource.com
  - **YouTube** — YouTube.com/user/ChristinProphecy
  - **Vimeo** — Vimeo.com
  - **GodTube** — GodTube.com
  - **GodTV** — via LightSource.com
  - **DailyMotion** — (European equivalent of YouTube.) DailyMotion.com/us
  - **All Nations Network** — AllNationsTV.com **NEW!**
  - **Lamb & Lion Ministries** — LambLion.com

**Meetings & Conferences**

Evangelists Nathan Jones and Tim Moore are available for weekend preaching and teaching engagements.

All of you are familiar with Nathan Jones, our wonderful Web Minister and Associate Evangelist. He has been with us since 2007. He monitors our website daily, responding to questions about Bible prophecy and challenges from cults and false religions.

Tim Moore is our new part time Assistant Evangelist. He is a Colonel in the United States Air Force Reserve. He is also a commercial pilot and a member of the Kentucky State Legislature.

Consider inviting one of these men to speak at your church.
Inviting You to the 2015
Lamb & Lion Bible Conference

Theme:  Messages for a Rebellious Nation
Dates:  July 10-11, 2015 (Friday evening through Saturday afternoon)
Location:  The Marriott Conference Center in Allen, Texas
Host:  Dr. David Reagan and the Staff of Lamb & Lion Ministries

Speakers
Kelly Shackelford — President of Liberty Institute in Texas, an influential non-profit law firm, dedicated to defending and restoring religious liberty across America. He is a constitutional scholar who has argued before the U. S. Supreme Court and testified before the U.S. House and Senate on constitutional issues related to religious liberty.

Bob Russell — Former pastor of Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky, one of the nation’s largest churches. Now through Bob Russell Ministries, he continues to preach at churches and conferences, provide guidance for church leadership, mentor other ministers, author books and produce Bible study videos for use in small groups.

Tim Wildmon — President of the American Family Association (AFA) and American Family Radio (AFR). AFA is a pro-family advocacy organization with over two million online supporters. He is the co-host of two national radio programs produced by the AFA. He frequently appears on secular TV programs as a spokesman for conservative Christian values.

Al Gist — Evangelist for Maranatha Evangelistic Ministries in DeRidder, Louisiana. A powerful conference speaker who hosts an annual mega-conference concerning Bible prophecy. He produces a highly respected monthly newsletter that focuses on the Signs of the Times. He also hosts a couple of pilgrimages to Israel each year and is considered to be an expert on Israel in prophecy.

Dave Reagan — A former professor of international law and politics. Founder of Lamb & Lion Ministries and its Senior Evangelist. Host of the ministry’s TV program, “Christ in Prophecy” which is broadcast nationwide. Author of many books about Bible prophecy. Expert on the Middle East which he has visited 45 times. Producer of many video teaching programs.

Musicians
The conference will begin on Friday evening, July 10 with a concert by Marty Goetz. Marty is a Messianic Jewish musician, recording artist, and anointed worship leader. He was the featured musician at our 2009 conference and is being invited back by popular demand.

Our featured vocalist will be Jack Hollingsworth. Jack wandered the streets homeless for 20 years before his life was transformed by Jesus. For the past 20 years he and his wife, Sally, have traveled the nation speaking, teaching, and singing. He is the featured singer on the Lamb & Lion television program, “Christ in Prophecy.”

Banquet
The conference will kickoff on Friday evening with a banquet that will celebrate Lamb & Lion Ministry’s 35th anniversary. Marty Goetz will provide a concert, and Robert Jeffress will be the featured speaker. Jeffress is the pastor of First Baptist Church in Dallas. He is known for his boldness and courage in speaking out in behalf of Christianity and absolute truth. He is an anointed speaker, writer and defender of the faith. There is a charge of $50 per person for the banquet.

Registration
The five Saturday sessions of the conference are free of charge, but seating is limited, so registration is required. To register, call 972-736-3567 between 8am and 5pm Central time, Monday through Friday, or register at our website: www.lamblion.com. For those desiring to attend the Friday evening banquet, there is a charge of $50 per seat that must be paid at the time of registration for the conference.

Venue and Accommodations
The conference will be held at the Marriott Conference Center in Allen, Texas, a suburb of Dallas. The Marriott will also serve as the official conference hotel. A special room rate of $99 has been arranged. To reserve a room, call 214-383-1151 or 1-800-627-7468 and ask for the Lamb & Lion Conference rate (group code LLMC). ✦
Special Sale Items!

Living for Christ in the End Times. This is the book that Dr. Reagan personally considers to be his best. It deals with how Christians are to cope with the two greatest challenges of the 21st Century — Anarchy and Apostasy. The first two chapters are very hard-hitting ones that deal with the rapid decay of society and the explosion of apostasy in the church. The next ten chapters present principles that Christians can follow to live victorious lives in the midst of a world that is coming apart at the seams, returning to what it was in the days of Noah. The final two chapters present prophetic material about the victory believers will experience when Jesus returns. 264 pages. Normally $15. Special sale price of $10 plus the cost of shipping.

