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Alamagordo

A Mistake You Only Make Once!

I hope you will read my related article on Kosovo in this issue of the *Trumpet* (page 6). I believe it to be extremely important.

The biblical name for Germany is *Assyria*, which we have proven for many years. Germany is the **ONLY NATION EVER TO REPENT** when God sent a prophet (Jonah) to warn them. They are the **ONLY** example of hope for the nations of this world to escape a nuclear disaster! I certainly am not anti-German. We have some deeply converted German members in our Church. However, we also need to keep ourselves **BASED IN REALITY**.

Just a few years ago, a German training center was established at the Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, New Mexico. This facility will eventually have 42 Tornado fighter planes and 24 F-4 Phantom jet fighters.

The Pentagon has stated that this was the **FIRST PERMANENT** foreign military base to be built in America. Notice—the **FIRST PERMANENT** foreign military base ever established in the U.S! I wonder, **WHY** was it never done before? Is it because it might be so terribly dangerous?

Are we so vain that we have failed to learn from the history of our forefathers? Have our leaders become so proud that they fail to learn from the precious lessons of history? Have we forgotten that Germany plunged this planet into two **WORLD WARS** which killed between 60 and 70 million people?

Even before World War I, Winston Churchill was trying to get his fellow countrymen to see the danger in trusting Germany. Here is a quote from Churchill's book about World War I, titled *World Crisis* (emphasis mine): "They sound so very cautious and correct, these deadly words. Soft, quiet voices purring, courteous, grave, exactly measured phrases in large, peaceful rooms. But with less warning **CANNONS HAD OPENED FIRE** and nations had been **STRUCK DOWN** by this same Germany.... It is

too foolish, too fantastic to be thought of in the 20th century. Or is it fire and murder leaping out of the darkness at our throats, torpedoes ripping the bellies of half-awakened ships, a sunrise on a vanished naval supremacy, and an island well-guarded hitherto, at last defenseless? No, it is nothing. No one would do such things. **CIVILIZATION HAS CLIMBED ABOVE SUCH PERILS**. The interdependence of nations in trade and traffic, the sense of

public law, the Hague Convention, Liberal principles, the Labor Party, high finance, Christian charity, common sense have rendered such nightmares *impossible*. Are you quite sure? It would be a *pity* to be wrong. Such a mistake could **ONLY BE MADE ONCE—ONCE FOR ALL**."

People were saying that Germany and the world were too civilized to plunge this planet into a world war. Then came World

War I—the worst war ever. Then came World War II, far worse, with the death of some 50 million people!

Are we too civilized for such a tragedy today?

And what if our gamble with Germany today is dead wrong? As Churchill said, **IT IS A MISTAKE YOU MAKE ONLY ONCE!** ALL Americans will pay the deadly price! It gives us the potential to be attacked from within.

GERMANY HAD A HISTORY OF STRIKING DOWN NATIONS WITH LITTLE OR NO WARNING BEFORE WORLD WAR I! Churchill knew their history. "The wars of Frederick and of Bismarck had shown with what extraordinary rapidity and suddenness the Prussian nation was accustomed to fall upon its enemy.... Obviously, therefore, the danger of a 'bolt from the blue' was by no means fantastic" (*ibid.*, p. 97).

The Germans had a history before World War I of attacking enemies with "**RAPIDITY AND SUDDENNESS**"—like a "**BOLT FROM THE BLUE**"! What if Germany becomes our enemy? What if they never really were a loyal friend?

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IDEALISTS' DREAMS

of peace following the close of the era of Cold War seem to have turned into a millennial nightmare.

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**DANGEROUS
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**WHAT'S
BEHIND THE
CRISIS
IN FOREIGN
RELATIONS?**

BY RON FRASER

THE COLLAPSE OF THE Soviet Union at the turn of the current decade, embellished by the demonstration of the potential of massive U.S. firepower in the Gulf War of 1991, left the world with the impression that it was now dominated by a solitary superpower, the United States.

Many foreign-policy exponents saw the U.S. as simply playing the role of world policeman, steering the nations toward what President George Bush declared was an emerging *New World Order*. Some idealistic minds thought they caught a glimpse of a world at peace on the horizon.

VISIONS OF STREAMS

of Balkan refugees fill television tubes nightly, reminiscent of the tide of humanity displaced 50 years ago by the greatest war known to man.

AP-WIDEWORLD



THE CURRENT U.S. administration has deployed more troops in more countries over a wider area than ever occurred during the Cold War.

Such has been the dream of the idealist and the hope of all sensible men and women throughout history. Yet, the ongoing history of man has continued to deliver war—war from generation to generation. Indeed, it seems, as one current observer has alluded, he who seizes hold of the future of war holds in his hand the future of humanity. In the human sense, this is what real power is all about.

As Donald Kagan states in his recent treatise on the subject, “The wisest modern students of war have concluded that something more fundamental produces wars: *the competition for power*” (*On the Origin of War*, p. 1, emphasis mine).

What do the leaders of the world’s nations conceive of as POWER? That wise commentator on international relations, Hans J. Morgenthau, claimed, “Whatever the ultimate aims of international politics, *power* is always the ultimate aim” (*Politics Among Nations*, p. 29). In terms of a pure definition of power, Morgenthau probably gave one of the most intuitive clarifications. “When we speak of power, we mean *man’s control over the minds and actions of other men*” (*ibid.*, p. 30). He observes that whatever material objectives were contained in a nation’s foreign policy (sourcing raw materials, controlling sea gates, territorial extension, etc.), they always involved *influencing the minds of others* in order to control the outcome.

As the old saying goes, it takes two to make a quarrel! It is a plain fact of human nature that within all human groups there will be an evident tendency to *dominate*. This is so from that basic unit of society, the family, to human corporate and governmental institutions, through to entire nations. The most damaging effect of this striving for dominance, at the human level, was recorded in the present century when the Nazis wanted to colonize



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FAR LEFT

Aftermath of NATO bombing in Pristina; three U.S. soldiers captured by Serbs; ethnic Albanian refugee children clamor for bread.

CENTER

A weary Kosovar refugee holds his child.

RIGHT

U.S. troops arrive in Albania; a NATO fighter flies out of Wash. D.C.; soldiers deploy outside Tirana Airport in Albania

Eastern Europe, giving them dominance of the whole of Europe and a place from which to rule the world.

The current generation of foreign policy formulators and administrators in the West, particularly in the present British and American administrations, is the product of a left-wing, socialist-engineered education system that had its genesis in the 1960s (though its true origins may be traced to the Marxist-Leninist thought engendered by the fathers of socialism in the early 1900s). Socialist philosophy has always had particular appeal to the intelligentsia. Often described as the “baby-boom generation,” the post-World War II generation, which had their minds bent by German rationalist thought, tends to predicate all analyses, judgments and conclusions on godless evolutionary theory, based on the overall assumption that there are no absolutes.

In general terms, to this generation all of the values, mores, honorable traditions—even documented history of past events—are held up to question. This approach to subjective analysis is fundamentally sourced at a basic and false assumption—that the theory of relativity applies not just in the arena of physical sciences. By extension it is assumed that it generally may be applied to human behavior—religion, moral standards, ethics and human values. Thus we have the concept of “moral relativity,” which spawned the “new morality” of the 1960s, giving birth to a new and uncontrollable communicable disease—AIDS.

The Third Way

Many of the current generation of foreign policy formulators and administrators have been termed “third wayers.” That is, politically they embrace neither capitalism solely, nor socialism solely. For political expedience, while holding on to their core values of socialism, “third wayers” have developed

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a center-left approach to politics which is having a devastatingly confusing effect on the world. The current administrations governing in Britain and America are of this “third way” flavor. Their politics have changed by expediency, in order to gain office—but their core “values” have not!

In respect of this phenomenon in America, Elliot Evans, president of the Ethics and Policy Center in Washington D.C., puts it this way: “The truly bloody battle lines in American politics today tend to be cultural rather than economic. On any number of these broadly cultural issues, ranging from extreme environmentalism to gay marriage to multiculturalism to partial-birth abortion, ideology and coalition politics once again conjoin to propel third-wayers far from the center. Advocates of these causes share a mind set, and they also share a reliance on government power to help bring about the changes in American life they demand” (*Commentary*, April 1999).

The real concern here is that it is generally such minds, which on the one hand seek to destroy the traditional (Bible-based) values of our Western democracies (particularly in Britain and the U.S.), that on the other are now grappling (with a huge lack of success) with the most dangerous of foreign policy considerations. “One cannot but

notice another striking lacuna [gap] in the thought of third-wayers: exactly how their approach is supposed to function in the realm of foreign policy. Given who most of them are, and where they come from, that too is understandable. Children of the '60s, they seem alternately suspicious of and non-plussed by the American military; in none of their voluminous literature will one find advocacy of increased military spending or for that matter of American military superiority. As confident as they are about the uses of government power at home, they are commensurately skittish about the possible use of national power abroad” (ibid.).

The result is the recent display of ineptness at the most senior levels of, especially, U.S. foreign policy. Indecision, lack of clear analysis and poor judgment have been rife in the approach of the world's most powerful nation to its relations and interaction with such countries as Haiti, Somalia, Liberia, Angola, Iraq, North Korea, China, Bosnia—and so the list grows. The consequences are an inevitable decline in military morale, a most dangerous reduction in preparedness, with the emergence of what some experts now call a *hollow army*. “As Ronald Reagan well understood, there is no middle ground between strength and weakness, between greatness and decline” (ibid.).

Power Without Will

No single country presently comes close to America in extent of economic power or military strength. Yet no other single nation shows such a *lack of will* to use their power. The burning question is, given the apparent lack of will to effectively deploy its military might to actually *win* a victory in its numerous military adventures in recent years, why bother to deploy force at all, let alone in such a vast array of foreign centers in which the average American is not interested in the slightest, nor even able to find them on a map?

George Friedman, chairman of Stratfor Systems (www.stratfor.com), said about this phenomenon: “In one sense the U.S. is overwhelmingly powerful. The potential to raise military forces and deploy them is awesome. [Yet] the extent to which we are operating *below* our potential is breathtaking. *We are in grave danger*. We are in the odd situation of having unnecessarily drawn down our forces and then simul-

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taneously and inexplicably increased the tempo of our operations.”

Comparing the relative success of the British, in their heyday of empire, with the current U.S. ineptness in foreign policy, Friedman declared, “Britain had a principle which was that Britain had no permanent friends, no permanent enemies, only permanent interests. That was a very shrewd view of the world.” It is a view that the U.S. should have noted well, before it assumed the role of world policeman.

Value Change

Throughout the period of the British Empire and the history of the United States' dramatic surge to world prominence (up to World War II), it was generally held by most Western policy formulators, administrators of government and military leaders that a supreme, Creator God was the sustainer of all things, including the laws which govern human behavior—the biblical Ten Commandments. Military generals went to war with a Bible at hand. Britain and America fought for God-fearing values against the military might of Nazi Germany and of imperialistic Japan. We saw it as an honorable and moral cause. The formulators of the American Constitution drafted that famous document which guaranteed the fundamental freedoms and inalienable rights of its people based upon moral tenets founded upon the Ten Commandments.

Times have changed. And with the changes over the past 50 years has

come the corruption of the morals of Britain and America. This moral decline has led to a dramatic decline in matters of honor (Isa. 3:1-3, 5). The corruption of moral standards, the decline in honorable behavior, has erosion of the *will* to use the supreme power which those old allies, Britain and America, once possessed for the purpose of fighting to preserve that which was perceived as good and right. Common sense is now sacrificed on the altar of personal anarchy—"you may do whatever you wish to do in private, as long as it is deemed to do no hurt to anyone else." Of course, the standards by which doing hurt is measured and judged are no longer pinned down to any fundamental, fixed values. So basically, the system allows, if you can afford the legal fees, if you vote for the party presently in power and you get the popular press on your side, you can literally get away with murder.

It is in such a climate, such a turgid moral morass, that the foreign policy formulators and the drafters of international law of today grope around trying to establish new meaning under the prevailing constancy of "wars and rumors of wars" (Matt. 24:6). It is by no accident that the decline in honor and respect for things British and American has coincided with the dramatic decline in demonstrated power and *will* by these nations to use what power they still possess.

Where There Is No Vision...

In the final analysis, what is it that is lacking from the judgments of our most senior foreign policy gurus? Given unimpeachable facts, given the most brilliant minds applied to analysis and strategic thinking, the very best that a foreign policy expert can do is assess the probable outcomes of any given international situation, based on the facts, considering past history, the predictability of human nature and the connection between cause and effect.

But the *vision* that enables a human mind to see all human interaction, be it at the family, state or international level, and predict inevitable outcomes with confidence, is plainly not given to man as a natural part of his make-up. It takes that which is *supernatural*, added to the mind of man, to gain such vision of future events. This is the phenomenon of *divine revelation*. It is open to man, but only to those whom God alone chooses to give it. It is simply

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termed, in biblical language, the Holy Spirit.

This is the power that Simon Magus sought to buy almost two millennia ago (Acts 8:18-20). It is the power which Jesus Christ simply called "the Comforter" (John 14:26). A power of which He declared, "But the Comforter, which is the Holy [Spirit], whom the Father will send in my name, *he shall teach you all things*, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you" (John 14:26). It is the Spirit of God which, upon repentance and baptism into the family of God, imparts continuing *revelation* to the human mind. *Revelation of truth*, revelation of *prophecy*, literally an understanding of the *predictions of the future* which almighty God made through the prophets of old, Jesus Christ being the chief prophet.

It is *this* power which is needed so greatly by those who would deal in foreign policy, matched with an under-

standing of the laws of God which govern human behavior. (Write for your free copy of our book *Mystery of the Ages* for a full explanation.)

Only when the minds of men are opened, by the power of God's Holy Spirit, to discern the reality of human nature, to understand the laws and covenants, statutes and principles of living which almighty God has set in place, by which to govern human behavior, will those in charge of foreign policy truly see the way to peace on earth. That day is coming when, as Jesus Christ declared, "I will give you teachers after mine own heart."

As Hans Morgenthau pointed out, the power comes from control over man's mind. Almighty God will simply have to step in and stop mankind's headlong slide toward oblivion. He created the human mind. He created the laws which govern peace. He will simply send one to this earth to whom He has committed *all* power (Matt. 28:18) to implement and enforce, with a government of perfect family love backed up by a perfect law of love (I John 5:3), the way which will lead to peace among the nations (John 14:27). He will reason with man (Isa. 1:18) and show him the source of all wars (James 4:1). He will offer to man the power to quell all wars, the power to control his own mind so that man will learn to desire to *GIVE* to his neighbor, instead of *lusting to get* from him! *That's real power!* The power to control one's own mind and bring every thought into subjection to the perfect will of the loving Father of all mankind (II Cor. 10:5)! He will simply enforce God's perfect foreign policy for all the nations (Isa. 2:4).

This is the hope, the great HOPE of all mankind. The current events in the Middle East and the Balkans are simply a sign of its imminence. It's time to look beyond the wars and rumors of wars, beyond the sad straggling masses of displaced refugees, beyond the petty, prancing dictators of this world, into the future. It's time to really grasp the vision of a future which is bright with hope and the ultimate reconciliation of war-prone man to his Maker, a God of perfect peace. It's time to anticipate and prepare for a true and lasting peace which will engirdle the globe for a thousand years under the Prince of peace, King of kings and Lord of lords. That's the hope which your Maker offers you if you will only turn from your own ways and begin to OBEY Him. ♦



GERMANY

THE UNSEEN DANGER IN KOSOVO

A RISING POWER: Germany is responsible for starting the civil war in Yugoslavia. It has been the strongest supporter of Albania against the Serbs in Kosovo. The Serbs warn about a rising German power in Yugoslavia. Let's look behind the scenes at the real danger that most people in America and Britain refuse to face.

BY GERALD FLURRY

THE SERBS FOUGHT ON OUR SIDE IN TWO world wars, and Germany fought against us in both of those wars. How very strange to see that alliance reversed today.

Here is the simple truth that we all should be able to see. Serbia is no threat to Europe or America. But Germany has routinely been a dangerous threat to Europe and the world! And whether we realize it or not, they still are today—even more so than in the past.

The only real winner in our war with Yugoslavia will be Germany. America and Britain will be the great losers. They will grow weaker as Germany grows in power.

It has been said often that “the first casualty of war is the truth.” That probably has never been more true than in this war.

Germany Backs Albania

Yugoslavia has already lost the states of Croatia and Slovenia because of Germany. A December 8, 1991, article in the *New York Times* titled, “U.S. is at Odds With German Backing for Slovenia and Croatia,” explains Germany’s historical ties with the Yugoslav “breakaway” republics (emphasis mine throughout): “Germany has long historical ties, both glorious and shameful, to Slovenia and Croatia. Slovenia was part of the Austro-Hungarian empire, and many people there still identify with the German-speaking world. There has also been German influence in Croatia, and during World War II, Croatia was ruled by a pro-Nazi regime.

“This aspect of Croatian history, and the fact that the TUDJMAN GOVERNMENT HAS REFUSED TO DISASSOCIATE ITSELF FROM THE CROATIAN FASCISTS who ruled the republic in the 1940s, has made European leaders unwilling to move quickly toward recognition.”

That was said in 1991. As it turns out, because of German pressure, those leaders *did* move quickly! They should not have even recognized Slovenia and Croatia, considering Germany’s past—a nation which caused the deaths of 60-70 million people by starting both World Wars. That is in the living memory of many people on this earth.

Remember this important principle: If you **START** building on a faulty foundation, the structure cannot stand the storms and tests of time. If we build on a false premise, it will end badly.

Germany recognized these break-away republics and then supported them with troops and armaments. America (and almost the whole world) strongly opposed Germany’s plans in the beginning. But the U.S. weakened and then even decided to *support* Germany in their war to control the Balkans!

Then the civil war spread into Bosnia-Herzegovina. The Serbs lost control of a large portion of this republic also.

Now the Serbs see Germany supporting a guerrilla army of Albanians. The guerrillas call themselves the Kosovo Liberation Army (K.L.A.). Kosovo was comprised of 90 percent Albanians. These Kosovar Albanians, along with Albania and Germany, support the guerrilla army against the Serbs.

“The German Ambassador made ev-

ident the very good relations between the two countries [Albania and Germany] and voiced the will of his government to consolidate and promote further these relations. He highlighted the efficiency of various projects of the German assistance in Albania and stressed that they will be expanded in the coming months.

“Albanian Foreign Minister Milo stressed that GERMANY IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT COUNTRIES IN THE FOREIGN POLICY OF ALBANIA” (Albanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs press release, Aug. 6, 1997).

Germany is probably the strongest foreign industrial power in Albania. So their ties are unusually close.

There is also direct support coming from Germany. There are 600,000 Albanians in Germany. Many of the K.L.A. guerrillas left their families behind in Germany to come and fight against the Serbs in a civil war which the German-supported Albanians started.

Germany is also giving financial support to the K.L.A. According to BBC News, “In addition to money sent home to relatives [in Germany], Kosovo’s INTERNATIONALLY UNRECOGNIZED government-in-exile has been collecting a tax of 3 percent of earnings. ITS PRIME MINISTER, BUJAR BUKOSHI, WHO IS BASED IN GERMANY, has repeatedly denied that the money is used to buy arms—he says that it’s spent on running the health and education services” (Aug. 5, 1998). But does anybody believe that?

Kosovo’s “internationally UNRECOGNIZED government-in-exile” has a PRIME MINISTER, WHO IS BASED IN GERMANY, and operates freely with the blessings (and direction?) of the German government!

The K.L.A. guerrilla force didn’t just happen. They were raised up, and are now directly supported by Germany—the powerhouse of Europe.

Germany has also been encouraging NATO attacks with the strongest language. The German defense minister, Rudolf Scharping, said in a March television interview on ZDF that “genocide is starting.” Very strong vocabulary. He caused many to think about genocide. Now it is common to hear that word used regarding Kosovo.

The Australian newspaper reported on April 1, 1999: “With thousands of refugees continuing to stream out of the war-torn province, German

AP/WIDEWORLD



ONLY PROPAGANDA? Serbian graffiti in Macedonia highlights the resurrection of Germany’s past—and its leading role in NATO.

Defense Minister Rudolf Scharping claimed in Bonn last night that evidence had emerged of concentration camps being set up by Serb forces.”

People watch television and see the streams of Albanian refugees. Then they totally blame the Serbs. Most know very little about Kosovo, yet talk of “genocide”—the deliberate and systematic destruction of a race. Now there is talk about “concentration camps.” “Genocide” and “concentration camps”—words introduced by the German defense minister.

It is true that after a powerful NATO air attack, the Serbs responded violently to save what remains of their country. But there was little mentioned about refugees *before* the NATO attacks. In fact, the initial purpose of the war

was to protect the Kosovar people in their homeland. That purpose has failed. IS NATO blameless?

Germany Pressures NATO

Here is a most alarming report from *Stratfor Intelligence Systems*: “Serbian Radio in Belgrade on September 22 broadcast a scathing commentary, charging Germany with ‘warmongering’ and warning Europe against the alleged REBIRTH OF GERMAN FASCISM” (Sept. 25, 1998).

Call the Serbs what you like, but that is exactly what is happening in Yugoslavia!

The report continues: “More pointedly, Serbian Radio cited Germany’s record in the two World Wars, and charged that Germany harbors ‘OPEN

AMBITION TO BECOME THE MASTER OF EUROPE.’ Questioning Europe’s silence on Germany’s behavior, commentator Milika Sundic said, ‘It is difficult to comprehend and accept that Europe has become Germany’s slave.’ Sundic went on to claim that ‘GERMANY CONTRIBUTED THE MOST TO THE BREAKDOWN OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA,’ and that ‘SERBIA HAS KNOWN FOR SOME TIME THAT GERMANY WAS BEHIND THE [K.L.A.] TERRORISM IN [KOSOVO].’”

Who can present any evidence to refute these powerful words?

“The fact is that Germany is one of the leading voices pushing for NATO intervention in Kosovo. In a meeting of NATO defense ministers in Portugal on September 24, which resulted in a virtual ultimatum to Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to cease the fighting in Kosovo or face NATO air strikes, ONLY GERMANY’S RÜHE CALLED FOR A FIRM DEADLINE TO BE SET FOR INTERVENTION. Rühle said, ‘We must move quickly to an ultimatum in the next ten days or less.... We must do something for the people on the ground and not just issue one more resolution after another.’... [Is German’s penchant for blitzkrieg warfare beginning to surface?]

“Rühle has argued against awaiting a [United Nations] mandate on the use of force against Serbia. Said Rühle, ‘Pictures of people [in Kosovo] camping out in the open...are in themselves an ultimatum.’ Moreover, and more to the point, Rühle said, ‘We must avoid to be dependent on a Russian veto.’ He claimed that the current relationship between NATO and Russia presumes that ‘Russia has no veto whenever NATO needs to act.’... ”

“GERMANY IS LEADING THE CAMPAIGN FOR A QUICK AND, IF NECESSARY, MILITARY SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT IN KOSOVO.... ”

“Germany is also extremely concerned about U.S. vacillation in its military commitment to European stability, particularly to the use of NATO as a policing tool. That U.S. vacillation has led to the utter disdain in which Serbia holds NATO. GERMANY IS LOOKING AHEAD TO THE DAY WHEN IT MUST TAKE A LEADING ROLE IN THE DEFENSE OF WESTERN EUROPE, and it does not want to take on that role with a dull knife.”