Jesus the Lamb and the Lion. This book presents a sweeping survey of Bible prophecy that relates to the First and Second Comings of Jesus. In the process, many key questions concerning Jesus are addressed. For example, was the virgin birth of Jesus anticipated in Bible prophecy? Was the resurrection of Jesus prophesied, or was it the result of wishful thinking? Was the deity of Jesus foretold in prophecy, or was it an idea manufactured by His disciples? How can Jesus be found in the Bible in symbolic prophecy? Additionally, the book presents extensive evidence of the validity of the virgin birth of Jesus, His deity and His resurrection. 238 pages. Normally $15. Special sale price of $10 plus the cost of shipping.

50 Reasons Why We Are Living in the End Times. One of Dr. Reagan’s most exciting presentations. He presents a breathtaking overview of all the signs of the times, including the signs of nature, society, technology, world politics, the Church, and Israel. He then presents 50 specific signs that clearly point to the fact that we are living in the season of the Lord’s return. The presentation is illustrated from beginning to end with PowerPoint slides. Videotaped before a live audience at a Steeling the Mind Conference. 50 minutes. DVD, normally $12. Special sale price of $7 plus the cost of shipping.

Eternity Package.

Dr. Reagan’s book, Eternity: Heaven or Hell? plus two of his videos, one about Heaven and the other about Death. The book runs 197 pages in length. It presents an in-depth study of what happens to both believers and unbelievers when they die. The death video runs 50 minutes. It is a very informative and enlightening presentation about the Christian hope of life after death. The heaven video contains three 25 minute programs about various aspects of Heaven. The book normally sells for $15, the videos for $12 each — for a total price of $39. Special sale price of $30, plus the cost of shipping. When ordering, ask for Offer #450.

The Strange World of Church Signs.

This is an extremely humorous, and at the same time, very serious, video presentation. Dr. Reagan surveys 200 church signs in 20 categories from the weird to the profound. Most are very hilarious. Others are thought-provoking. All are fascinating. A few are downright unbelievable. The presentation ends on a very serious note with a survey of the signs of the times that point to the soon return of Jesus. A great witnessing tool. Normally $12. Special sale price of $7 plus the cost of shipping.

Fundamentals of Bible Prophecy.

This album contains six programs on two DVDs. Each program runs about 25 minutes in length, for a total of 150 minutes. All six programs were delivered by Dr. Reagan before a live audience. They provide a comprehensive introduction to all the fundamentals of Bible prophecy. One of the discs contains printable files for a Teacher’s Manual and Student Study Guides. Each presentation is lavishly illustrated with pictures, charts and diagrams. A great resource for both learning and teaching Bible prophecy. Normally $25. Special sale price of $15 plus the cost of shipping.
Revelation Study Resources

New! Wrath & Glory Audio Version —

Dr. Reagan’s chapter-by-chapter commentary on the book of Revelation, Wrath and Glory, is now available in an audio version. It comes on one CD in MP3 format. The reading is done by a professional named Alvin Price, whose website, “A Priceless Voice,” can be found at www.apricelessvoice.com. This audio version runs a total of 8 hours. The album sells for $20 plus the cost of mailing.

Wrath & Glory Book —

This book, first published in August of 2001, has proved to be one of Dr. Reagan’s most popular books and has gone through many printings. It has also been translated and published in many languages. It is as fresh and relevant today as when it was first published.

The book begins with a chapter about the keys to understanding Revelation. Dr. Reagan then takes you through Revelation chapter-by-chapter, explaining each one in detail. In the third chapter, Dr. Reagan explains how the book can be systematized into an overall picture of end time events. The fourth chapter addresses the most frequently asked questions about the book. And the final chapter draws lessons from Revelation that are relevant to Christian living, here and now. The book sells for $15 plus the cost of shipping. 230 pages.

One of our supporters has financed the translation and printing of Wrath & Glory in Spanish, and we are making it available free of charge to any person requesting it. We only ask that you pay for the shipping charge. We can also supply boxes of the Spanish version to Spanish churches and ministries for the cost of shipping.

In-Depth Audio Study of Revelation —

Dr. David Reagan presents an in-depth verse-by-verse survey of the book of Revelation. The interpretive approach is to accept the book of Revelation to mean what it says. This is a great study resource for either individuals or groups. Home study groups and Sunday School classes all over the world are using it to guide their study of Revelation.

The album is available in two different formats: Twelve CDs, $35; one MP3 CD, $15. A study guide is also available for $5.

Revelation Overview Video —

A dramatic, visually packed presentation that takes the viewer through the book of Revelation chapter by chapter. Full of maps, diagrams, charts, still photos, animations, and video footage. The theme is that the book of Revelation is not difficult to understand; rather, it is difficult to believe. Therefore, if you will believe it for its plain sense meaning, you will understand it. This program makes common sense out of a book that most Christians think is indecipherable. 75 minutes, DVD, $12. This video is also available with Chinese sub-titles.