The Serbs see clearly that Germany is behind the breakdown of the former Yugoslavia. Let’s not forget that all of Europe, the U.S. and the UN were against Germany, when they recog-

“IF THERE HAS BEEN A SINGLE obsession in Serbian policy this century, it has been to prevent what Belgrade sees as German expansionism in the Balkans.”

New York Times



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BACK IN ACTION A post-war first: German Tornado fighter jets involved in NATO air strikes. Germans have aided in stripping three other states from Yugoslavia under Milosevic’s rule; this time he’s determined to fight.



nized and strongly supported the breakaway of Slovenia and Croatia. But Germany prevailed. Croatia’s breakaway led to civil war, which continues to this day. America’s secretary of state at the time said that “Germany had a certain responsibility” for the Yugoslav war. But he was quickly silenced! And no leader in our government has made such a statement since.

Germany’s Master Plan

Germany has a MASTER PLAN. We have warned about that master plan since immediately after World War II. (Write for our free booklet, *The History and Prophecy of Germany*.)

Margaret Thatcher, former British prime minister, said this about the European Union in October 1995: “You have not anchored Germany to Europe; you have anchored Europe to a newly dominant, unified Germany. In the end, my friends, you’ll find it will not work.”

Bernard Connolly, in *The Rotten Heart of Europe*, said the European Union was only a “cloak for German ambitions.”

At least we ought to consider such authoritative voices.

First of all, the Germans want to control Europe. That means they must gain control of the Balkans. Their fiercest enemy there is the Serbs.

Now, if 75 percent of NATO’s military power is supplied by the U.S., what does that mean? Germany is actually pressuring and directing NATO—especially the U.S.—to carry out their own ambitions within Europe!

All of Europe, the UN and America caved in to Germany, in spite of their responsibility for the deaths of 60-70 million people in World Wars I and II!

NOW GERMANY HAS ALL OF NATO FIGHTING FOR *their cause*, and it seems nobody wants to even discuss how it all began.

Is it so hard to understand why the Serbs are so enraged? Their country is being systematically destroyed—primarily by Germany. What country would not fight against such an outrage? Does any nation really see the Serbs’ point of view?

The German master plan is very similar to what they have done in the past. The only real difference is, it is much more subtle—so far.

If the Western world would only remember the recent past of Germany, it would frighten the life out of us.

The March 26 *New York Times* stated, "For the first time since the end of World War II, German fighter jets have gone to war, taking part in the attack on Yugoslavia as part of a NATO force and marking this country's definitive emancipation from post-war pacifism...."

"Still, the German participation in air raids on Yugoslavia is potentially explosive, for it will confirm every dark Serbian suspicion about the West. IF THERE HAS BEEN A SINGLE OBSESSION IN SERBIAN POLICY THIS CENTURY, IT HAS BEEN TO PREVENT WHAT BELGRADE SEES AS GERMAN EXPANSIONISM IN THE BALKANS. [This is not an obsession without justification.]

"We are not ready to make a distinction between the bombs of Adolf Hitler from 1941 and the bombs of NATO,' Vuk Draskovic, the Yugoslavian Deputy Prime Minister, said.

"Strong German support for Croatian independence from Yugoslavia, and Croatia's adoption of the hymn 'DANKE DEUTSCHLAND' when that independence came in 1991, only reinforced Serbian misgivings." Croatia clearly knows that their revolt succeeded because of Germany.

Are the Serbs the only ones who see the dangerous rise of a militant Germany once again? Germany poses a danger thousands of times greater than the Serbs could ever pose to Europe and the world.

The Serbs have good reason to fear, since they were victims of the German and Croatian Nazis of World War II. One *Trumpet* reader from Indiana recently wrote to us, "After reading your article 'Croatia Reveals the Rising Beast' in the January 1999 issue...I would like to drop you a few lines in order to express my deepest gratitude to you for what you have done for me as a human being by publishing that article so that millions of other human beings in the world can understand the Serbs.

"As an American of Serbian descent and a survivor of the horrible Croatian Holocaust during World War II, I would like to tell you, my dear friend, how much I appreciate your personal involvement and effort, and how immensely I am grateful to you for your courage, humanity and patriotism for publishing that article in your magazine. I can assure you that from now on, you'll be my dear friend as long as we live."

THE SHOCKING DOCUMENT

Proof that during WWII, Nazi leaders and top German industrialists planned to rebuild the Nazi empire

Enclosure No. 1 to despatch No. 19,489 of Nov. 27, 1944, from the Embassy at London, England.

S E C R E T
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

7 November 1944

INTELLIGENCE REPORT NO. EW-Pa 128

SUBJECT: Plans of German industrialists to engage in underground activity after Germany's defeat; flow of capital to neutral countries.

SOURCE: Agent of French Deuxieme Bureau, recommended by Commandant Zindel. This agent is regarded as reliable and has worked for the French on German problems since 1916. He was in close contact with the Germans, particularly industrialists, during the occupation of France and he visited Germany as late as August, 1944.

1. A meeting of the principal German industrialists with interests in France was held on August 10, 1944, in the Hotel Rotes Haus in Strasbourg, France, and attended by the informant indicated above as the source. Among those present were the following:

Dr. Scheid, who presided, holding the rank of S.S. Obergruppenfuhrer and Director of the Heche (Hermandorff & Schonburg) Company

Dr. Kaspar, representing Krupp

Dr. Tolle, representing Rochling

Dr. Sinderen, representing Messerschmitt

Drs. Kopp, Vier and Beerwanger, representing Rheinmetall

Captain Haberkorn and Dr. Ruhe, representing Bussing

Drs. Ellenmayer and Kardos, representing Volkswagenwerk

Engineers Drose, Yanchew and Koppshem, representing various factories in Posen, Poland (Drose, Yanchew and Co.,

Brown-Boveri, Herkuleswerke, Buschwerke, and Stadtwerke)

Captain Dornbuach, head of the Industrial Inspection Section at Posen

Dr. Meyer, an official of the German Naval Ministry in Paris

Dr. Strossner, of the Ministry of Armament, Paris.

2. Dr. Scheid stated that all industrial material in France was to be evacuated to Germany immediately. The battle of France was lost for Germany and now the defense of the Siegfried Line was the main problem. From now on also German industry must realize that the war cannot be won and that it must take steps in preparation for a post-war commercial campaign. Each industrialist must make contacts and alliances with foreign firms, but this must be done individually and without attracting any suspicion. Moreover, the ground would have to be laid on the financial level for borrowing considerable sums from foreign countries after the war. As examples of the kind of penetration which had been most useful in the past, Dr. Scheid cited the fact that patents for stainless steel belonged to the Chemical Foundation, Inc., New York, and the Krupp company of Germany jointly and that the U.S. Steel Corporation, Carnegie Illinois, American Steel and Wire, and national Tube, etc. were thereby under an obligation to work with the Krupp concern. He also cited the Zeiss Company, the Leisa Company and the Hamburg-American Line as firms which had been especially effective in protecting German interests abroad and gave their New

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York addresses to the industrialists at this meeting.

3. Following this meeting a smaller one was held presided over by Dr. Bosse of the German Armaments Ministry and attended only by representatives of Hecho, Krupp and Rochling. At this second meeting it was stated that the Nazi Party had informed the industrialists that the war was practically lost but that it would continue until a guarantee of the unity of Germany could be obtained. German industrialists must, it was said, through their exports increase the strength of Germany. They must also prepare themselves to finance the Nazi Party which would be forced to go underground as Maquis (in Gebirgaverteidigungsgastellen gehen). From now on the government would allocate large sums to industrialists so that each could establish a secure post-war foundation in foreign countries. Existing financial reserves in foreign countries must be placed at the disposal of the Party so that a strong German Empire can be created after the defeat. It is also immediately required that the large factories in Germany create small technical offices or research bureaus which would be absolutely independent and have no known connection with the factory. These bureaus will receive plans and drawings of new weapons as well as documents which they need to continue their research and which must not be allowed to fall into the hands of the enemy. These offices are to be established in large cities where they can be most successfully hidden as well as in little villages near sources of hydro-electric power where they can pretend to be studying the development of water resources. The existence of these is to be known only by very few people in each industry and by chiefs of the Nazi Party. Each office will have a liaison agent with the Party. As soon as the Party becomes strong enough to re-establish its control over Germany the industrialists will be paid for their effort and cooperation by concessions and orders.

4. These meetings seem to indicate that the prohibition against the export of capital which was rigorously enforced until now has been completely withdrawn and replaced by a new Nazi policy whereby industrialists with government assistance will export as much of their capital as possible. Previously exports of capital by German industrialists to neutral countries had to be accomplished rather surreptitiously and by means of special influence. Now the Nazi party stands behind the industrialists and urges them to save themselves by getting funds outside Germany and at the same time to advance the Party's plans for its post-war operation. This freedom given to the industrialists further coments their relations with the Party by giving them a measure of protection.

5. The German industrialists are not only buying agricultural property in Germany but are placing their funds abroad, particularly in neutral countries. Two main banks through which this export of capital operates are the Basler Handelsbank and the Schweizerische Kreditanstalt of Zurich. Also there are a number of agencies in Switzerland which for a five per cent commission buy property in Switzerland, using a Swiss cloak.

6. After the defeat of Germany and the Nazi Party recognizes that certain of its best known leaders will be condemned as war criminals. However, in cooperation with the industrialists it is arranging to place its less conspicuous but most important members in positions with various German factories as technical experts or members of its research and designing offices.

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A Warning Unheeded

On several occasions, we have alerted our readers to a shocking World War II intelligence document. The U.S. declassified it in 1996 and it received only sparse news coverage. Yet, even more disturbing than the deep stupor the press is in is the fact that the U.S. government did not make it public until 1996!

The document, detailing an August 1944 meeting between top German industrialists, reveals a secret post-war plan to restore the Nazis to power. Several of Germany's elite industries were represented, including Messerschmitt and Volkswagenwerk. These companies, the document asserts, must "prepare themselves to finance the Nazi party which would be forced to go underground."

By 1944, they knew they would lose World War II and were already planning for the next round! "Existing financial reserves in foreign countries," it says, "must be placed at the disposal of the Party so that a strong GERMAN EMPIRE can be created after the defeat."

Those at the 1944 meeting understood that the most prominent members of the Nazi party would be condemned as war criminals. "However," the document maintains, "in cooperation with the industrialists it is arranging to place its less conspicuous but most important members in positions with various German factories as technical experts or members of its research and designing offices."

How alarming! Why was so little written about this in 1996? Why did it take so long for it to be declassified? America and Britain have fallen asleep—our peoples do not understand what is happening behind the scenes!

That is why we feel compelled to return to some of these issues again and again. No one else will! (Since we first referred to this document, several have asked how they might obtain a copy. It is printed in full on pages 9-10.)

Historians have long debated whether or not a secret Nazi plan was made for a post-war, international network. Now that it has been confirmed, as Elan Steinberg of the World Jewish Congress said, "the central question is whether it has been carried out."

Brian Connell, in his 1957 book *A Watcher on the Rhine*, offered abundant proof of that plan being carried out. He drew attention to a watershed

event in 1947, just two years after the war, when Allied authorities foolishly handed over denazification responsibilities to, of all people, the Germans! After 1947, denazification in Germany, according to Connell, was a farce!

Consider Bavaria as just one example. "The Bavarian administration," Connell wrote, "is largely in the hands of those who controlled it under Hitler.... Almost all of the 1000 teachers who were removed for political reasons have been reappointed, representing roughly 60 percent of the teaching staff employed by the Ministry of Education. Sixty percent of the 15,000 employees in the finance ministry are former Nazis, and 81 percent of the 924 judges, magistrates and prosecutors in the Ministry of Justice."

There was also an attempt made to liberalize a narrow method of teaching in education. Connell states, "New teachers were appointed, and a degree of independence assured to individual instructions, which should have made education for democracy a feasible proposition. But many of the former Nazi teachers have found their way back."

Later, Connell states, "In western Germany, the newly prosperous Ruhr industrialists, the still impenitent core of former Nazis...represents a chal-

lenge to the democratic order."

Nazism is far from being dead in Germany! Today, right-wing extremism continues to increase dramatically—even in German elections! Should that surprise us?

Trumpet readers are also well aware of another report we have drawn attention to. Like the declassified document, this report has never received much press coverage.

The report was given by Herbert W. Armstrong from the United Nations on May 9, 1945, just nine months after the secret meeting between German industrialists. In it, Mr. Armstrong said "The war is over, in Europe—or is it?"

What does he mean by that? Did he know something no one else did? He sure did!

"We don't understand German *thoroughness*," he said. "From the very start of World War II, they have considered the possibility of losing this second round, as they did the first—and they have carefully, methodically *planned*, in such eventuality, the *third* round—World War III! Hitler has lost. This round of war, in Europe, is over. And the Nazis have now gone UNDERGROUND."

Many people scoffed at Herbert W. Armstrong's warning message in 1945. Yet look at how closely his report mir-

rors what was said in the secret document that was not made public until 50 years later! (Read excerpts of that 1945 radio address of Mr. Armstrong's below.)

Only God's messenger COULD GIVE SUCH A PROPHETIC MESSAGE OVER 50 YEARS AGO!

Think about what he said.

Think about what was determined at that secret meeting among top German industrialists.

Think about what Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt said right after the war, something we have also quoted often. ("It is our inflexible purpose to destroy German militarism and Nazism.")

Yes, think about those things and then consider what is happening now. Our leaders today keep acting like Germany has repented. But the Germans continue in their militant spirit, in spite of the unparalleled crimes they have committed!

We have *forgotten* our strong commitment to control Germany after World War II, and we are going to pay



CRYING OUT Herbert Armstrong delivers a radio broadcast

AHEAD OF HIS TIME

Excerpts from a radio broadcast given May 9, 1945:
Herbert Armstrong warned of Germany's post-war rise.

THE WAR IS OVER, IN EUROPE—OR IS IT? WE NEED TO WAKE UP AND REALIZE THAT RIGHT NOW IS THE MOST DANGEROUS MOMENT IN UNITED STATES NATIONAL HISTORY, INSTEAD OF ASSUMING WE NOW HAVE PEACE!

Men plan, here, to preserve the PEACE of the world. What most do not know is that the Germans have *their* plans for winning the BATTLE of the peace. Yes, I said BATTLE of the peace. That's a kind of battle we Americans don't know. We know only *one kind* of war. We have never lost a war—that is, a military war; but we have never WON a conference, where leaders of other nations outfox us in the BATTLE for the peace.

We don't understand German *thoroughness*. From the very start of World War II, they have considered the possibility of losing this second round, as they did the first—and they have carefully, methodically *planned*, in such eventuality, the *third* round—World War III! Hitler has lost. This round of war, in Europe, is over. And the Nazis have now gone UNDERGROUND. In France and Norway they learned how effectively an organized UNDERGROUND can hamper occupation and control of a country. Paris was liberated by the French UNDERGROUND—and Allied armies. Now a Nazi underground is me-

thodically planned. They plan to COME BACK and to win on the third try.

The Bible foretells that third round—and it spells DOOM for us, as God's punishment, because we, as a nation, have forsaken Him and His ways! The third round is termed, in prophecy, an invasion by 'BABYLON'—a resurrected Roman Empire—a European Union. I have been proclaiming that since 1927....

Even at this conference, classes and races are demanding their 'rights.' This conference, and the United Nations Organization it is forming, must solve three problems to succeed. First, Big Three unity; SECOND, THE SERIOUS PROBLEM OF WHAT TO DO WITH GERMANY TO PREVENT WORLD WAR III; and third, solve the world's injustices against smaller nations, and the growth and tactics of Communism toward world domination. Can it succeed?

an indescribable price for that weak and despicable failure in leadership!

YOU DON'T PREVENT GERMANY FROM STARTING WORLD WAR III BY HELPING THEM BUILD AN EMPIRE IN YUGOSLAVIA AND EUROPE!

The spirit of that intelligence document is being implemented in Yugoslavia today (and also in other parts of the world). Germany's action is not that of a people deeply repentant for the deaths of 60-70 million people in two world wars!

Remember, the Bible says our end-time "lovers" are the ones who inflict great suffering upon us—not our obvious enemies. However, we like to think of ourselves as righteous while we reject God's warnings!

What Herbert Armstrong prophesied for over 50 years has now come to pass in frightening detail! The Philadelphia Church of God continues to proclaim that same message.

This is all prophesied in YOUR Bible. But you don't even need the Bible to see that terror is about to strike our peoples!

The American and British peoples are without excuse. And so are YOU. Only God can save YOU from a disastrous future. Now is the time for every wise person to heed this message. There is so little time left to respond.

God's Bigger Master Plan

In Isaiah 10:5, God says, "O Assyrian [the modern Germans], the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation."

God says, "I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets" (v. 6). God says the Germans are a tool in His hands. They tread humans down "like the mire of the streets." Germany's rise to power is God's doing, and we urgently need to understand why! The living God has a master plan too!

Isaiah's prophecy was recorded in a book for this end time (Isa. 30:8). So God's people must know who Assyria is in prophecy! Otherwise God looks like a fool.

God will use the Germans in His master plan. They are to be sent against "an hypocritical nation"—people who work hard to appear righteous, but are very evil.

This is God's master plan for Amer-

YOU DON'T PREVENT GERMANY from starting World War III by helping them build an empire in Yugoslavia and Europe! Germany's actions are not those of a people deeply repentant for the deaths of 60-70 million people in two world wars!

ica and Britain if they don't wake up and repent!

"Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so...." Even the soon-coming leader of the German-led beast power will not think he would ever destroy or cut off nations. But that's precisely what the remainder of the verse says: "...but it is in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few" (Isa. 10:7).

Who in these modern times has cut off many nations in warfare? At least we should remember what Germany did in World Wars I and II! But that is the way Germany has acted throughout history. They are a great and talented people, but too often overwhelmed by an evil system.

Many nations have been destroyed by the power of the Germans. In *Anvil of Civilization*, author Leonard Cottrell says, "In all the annals of human conquest, it is difficult to find any people more dedicated to bloodshed and slaughter than the Assyrians. Their ferocity and cruelty have few parallels SAVE IN MODERN TIMES"—meaning Germany.

The greatest war machine in all of history was Assyria. They were great conquerors. They had superior weapons and superior organization. And they are back on the world scene today, becoming very militant—but thankfully for the last time!

The Assyrians and the Germans are obviously the same people. Their militant, cruel ways continue until Christ returns.

God's Protection

Zephaniah 2:1-3 says, "Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired [God's faithful people]; Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the

fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you. SEEK YE THE LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be HID IN THE DAY OF THE LORD'S ANGER." God is saying that if His people are loyal to what they have learned from Him, they can be HIDDEN from the horrors that are soon to come upon this earth!

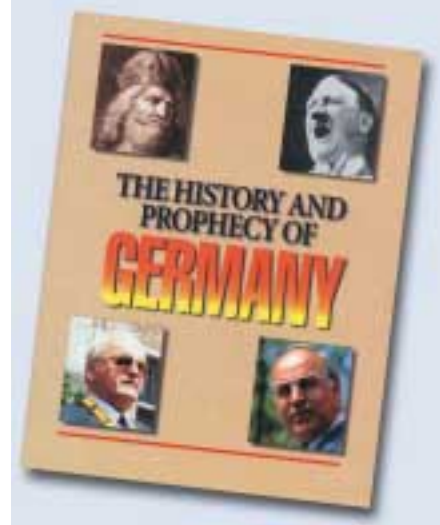
What is the key to being protected? We must seek God before the Tribulation strikes. That is the formula for escape. SEEK GOD NOW! "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him RETURN UNTO THE LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon" (Isa. 55:6-7).

What is happening in Kosovo is a major sign of how close Germany is to achieving its worldwide ambition.

The history of Germany reveals where the events in Europe today are leading. More importantly, God's prophecies give us an advance preview of what is about to occur in Europe—and how it will affect the whole world. What can you do before it is too late? Seek God while He may be found. ♦

For further study...

Our booklet, *The History and Prophecy of Germany*, further explains Germany's post-war rise to power. You may request a free copy in writing (see the addresses on this magazine's table of contents), or on our website, www.pcog.org.



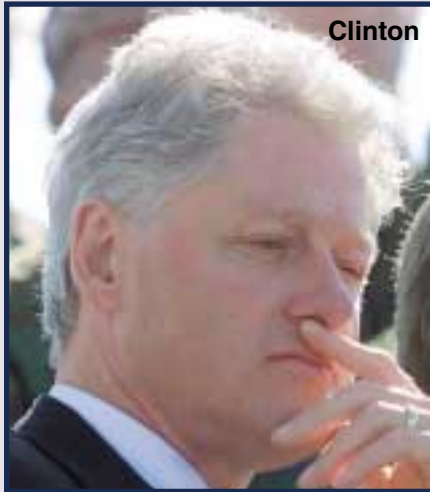
VIEWPOINT

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A Matter of Honor

It drives the Serbs. It eludes the U.S.

TODAY AMERICA IS AT WAR. IT IS AT war on two fronts: the Middle East and Middle Europe—in Iraq and Yugoslavia. Yet America is failing on both fronts. Instead of fearing the greatness of U.S. firepower, Saddam Hussein and Slobodan Milosevic taunt an America which has not demonstrated a will to commit to victory in either theater. Instead of the world honoring U.S. involvement in these skirmishes, international disdain of the U.S. is increased. WHY?



Clinton

Greek historian Thucydides isolated three prime causes for war: fear, honor and interest. Historian Donald Kagan notes, "That fear and interest move states to war will not surprise the modern reader, but that concern for *honor* should do so may seem strange" (*On the Origins of War*, p. 8). Yet that is the very motive which currently unites Serbia in its gritty resistance to NATO bombardment in Yugoslavia—*honor!* At stake is the national honor of the Serbian people who withstood the Ottoman yoke for 500 years, resisted the Nazis for five years and Russian incursion for over 30 years under Yugoslav leader Marshall Tito and now vow to fight to the death rather than have their soil invaded by NATO forces. And it is the very characteristic of

honor which is lacking in the U.S. and British-led NATO initiative in the Balkans.

The extreme naïveté and arrogance of American and British foreign policy gurus is evidenced by their failure to even begin to grasp and adjust to this fundamental of Serbian historical character, rooted in multiple "glorious defeats" in battle, the greatest of which was the Serbian defeat at the hands of the Ottoman Empire at Kosovo in 1389. Kosovo is simply *sacred soil* to the Serbs. Of the stoicism and bitter, endemic resistance of the Serbs, military historian John Keegan observes, "War is central to the Serb national myth—and war of a certain sort." Calling to mind the fact that the Yugoslav capital, Belgrade, is dominated by the Serbian military museum, built within an ancient Ottoman Turk Fort, Keegan declares, "The museum is not a hall of victories but of almost endlessly repeated defeats, out of which the Serbs plucked, inch by inch, some shreds of independence" (*Newsweek*, April 12, 1999).