Prophecy Forum Books

Two of Dr. Reagan’s most recent books contain prophecy forum sections where he provides the fascinating answers of 22 Bible prophecy experts to questions relevant to the books’ themes.

One concerns what the Bible says about the Antichrist and his role in the Tribulation. 221 pages. $15

The other book is about the Signs of the Times that point to the Lord’s soon return. 308 pages. $15

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Ministry News

Speaking Schedule —

May:
Dr. Reagan at the Kiamichi Men’s Clinic in Honobia, OK (5-7).
Nathan Jones at The Blessed Hope Prophecy Seminar at Abundant Life Church in Indio, CA (22-23).
Dr. Reagan at Brookhaven Church in McKinney, TX (31 - evening).

June:
Dr. Reagan at a Creation Seminar at the Ridgecrest Conference Center in Ridgecrest, NC (5-6).
Tim Moore and George Collich leading a pilgrimage group to Israel (6-17).

July:
Dr. Reagan at the Lamb & Lion Bible Conference in Allen, TX (10-11).
Nathan and Heather Jones at the Women’s Advance Conference at Crestwood Baptist Church in Crestwood, KY (25-26).
Tim Moore at a Prophecy Conference at Portland Christian School in Louisville, KY (27).

August:
Dr. Reagan at the David Hocking Annual Prophecy Conference at Calvary Chapel in Chino Hills, CA (7-8).
Dr. Reagan at Maranatha Ministry’s Annual Prophecy Conference at Trinity Baptist Church in Lake Charles, Louisiana (28-29).

September:
Nathan Jones at the Prophecy Matters Conference at Calvary Chapel in Tyler, TX (12).
Dr. Reagan at the West Coast Bible Prophecy Conference hosted by According to Prophecy Ministries at the San Diego Christian Worship Center in San Diego, CA (20-22).

New Videos

One of our newest video albums is called “The Reality of Hell.” Edward Fudge, an attorney and theologian in Houston, who has written a definitive academic study of Hell called The Fire That Consumes, recently issued the following statement about this video: “I have just viewed one of the finest video teachings involving Last Things that I have ever seen... This 45 minute video is clear, biblical, fair, temperate, persuasive and irenic — as it sets out the two major views of Hell as understood by most Evangelical Christians. It’s an excellent introduction to the subject, and I highly recommend it.” This video program sells for $12 plus the cost of shipping.

Another new video is a revised edition of Dr. Reagan’s sermon on the end time sign of the exponential curve. This has proved to be one of our most popular videos over the years. Last year it was completely updated and expanded in length. It is a fascinating survey about how Bible prophecy was fulfilled during the 20th Century thru the exponential growth of all aspects of life. This program is a good witnessing tool. The album sells for $12 plus the cost of shipping.

Come visit us! The next time you are in the Dallas, Texas area, plan to drop by our headquarters for a visit. We would love to get personally acquainted with you. Meanwhile, please remember us in your prayers.

The staff of Lamb & Lion Ministries invites you to become one of our Prophecy Partners. We need your prayer and financial support for our effort to proclaim the soon return of Jesus to as many people as possible as quickly as possible. To become a member, give us a call at 972-736-3567 and make a commitment to donate $25 or more per month for one year. You will start receiving a letter each month from Dr. Reagan together with a special gift like a video program or publication.
Anniversary Edition of Dr. Reagan’s First Book

Dr. Reagan wrote his first book during a Sabbatical year that he took in 1987. Since that time it has blessed thousand all over the world, the most common response being, “I was laughing one moment and crying the next.”

One of the reasons the book has had such an emotional impact is because it is written in anecdotal style, with one fascinating story after another. Dr. Reagan revised the book in 1994 and a second edition was published that year. In December of last year, Dr. Reagan decided keep the book in print by preparing a greatly expanded third edition.

“I didn’t realize until I started writing,” said Dr. Reagan, “that more than half the history of the ministry had passed since the second edition in 1994.” The result was a much more major revision than what Dr. Reagan had in mind when he started. He ended up adding 13 new chapters. The original edition ran 190 pages. The 1994 second edition had 255 pages. This new third edition has a total of 333 pages.

The book tells the very personal story of how Dr. Reagan ran from the Lord’s call on his life for 20 years, until the Lord hit him over the head with a baseball bat and got his undivided attention! Dr. Reagan then tells how he gave up his academic career and stepped out in faith to serve the Lord.

As Dr. Reagan puts it in the book, he quickly discovered that there is a big difference in teaching and preaching about faith and living by faith. Slowly but surely he began to understand what it means to trust in God for everything. And yes, as he chronicles the experiences that God put him through, you will be laughing one moment and crying the next.

The book sells for $15, plus the cost of shipping. You can place your order by calling 972-736-3567 between 8am and 5pm Central time, Monday through Friday. Or, you can place your order through our website at www.lamblion.com.

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