It seems impossible, particularly for NATO's dominant partner, America, to comprehend that most nations on this earth don't think like Americans. Yet, the U.S. Administration persists in the folly of a foreign policy that is rooted in the false assumption that other nationalities can be persuaded to, either by the U.S. example of "democracy" or by force. It is this naïve approach to foreign policy that has led the U.S. into the blind abyss in the Balkans.

What could possibly have influenced the U.S. Administration to have contemplated involvement in the Balkan powderkeg? Analyst George Friedman's reply is that the U.S. Administration did so based on "three assumptions: first, there are no major world conflicts; second, everybody will always support any American intervention anywhere; third, therefore, no one will attempt to resist an American

intervention.

"But, we have serious enemies.... There are many people who oppose our interventions, and neither Saddam Hussein or Milosevic are particularly impressed by the threat of an air campaign. [The U.S. Administration] had no Plan B. And now they're improvising one while their allies, the Italians and the Germans in particular, are trying to find the exit."

This all sounds like a recipe for American disaster, and many disasters have befallen nations who have enmeshed themselves in the Balkans.

The sad fact is that while NATO leaders and the U.S. Administration in particular espouse their belief that, in terms of the Balkan crisis, theirs is an involvement justified by their possessing the moral high ground in the conflict, it is their *lack* of true honor and real moral fiber which is causing their demise. Unless those who hold public



Milosevic

office—unless those who formulate and promulgate government policy, in particular *foreign policy*, reflect upright, moral character in their dealings—unless their daily interactions with other human beings are truly *honorable*, no amount of their crusading for a just cause will garner the full support of their own nation or their fellow nations in this volatile global village within which we all live.

Dr. Friedman made the point, "I strongly suspect that if we either pose our conflicts as a *moral crusade* or have a leader who can be a *moral exemplar* whom we could follow...we would carry out the mission. But *if we have leaders that no one in their right mind can trust, how can we then follow them?*" ♦

FRIENDS?
Clinton listens to Zhu



all, *believing*. As Zhu stated, "It is important that you see the strategic nature of our relationship. We are not your enemy. We are your trustworthy friend."

Business leaders were obviously impressed. Many of them scrambled to pressure the White

House into quickly accepting the proposed concessions and finalizing a deal. This didn't happen by the end of Zhu's trip, but he still left with a smile, billions of dollars worth of potential deals and the promise of strong American support for Chinese entry into the World Trade Organization.

Zhu hardly left his comfort zone. He silenced allegations of espionage by saying that Chinese President Jiang Zemin and military leaders "said they knew nothing about this." He defended China's refusal to rule out the use of military force against Taiwan with obscure comparisons with Abraham Lincoln, describing how Lincoln won the American Civil War because he "resorted to the use of force and fought a war... maintaining the unity of the United States."

The United States has proven that it can play well the role of accommodating host, but one wonders at the ease with which it has compromised its own principles and has shown itself capable of being lulled by the sweet tune of cash flow. As the *New York Times* reported April 15, 1999, "Where others see United States-China relations revolving around issues like human rights, strategic cooperation and political reform, Zhu sees the two countries getting along *so long as trade between them flourishes*." It seems U.S. leaders have not yet thought to ask: What happens after that?

◆ CHINA

Zhu plays U.S. fiddle

The U.S. seems to be having a lot of trouble these days distinguishing between its friends and enemies.

Wasn't it just weeks ago that we were deluged with front-page stories of alleged Chinese nuclear espionage at Los Alamos? Isn't the U.S. at loggerheads with China over its uneasy relations with Taiwan? Didn't we recently hear allegations about Chinese involvement in an alleged campaign-funding scandal? Are we still concerned about human rights abuses? And what about, most recently, China's strong condemnation of U.S.-led NATO air strikes against Yugoslavia? Chinese media portray U.S. President Clinton as a "Hitler-like figure leading a ruthless NATO," and praise Milosevic as a "people's hero." Are these our *friends*?

You would think so, based on the "success" of Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji's recent U.S. visit. Zhu, reportedly apprehensive about coming to the U.S. during a time of heightened Sino-U.S. tensions, needed not worry. Americans found him witty and charming; they were impressed by his willingness to make "surprising" trade concessions, touched by his affection for the Denver Broncos, and, perhaps above

◆ MIDDLE EAST

A dangerous precedent

There may be mixed support among NATO nations for its action in Yugoslavia, but consider the dilemma it poses for Middle Eastern Muslims. Typically opposed to Western military action, Iran, the Palestinians and other Muslims have at least two reasons to think twice over this one.

The first is that the ethnic Albanians in Kosovo are predominantly Muslim. Iran has always condemned Serbia's oppression of the Muslim Kosovars—even more vehemently than NATO. Iranian-backed terrorist organizations have strongly supported the rebel Kosovo Liberation Army's war on the Serbs. (Indeed, NATO throwing its weight behind the K.L.A. lends further credence to the observation of some analysts that the U.S., since the Second World War, has had pro-Muslim policies.)

The second reason the Islamic world finds itself siding with NATO is more complex. It bears heavily on the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, and what the map of the Middle East will look like in the months and years to come.

Consider this statement



RAHMAN
"Yugoslavia must serve as a lesson"

from PA Cabinet Secretary Ahmed Abdul Rahman: "We must make it clear that what is happening in Yugoslavia

must serve as a lesson to Israel to withdraw from its current policies before something similar happens to it as what is now taking place in Yugoslavia."

The way Rahman and many other Muslims see it, Serbia, a sovereign nation attacking a non-sovereign minority within its borders, has done nothing worse than what Israel has done to the Palestinians. If NATO sees fit to intervene in the one situation, it ought to intervene in the other.

Even Ariel Sharon, Israel's prickly Foreign Minister, admitted that should Israel's Arab minority call for autonomy in the future, the West might consider Yugoslavia a precedent to intervene in the Middle East.

One could argue that the U.S. could never be persuaded to take such strong action against Israel, a long-time ally. That is probably a correct assessment.

But what about Europe?

PA leader Yasser Arafat has lobbied for European support for some time—with good success. One of the latest episodes came March 11 when, much to Arafat's glee, the EU stated that they do not recognize the Jewish state's sovereignty over Jerusalem. Israeli leadership bristled, convinced that Europe was trying to lay the groundwork for Jerusalem to be the capital of a new



ARAFAT
Seeking EU support

Palestinian state.

The fact is that Europe is not expressly pro-Muslim, but that present steps toward

their ultimate aims happen to bring them in conflict with traditional Muslim enemies. Your Bible prophesies that Yugoslavia is indeed a precursor to what will happen in the Middle East, but not in the way Palestinians think.

As this issue points out (p. 6), it is Europe—specifically, Germany—that is leading the “peace seeking” NATO charge against the Serbs. And it will be a German-led Europe, again, ultimately volunteering itself to arbitrate a solution to the Israeli conflict. But an independent Palestine with Jerusalem as its capital will certainly not be part of its plan.

“And the king of the north [a German-led Europe] shall come against him [the Middle Eastern Islamic power] like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. He shall enter also into the glorious land [Jerusalem], and many countries shall be overthrown” (Dan. 11:40-41).

That is when the lesson from the present Yugoslav crisis will come: when that European combine finally reveals its true power-hungry, war-mongering nature. Seizing control of Jerusalem for itself will be merely the first of many bloody conquests.

◆ GERMANY

The Reich returns

This spring has been a monumental time for Germany. Not only has the Luftwaffe gone to war for the first time since World War II, but the official opening of the Reichstag in Berlin has brought a visionary parliament together in a building



WE ARE OPEN
The renovated Reichstag

66 years after a fire there ushered in Hitler’s dictatorship and the Third Reich.

Addressing MPs for the first time in the new chamber, Chancellor Gerhard Schröder rallied all with optimistic words, seeking to appease any uncomfortable memories. “Equating Reichstag with ‘Reich’ makes no sense,” he said. “Our democracy and our parliament are strong and stable.”

But is a stable democracy in Germany’s future, or is a repetition of past militarism inevitable?

“Our approach was radical, based in the view that the history of the building should not be sanitized,” said the British architect of this \$11 billion project, Sir Norman Foster.

And what an extraordinary history it has—including being a center for war propaganda during World War I and housing a Nazi exhibition in 1938 on “The Eternal Jew.”

The Reichstag is synonymous with a tumultuous national history. A history laid bare for the whole world to see in mid-April. But has anyone gasped at the sight?

The fact that “Reich”—meaning “empire”—is in the name of this historical monument is no coincidence. It is a label that one group of MPs is concerned about—demanding it should be replaced by a more neutral

phrase—since Germany no longer has an empire.

But the Bible says a European empire is to revive one last time in Western and Central Europe. Germany will spearhead this revival. The Reichstag’s reopening is yet another indicator that “classic Europe,” as historians call it, is not a thing of the past.

◆ U.S.

Military a tough sell

Across the U.S., the armed forces are experiencing a serious decline in recruitment numbers. High schools are seeing a dramatic decline in teen interest in the armed forces. The latest shortfall is presenting the military with one of the largest manpower problems in its history.

It appears Generation Y simply doesn’t feel that the military is a viable option for a career anymore. They have altogether lost interest in internal and foreign affairs; they simply don’t care about what is going on in the world, say high school and military academy recruiters.

Many youth feel that the “hard work” of enlistment makes the armed forces unappealing. Getting up early, a regimented schedule, responsibility and being told what to do rank among the military taboos of today’s teens.

In 1999 the army estimates a shortfall of 6,000 to 10,000 recruits. In a desperate effort to reverse the trend, the military will begin airing a flood of paid advertisements across the U.S. to pique teen interest. In 1998, 40 percent of soldiers did not complete their first enlistment, sending a danger signal to military recruiters and manpower planners.

◆ EUROPE

Unwelcome immigrants

The election of center-left governments in Western Europe has galvanized the far right into an offensive against liberal immigration laws in the EU’s leading countries. In France, right-winger Bruno Megret promises a cash reward in his campaign for election. If he has his way, couples who produce racially correct offspring will be given a cash bonus.

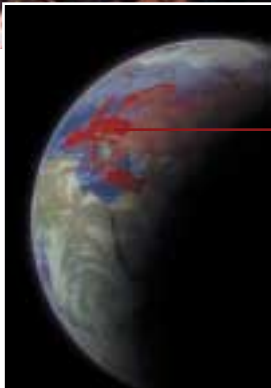
A one-time fascist from Italy, Gianfranco Fini, receives plaudits from the public for his right-wing ravings against Italy’s 13 million foreign residents.



The Christian democrats of Germany mount strong resistance to Gerhard Schröder’s stated policy for the liberalization of citizenship laws for immigrants, largely from Turkey and Eastern Europe.

Each of these countries is now fighting seemingly endemic unemployment. The ranks of the existing unemployed are due to swell over the next year due to the spate of corporate mergers trailing in the wake of globalization and the effect of the euro.

Under such conditions the right-wingers will have an increasingly appreciative audience as they call for closure of their euro-free borders—a grim reminder of the past—to further immigration. Race will yet become, once again, a key issue in European politics.



NATO

EUROPE'S NEW POLICEMAN

A SHIFTING ALLIANCE: Searching for a new identity since the end of the Cold War, NATO hopes to have found one.

BY STEPHEN FLURRY AND GARETH FRASER

FOR 40 YEARS, NATO STOOD FIRM AS the bulwark against the Soviet Union and its Communist allies, helping secure the longest period of peace in European history. Its first secretary-general, Lord Ismay, famously defined its role as, “To keep the Russians out, the Americans in and the Germans down.”

Today, after winning the Cold War without ever firing a shot, NATO is entangled in a messy conflict where tiny Kosovo, not global communism, threatens the pact’s future existence.

Since the Soviet Union collapsed in 1991, NATO has been searching for a

new identity. Nothing illustrates this better than the unprecedented bombing raids on Serbia. *Unprecedented* because of *why* the North Atlantic Treaty was signed. To understand, let us review some important history.

NATO WAS CREATED IN APRIL 1949, QUITE simply, as a one-for-all, all-for-one defensive alliance between ten European nations, the United States and Canada. During the Cold War, four other nations joined the pact (Greece and Turkey in 1952, Germany in 1955 and Spain in 1982).

Article 5 of the Treaty says, “The

A NEW IDENTITY Discussing NATO’s future during the alliance’s 50th anniversary celebration in Washington.

parties agree that an armed attack against one or more of them in Europe or North America shall be considered an attack against them all and consequently they agree that, if such an attack occurs, each of them...will assist the party or parties so attacked...including the use of armed force.”

The fact that it was established as a sort of “neighborhood watch” program makes today’s action dubious. All of the former Yugoslav states are outside NATO’s neighborhood. None of them have attacked a NATO member. That means NATO has no business meddling in the affairs of a non-member nation—at least, not if it is to abide by the original charter’s intent.

Led by the U.S. and Germany, however, NATO is shifting from a purely defensive alliance to one that’s more interventionist.

What does the future have in store for the NATO alliance as it embarks upon its new, self-appointed role as regional policeman? Believe it or not, the Bible provides us with a prophetic blueprint around which we can draw certain conclusions about NATO’s future.

IN THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL, GOD COMPARES the end-time descendants of Israel (U.S. and Britain mainly) to a harlot chasing her “lover,” or Assyria. We have proven in our booklet *The History and Prophecy of Germany* that Assyria today is Germany.

This illicit affair is prophesied to end in treacherous deceit (Ezek. 23:9). Germany is prophesied to turn on its English-speaking NATO partners, as it has historically.

Readers of the *Trumpet* have been repeatedly warned that Bible prophecy foretells one final restoration of the Roman Empire in Europe. The Bible calls this the BEAST POWER. Revelation 17:12 says it will be comprised of “ten horns”—meaning ten nations or ruling entities. Obviously, several NATO members will be included in this number.

Others, however, will not. The U.S., Britain and Canada, though currently doting on their “lover,” will not be among this ten-nation combine.

With the Bible as our guide, we can look for the wedge between the Eng-

lish-speaking peoples and the rest of Europe to widen. Look for Europe, which has been without a credible foreign policy since the end of the Cold War, to assume a role independent of American direction.

Examine the actual events of *the last ten years*. World events, especially in Europe, are changing as fast as technology! (see sidebar). Be assured that as the European beast gathers steam, it will no longer rely on America. Right now, Europe is following America's lead because it has to.

Europe needs America, not because it likes U.S. policy (it often despises it) or its inept leadership, but because it needs U.S. weapons. What would NATO nations have been for the first 40 years of the pact without advanced U.S. weaponry? Soviet satellites, no doubt.

Once Europe no longer needs America's forces, it will no longer need, or want, America. Until that happens, however, a German-led Europe will continue using NATO to camouflage its imperialistic ambitions.

That is what makes Kosovo so significant. It is NATO's first mission outside the neighborhood. Clearly, Germany has pushed hardest for the attack. In fact, Germany is most responsible for Yugoslavia's unravelling. Yet, 75 percent of NATO's firepower is American!

Right now, Germany and its European allies need America. But that is changing fast.

KOSOVO MAY HAVE CRASHED NATO's 50th anniversary bash in Washington last month, but it did not deter leaders from proposing significant changes in the alliance's agenda for the 21st century.

The biggest change was proposed by European leaders who, for some time, have complained of American high-handedness. The new Strategic Concept reflects these concerns, specifically Article 30, which states, "The European Allies have taken decisions to enable them to *assume greater responsibilities* in the security and defense field in order to enhance the peace and stability of the Euro-Atlantic area and thus the security of the Allies."

Thus, in accordance with what NATO outlined in Berlin in 1996, the European Security and Defense Identity will continue to develop within NATO. This, according to Article 30, "will assist the European Allies to *act by themselves* as

Just Ten Years

Right in line with Bible prophecy, the landscape in Europe has been tumultuous this past decade. Among the highlights of European changes:

- **Collapse of Soviet Union.** Indispensable for European unity.



- **The euro.** A single currency paves the way for a single government.



- **Germany's reunification.** The fall of the Berlin Wall introduced a new Germany to the continent.

- **German plan for dismembering Yugoslavia.**



- **U.S. troop withdrawal.** More than two-thirds of America's Cold War forces have pulled out of Europe. First signs of a new Europe less dependent on America.



- **German support for Croatia,** an old fascist ally.

- **German insistence on attacking Serbia,** a reviled World War II foe.



- **European Union.** Is there a more obvious fulfillment of Bible prophecy?

- **First German combat action** abroad since World War II.



required through the readiness of the Alliance, on a case-by-case basis and by consensus, to make its assets and capabilities available for operations in which the Alliance is not engaged militarily under the political control and strategic direction either of the Western European Union or as otherwise agreed, taking into account the full participation of all European Allies if they were so to choose."

In other words, Europe can draw on NATO resources to pursue objectives the United States is not interested in. They also discussed a plan to share America's technological superiority in its military forces.

The stage is set for the gap to widen between Europe and America!

Turkey is the only nation that objected to the wording of Article 30—

not surprising, since it has been snubbed by the European Union. What is surprising, however, is that no one else voiced disapproval—specifically, the United States and Britain. As it turns out, Turkey raised a big enough fuss to guarantee that non-European Union members of NATO would be consulted before NATO's resources were called upon for emergency action.

DESPITE NATO'S BIG PLANS, THE CRISIS in Kosovo hung over the summit in Washington like an ominous cloud. It was a constant reminder that while heads of state were celebrating the alliance's anniversary, NATO planes were bombing Serbian oil refineries, bridges, rail lines, factories, television stations—even one of Slobodan Milosevic's homes. Yet Milo-

sevic remains defiant, refugees continue to stream out of Kosovo and stories of atrocity fill space in newspapers.

Noting the obvious irony, many commentators questioned whether the alliance would even last. Francois Heisbourg, chairman-designate of the Geneva Center for Security Policy, said, "We are staring defeat in the face. If we are not capable of preventing the worst humanitarian disaster in Europe since 1945 with the full array of NATO power against the dictator of a country with 8 million people, we might as well reduce our defense budgets to zero and give up."

"We are facing defeat in terms of criteria we set for ourselves," Heisbourg said. "One was to get Milosevic to sign the Rambouillet peace agreement. Forget that. Another was to improve the humanitarian situation. The opposite is happening. A third was establishing the credibility of NATO. It's being undermined."

Former U.S. Senator Bob Dole put it this way: "If we fail and allow Serbian aggression in Kosovo to stand, [April's] celebration at the 50th anniversary of the founding of NATO conceivably

could become NATO's funeral."

For its first 40 years, the fact that NATO was small and had one, common enemy was the glue which held the alliance together. For the past ten years, NATO has been expanding and has lost its traditional enemy. That does not bode well for what some have called the world's most successful military alliance.

"Too many are arguing that the alliance should divide its forces," says former NATO commander Alexander Haig—"the European allies to take care of Europe, the U.S. to take care of interests outside of Europe. But if NATO's vital interests are divisible, then the mainspring of the alliance's success—shared interests, shared risks and shared responsibilities—will be broken. America and Europe will go their own way."

That has already begun. It started with the unification of Germany and the Soviet Union's collapse earlier this decade. Of late, this eventuality has gathered steam because of NATO expansion, the crisis in Kosovo and Europe's dissatisfaction with American hegemony within the alliance. That resulted in

Article 30 at last month's Washington Summit.

A European peace-keeping organization is a clearly defined goal of the European Union. For now, however, Europe will continue to use American firepower—but only as long as it needs it. When that is no longer the case, NATO's forces will be superseded by the European Union's, leaving a weakened Britain, Canada and America on the outside looking in.

It won't be long before Europe completely severs its ties with these English-speaking nations. True, America's military forces are still far superior to any other power in the world.

But things change—fast.

In 1933, Adolf Hitler inherited a run-down, dilapidated military force, fully incapable of carrying out his clear objective for world rule. Five years later, he had transformed that into the awesome Wehrmacht.

Considering that, and how much has happened in the last ten years, it will not take long for the European Union, led by Germany, to accumulate enough force to turn on America and her few remaining allies. ♦

NATO: WHY BOMB SERBIA?

If it's just as the politicians and the press say, NATO had plenty of chances before this one to act.

CURRENT MEDIA SPIN IS FALSE. NATO is not bombing Serbia just so displaced Albanian refugees can return home. If that was the reason, NATO would have invaded Croatia *four years ago* to put an end to "Operation Storm"—when Croatia's army chased more than 350,000 Serbs out of its territory.

Consider the Croatian town of Knin. Before the war between Croatia and Serbia, which ended in 1995, the city's population was only 11 percent Croat. After Operation Storm, with the city reduced to half its original size, 71 percent of its residents were Croats. Serbian staff were removed from hospitals, law enforcement agencies and school systems. Even streets were given new Croatian names.

That's called ethnic cleansing.

In fact, Carl Bildt, former European Community mediator in the Balkans, calls it "the most efficient ethnic cleansing we've seen in the Balkans."

President Clinton has vowed that all 600,000 Kosovar



BOMBS AWAY A crude oil reservoir in Belgrade is hit.

refugees will be returned to their homes. Four years after Operation Storm, less than 20 percent of the 350,000 Serbs have returned to Croatia. And of those who have, many complain that Croatia is making it difficult to obtain citizenship.

NATO has done virtually nothing to help Serbs return home. In fact, as *Trumpet* readers are well aware, NATO forces actually *supported* Croatia's secession from Yugoslavia—at Germany's insistence—despite the ethnic cleansing and the fact that Croatian fascists helped exterminate more than 700,000 Serbs in World War II. (Croatian President, Franjo Tudjman, has refused to disassociate his country from its fascist past.)

As pointed out in "The Unseen Danger in Kosovo" (page 6), Germany stood against the whole world in 1991 by recognizing Croatia. *That*, not Slobodan Milosevic, is the reason civil war has erupted in Yugoslavia. That point cannot be overemphasized.

Today, it is that same German insistence, working behind the scenes, which is most responsible for NATO bombing raids on Serbia. It might not *appear* that way, since the U.S. is at the forefront of the assault. But again, if we look behind the scenes, as *Stratfor's* George Friedman says, you see the "Germans under the table...playing an extremely aggressive role."

NATO, the new regional policeman, chose Milosevic as its first target for one reason: because Serbia has historically been an avowed enemy of Germany.

STEPHEN FLURRY



RUSSIA

RETURN OF THE EVIL EMPIRE?

A WARY NOSTALGIA: Nearly ten years ago, the Soviet Union dissolved, and former Soviet republics looked West, yearning to share in the prosperity of capitalism. But now, after years of frustration and failed economies, many of them are contemplating a return to the old union.

BY ANDREW LOCHER

"MR. GORBACHEV, TEAR THIS WALL down," hammered President Ronald Reagan. The Berlin Wall, separating East from West, did come crashing down in 1989. With the collapse of the wall came the demise of the Soviet Union and a new era of hope. The end of the USSR also signaled the end of the Cold War. Emerging victorious, the United States assumed the role as the world's only superpower.

The U.S. has also elected itself policeman for the world. After the Reagan era, the Bush administration focused on a New World Order. The United Nations became more respected and authoritarian in resolving global conflicts. Without communist expansion warring against democratic growth in the developing world, Western nations could focus on maintaining world peace. No longer were the missiles of the Soviet Union aimed at the United States; we reciprocated by standing down our level of alert.

In recent years, however, escalating regional conflict and civil strife have necessitated increased Western military intervention around the world.

It is this increased Western influence that might prod nations, which once languished behind the Iron Curtain, to form an alliance in opposition to the West. As has been the case historically, Russia is behind the growing anti-West emergence.

NATO Strikes in Yugoslavia

The damage inflicted by NATO air strikes against Serbian forces has far-reaching implications. Russia has vigorously opposed the use of force to curtail President Milosevic's advances in Kosovo. Once NATO forces began their bombing campaign, Russia quickly moved to sever contact with NATO nations. Russia views NATO's move as a direct challenge to their national interests and security. In response, nine warships from the Black Sea Fleet were dispatched for military exercises in close proximity to NATO forces operating in the Adriatic against Yugoslavia. This marked a return to Cold War tactics of harassment, intimidation and spying.

Though largely believed to be symbolic, the mobilization of Russian forces is raising many questions. The decrepit condition of the Soviet military machine seems to pose little danger to the technologically advanced Western militaries. But the sheer number of weapons and troops still under the command of Russia and its allies forms a formidable force.

NATO air strikes in Yugoslavia are galvanizing the former nations of the Soviet Union as they reconsider security interests of their own. Poland,

Hungary and the Czech Republic have been admitted to NATO. The remaining former republics now question their own security concerns in light of NATO aggression against their neighbors and allies. Alone, they cannot resist NATO's force; but historically, when aligned against the West, they were able to stave them off.

At the conclusion of World War II, the Soviets relished the defeat of their German adversaries. (There is a long history of bloodshed between these nations.) As the Soviet Union turned its focus against the United States, Germany quietly rebuilt. By the time the Soviet Union collapsed, the unthinkable had taken place—Germany had unified and has since ascended to power once again. Now, as a member of NATO, Germany controls the European Union. They also comprise the real leadership behind the attacks against Serbian forces in Yugoslavia. For the Russians, it appears history is repeating itself—and they are not prepared to stand idly by and suffer the consequences.

Western Resentment

History has proven that a love-hate relationship exists between the former Soviets and Western nations. The Soviets aligned themselves with Britain and the United States to fight Nazi Germany, but aggressively turned against them in the Cold War. As that war came to an end, relations between East and West warmed. But the pendulum is now swinging back toward sus-



RUSSIANS protest NATO's Kosovo action

picion, resentment and contempt.

Rising Russian crime, corruption, and drug trafficking are all blamed on capitalism. Some fear Russia becoming a failed state ruled by anarchy. There appears to be little or no authority in Moscow to control their dissolving federation. Paranoia among leaders and the people makes the prospect of tight central security less undesirable.

To complicate matters further,

BACK LIKE A BEAR

How the Kosovo conflict sparked a Russian comeback

OVER THE PAST YEAR THE WESTERN PRESS HAS PRESENTED THE WORLD WITH A picture of an ailing Russia, its economy in tatters, its president on the brink of death, International Monetary Fund aid disappearing without trace, its foreign policy enfeebled—an impression that Russia is a basket case with no means of recovery evident in the foreseeable future.

But gullible Western journalists have forgotten one thing: the expertise of the Russians in manufacturing and perpetrating disinformation. All of a sudden, the Russians are back.

The ailing president Boris Yeltsin is seen in a serious role, rallying his government. An ex-KGB agent, Prime Minister Primakov has quietly stacked the deck of the Russian bureaucracy with old KGB die-hards. The missing IMF bil-

lions turn up in off-shore accounts, earning huge sums of interest, the result of a giant Russian hoodwink of the world's monetary aid fund. And lo and behold, the Russian generals, once disparate and divided as a result of failure of the government to pay their sorely tried troops, are suddenly united.

What happened? KOSOVO!

Not only has the latest round in the Balkan wars, sparked initially by German recognition of Croatia and Slovenia eight years ago, united the military and government in Russia; for the first time since Mikhail Gorbachev's *perestroika*, the Russian citizenry are uniting behind their government. They have found a common cause! A

vehemently anti-West, anti-U.S. cause! Over 90 percent of Russians oppose NATO's air war in Yugoslavia.

Not only is the Kosovo debacle stirring the nationalist blood of the Russians, the extreme ineptness of U.S. foreign policy exponents deliberately moving to forge stronger ties between the West and ex-Soviet states in the Caucasus is adding much fuel to the fire. In particular, American-influenced NATO initiatives encouraging Georgia and Azerbaijan to enter the NATO camp have infuriated the Russians. In a reaction to Western incursion into the old Soviet front door, Russia has loaded neighboring Armenia with advanced S-300 surface-to-air missiles and MIG 29 fighters, rattling its saber in a warning to Azerbaijan.

Cocking a snook at Russia, Azerbaijani President Edward Shevardnadze has announced plans to support a NATO peacekeeping effort with a contingent of 50 soldiers as part of a Turkish unit, with the prospect of deployment in Kosovo.

Although there can be no denying the desire of the U.S. and Western foreign-policy formulators to influence the politics of the Caucasus, there is no doubt that U.S. oil interests are also playing a big part. Contracts to the tune of \$2 billion are up for signature between Azerbaijani oil company Socar and U.S. companies Mobil and Exxon. NATO's entanglement in the Caucasus also drew the Ukraine into a military exercise in April designed to prepare for the prospect of emergencies on the Baku-Sursa oil pipeline. The exercise was conducted under NATO's Partnership for Peace program.

The timing of the U.S. Administration and NATO's overt actions in these old Soviet states could hardly be more abysmal. Not only have NATO's relations with Russia been sundered by their ignoring Russia in the Kosovo equation, Russia is feeling increasingly boxed in by Western incursions into the Balkans—now extending right across the Polish plain to the Ukraine and south to the Caucasus. The Russian bear may be tempted to break out and retaliate against the American eagle.

Watch for the wild card in the pack—Germany—to conclude a future treaty with Russia—thus rendering the U.S. of no effect in European relations.

RON FRASER

Russia has largely been abandoned financially by G7 nations and the IMF. Pledges of future loans now come with demands of significant reforms. Barring financial aid from the West, the Russians have little motivation to adopt a more capitalistic society. Present reforms have resulted in economic chaos. But should Western intervention cease, Russia will destabilize even further.

For the Germans, an unstable Russia is not a good prospect. Germany needs stability to their East as they continue to unite Europe. With economic and political instability from the Baltics to the Balkans, Germany is forced to depend on the U.S. to help settle issues in Europe—a position they want to avoid.

Anti-Western sentiments are fueling intense nationalism throughout Russia. This in turn could lead to ultra-nationalist leadership and isolationism much like the Soviet era. Domineering personalities such as Vladimir Zhirinovskiy and Gennady Zyuganov of the Communist party are already propagating anti-Western sentiment to a growing majority of Russians. As their popularity rises, so does talk of re-unification.

The more moderate President Boris Yeltsin feels pressure to fight NATO. In a televised interview, he warned, "I told NATO, the Americans, the Germans, don't push us towards military action. Otherwise there will be a European war for sure—and possibly world war."

At the prospect of NATO ground forces occupying Yugoslavia, Russian military advisers are demanding military intervention on behalf of the Serbs. Military pressure for intervention and failing political policies are distancing Yeltsin from the people. Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov, former head of the KGB, was elected with the hope that he would stabilize Moscow. He too has aspirations of rebuilding the Soviet empire.

President Yeltsin may be the last moderate, pro-Western leader of Russia. If a more leftist ruler is placed in office, a stronger Russia will draw other former republics into the new empire. That appears to be the missing element in the new union: Who will lead the former republics back to the union?

A Revived Union?

Once dissolved, the member-nations of the former Soviet Union moved to embrace democracy and capitalism. But their economies have



PRIMAKOV pushed in old KGB.



FEELING THE PRESSURE Anti-Westerners like Zyuganov and Zhirinovskiy are forcing Yeltsin to get tougher.



Zyuganov



Zhirinovskiy



Yeltsin

JOEL HILLIKER

NATO's border more than 400 miles closer to Russia.

Not all nations prospered under the Soviet Union. In fact, though they enjoyed military security, their economies and lifestyles were severely hampered by communist philosophy. Returning to those conditions is hard to contemplate. A weakening Russia must rebuild its empire if it is to stop NATO expansion. How the Russians deal with former Soviet republics that refuse to voluntarily join their new union is yet to be seen.

The Outcome?

Only God can predict with any certainty the final outcome of these issues. Regional conflicts are dividing alliances and forging new ones around the world. As the United States steps up intervention in these conflicts, it is increasingly finding itself hated by all nations. Hatred for the United States is binding many nations in strategic alliances. One proven alliance capable of deterring the United States was the Soviet Union. Will regional conflicts draw the former Soviet republics together as before? Only time will tell, but the signs are rather ominous that these nations are shifting to the left once again. ♦

floundered and impoverished the people. The glamour of the West faded quickly among these struggling nations. Nostalgia for the old Union began to surge.

Belarus was the first republic to engage in a new partnership with Russia. Kazakhstan and Ukraine are divided about whether to join or not. Armenia is being courted by Russia as they are aided in their struggle against Azerbaijan. Georgia has intimated it would like to become part of NATO, but to date has been refused.

The Ukraine is faced with potentially the most difficult decision. Rich in natural resources and arable land, this strategic country entices both Western powers and Russia. The Ukrainians are struggling with an identity crisis. The majority of its citizens sympathize with leftist philosophy and are loyal to their Russian history. But the enticement of Western lifestyle also clutched many Ukrainians as they embraced capitalism. Now corruption and crime have overwhelmed them. Nationalists and free-marketeers are shifting again to the left. If these once-opposing political entities can unite, they will put Ukraine on a fast track back to Russian alliance. Perhaps of greatest concern for

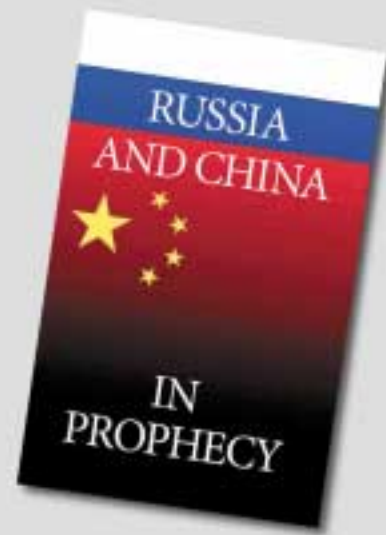
Ukrainians is their security. Watching the U.S. and Europe intervene militarily in the region makes them nervous. The Ukraine resided under the protection of the Soviet nuclear umbrella just ten years ago. Today, they don't enjoy that same comfort unless they commit to the developing union of former Soviet republics.

Estonia is another critical nation to watch. It was only eight years ago that Estonia won its independence from Russia. Since that conflict, they have sought membership in the European Union, NATO and the World Trade Organization. To date, their efforts have been unsuccessful. Their inclusion in these Western alliances would destabilize the Baltic region. Russia feels that it must maintain control over the Baltics to defend itself. Western nations realize this and have denied Estonia admission to avoid conflict with Russia. But the Estonians have vowed to go down fighting Russia rather than be bullied back into a union with them.

Now that NATO has accepted Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, Russia is feeling pressure to align itself with former members of the USSR for protection. The inclusion of these former Warsaw Pact nations has moved

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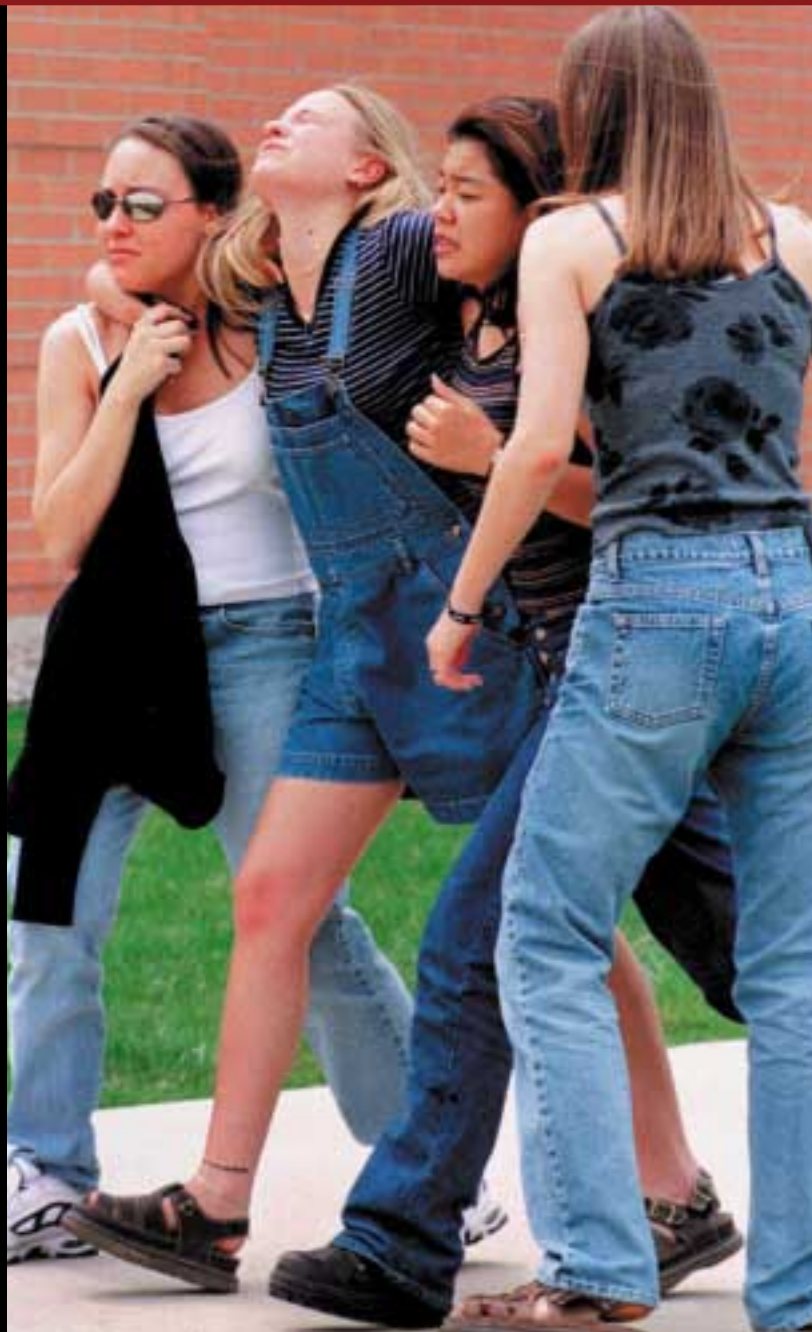
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The Littleton massacre has the whole nation asking questions.

WHY KIDS KILL

What is God's answer?



SICKENING PERSPECTIVE: Consider this. In over a month of war against Serbia, there has not been one American casualty. Yet, in just four hours, two teenage gunmen murdered 12 schoolmates and a teacher before committing suicide. The nightmare at Columbine High School on April 20 has reawakened Americans (though not nearly enough of us) to another war being waged within our borders.

OUR OWN BACKYARD Girls evacuate the school; a police SWAT team prepares to enter the building for a bomb search.

VIEWPOINT

STEPHEN FLURRY

COLUMBINE HIGH SCHOOL IS unique in that it played host to the worst school shooting in American history. Aside from that grisly distinction, however, it is a story not unlike many others in recent memory. In 1992, a 20-year-old returned to his former high school in Olivehurst, California, and, upset over a failing grade, killed four people. In 1993, a 17-year-old walked into his English teacher's class and shot her in the head. In 1996, in Moses Lake, Washington, a 14-year-old gunned down two classmates with an assault rifle. In February of 1997, a 16-year-old went to his small school in Alaska and murdered his principal and a classmate. Six months later, in Pearl, Mississippi, a 16-year-old outcast first killed his mom, then went to school and shot nine classmates, two of whom died. Two months later, a 14-year-old fired a volley of bullets on a prayer circle at a school in Paducah, Kentucky. Three of them died.

In 1998, school shootings did not abate. In March, after setting off a false alarm, two boys, ages 11 and 13, hunkered down behind a grassy knoll outside the school. Moments later, like they were shooting ducks at a carnival, they used semi-automatic rifles and handguns to kill four students and one teacher. Ten others were wounded. One month later, at an eighth-grade dance in Edinboro, Pennsylvania, a 14-year-old fatally shot a teacher and wounded two students. He had reportedly told friends that he planned to make the dance "memorable." Less than a month later, a high school senior in Fayetteville, Tennessee, killed one of his friends at school because of a dispute about a girl. The next day, across the country, in Springfield, Oregon, a freshman boy was expelled for bringing a gun to school. The following day, the boy entered his high school cafeteria with a semi-automatic rifle and opened fire. He killed two and wounded 22 others. Later, investigators also found

both of the boy's parents shot to death.

The 1998-99 school year had been relatively quiet, as far as shootings are concerned. All that changed on April 20.

America's schools—the "safest" not excluded—are becoming battlefields. And many people, parents especially, are asking *why*. Who or what is responsible? America proclaims itself an international policeman, yet cannot police its own children.

Psychologists blame the problem on our inability to address "the needs of children in terms of mental health" (Dr. Alan Unis, ABC report). But one wonders how society survived 100 years ago when guidance counselors and child psychologists didn't really exist. Neither did school

shootings. You would think a few scholars might make that connection.

The problem with the younger generation goes much deeper than needing extra guidance counselors! It's time we turn to God to see why these problems persist and what are the real solutions.

IN ISAIAH 30:8, GOD TELLS US THAT Isaiah recorded his book for a "time to come"—that means now—the days we are living in immediately prior to the return of Jesus Christ to this earth.

In the first chapter of Isaiah, the

prophet compares the end-time descendants of Israel to an ox—one of the dumbest, clumsiest animals there is. (If you have not yet proven who the end-time descendants of Israel are, you need to immediately write for *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* which explains this in detail.) Americans, in large part, descend from the tribe of Manasseh, one of the lost ten tribes of Israel.

In Isaiah 1:3, God says even the ox knows its owner, but the Israelites—God's own people—do not. They have forgotten so many things which used to be so evident and understood by all. Above all, they have forgotten their Creator, God says.

Now turn to Isaiah 3 and see how fitting this description is of America today. In verses 2 and 3, God says that in the end time, He would take away the strong men of war, prudent judges, God-fearing ministers, practical counselors, skilled workers, eloquent speakers and the older, wiser generation. In other words, God has removed the real leadership from America.

If that has been removed, we should ask, what has replaced the leadership vacuum? Verse 4 says, "I will give children to be their princes, and babes shall rule over them." That means two things, really. First, leaders today (as the older, wiser generation dies off) are behaving more like children than adults. Secondly, it means society itself is dominated by a rebellious adolescent spirit.

Because of this, Isaiah says, "people will oppress one another, every man his fellow and every man his neighbor..." (v. 5, Revised Standard).

Corruption reigns.



HOW COULD THEY? Schoolmates grieve over the killings.

NOT ENOUGH MENTAL HEALTH CARE?



Eric Harris



Dylan Klebold

Psychologists blame the problem on our inability to address "the needs of children in terms of mental health in this country." The problem with the younger generation goes much deeper than that! It's time we turn to God to see why these problems persist and what are the real solutions.

SUICIDE MISSION What drove these two seniors to wage war against their peers before killing themselves in the bloodiest school shooting ever?

The verse concludes, “The child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the base against the honorable.”

Disrespect reigns.

Why?

That’s the question everyone asks after a tragedy like Littleton. The answer is that the quality leaders of verses 2 and 3 have been taken away! If we are ever to solve the problems plaguing the younger generation, *we must first consider what is wrong with the older one!* God says in verse 12, “*They which lead you cause you to err, and destroy the way of your paths.*”

To the adult generation of today, God thunders, “As for my people, *children* are their oppressors, and *women* rule over them.” It all gets back to family. Everything is backwards. It’s been that way for more than two generations. And we are finally beginning to reap what we began to sow 30 or 40 years ago. I realize this reasoning is far too simplistic for the intellectual elite of this day—but it is, nevertheless, true. No amount of guidance counseling will turn it around unless they are willing to tackle the real issue—THE DESTRUCTION WITHIN THE FAMILY.

NOW FOR THE SOLUTION. AT THIS point, I could write a lot about how different it will be when Christ returns—how He will restore government and peace within the family. How He will put an end to fornication, adultery and divorce. How He will turn the family right-side up, with the father reassuming his role as loving head and provider; the wife as a submissive helpmeet for her husband; and their children, obediently following in the steps of their parents. But for the benefit of those who are downright hostile to that instruction, let’s turn to a bit of history that most Americans should be familiar with.

George Washington was America’s first President and, next to Abraham Lincoln, perhaps the finest we’ve ever had. Though much younger than many of the other Founding Fathers, he quickly became the one the others looked to for outstanding character and leadership.

It’s been said that when George Washington’s mother was asked how she raised such a remarkable son, she replied, “I taught him to obey.” George’s father was said to have told

his son, “It is not sufficient just to obey, you must learn to obey cheerfully.”

From the earliest age, George was taught to accept responsibility for his actions. He was taught to always wait patiently while his elders conducted their affairs. He learned to be quiet when elders were talking. He learned that dad was the head of the house and that his decision was final. For George, there were definite penalties for inappropriate action—most notably, spanking.

In *The Making of George Washington*, William Wilbur wrote, “It is worth noting that there were no negative influences in the home, no relatives who lived with the family who might modify or dilute the thoughts and principles which August [George’s father] gave his children every day.”

George grew up in a solid family. August was a father who understood that he and his wife were most responsible for the future growth and development of their son.

“Perhaps the most important factor of this fine home,” Wilbur notes, “was Mary’s cheerful acceptance of her husband’s leadership. The reason for this happy situation can be found in the teaching and philosophy of the church and society of that era.”

He goes on to quote Ephesians 5 and I Peter 3 which outline the God-ordained roles in the family.

Concerning George’s mom, Wilbur writes, “Not only did she do her part to create a happy home, she also made it possible for George to develop *complete faith in his father.*”

You see, when she said she taught her son to obey, it wasn’t just by command. It was by example. Mary was brought up to be obedient too. George learned obedience from his parents by what they taught—and by their example. Because of that obedience instilled in George from an early age—and because of how serious his parents viewed their responsibility to teach their children—George’s path toward greatness was a short one. He learned at an accelerated rate.

“It is difficult to overestimate the value of this gift of complete trust,” Wilbur wrote. “Because of it the boy accepted and absorbed a large store of his father’s wisdom.

Equally important, as a result of the fact that George accepted everything his father said without question, the knowledge he acquired was absorbed *at a fraction* of the time which would have been required under other conditions. As a consequence, George matured more rapidly than the average child.”

As a man, George Washington was physically strong, a fearless military man—one of our nation’s best generals. He feared God, worked hard, gave moving speeches and was wise well beyond his years.

But how did that happen? Why did he end up so great? A great many biographies have been written which, no doubt, cover many contributing factors. It would be impossible to list them all. I have tried to give just a brief synopsis of what his upbringing was like to make a point.

IN THE SAME MANNER, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO cover all contributing factors which ex-

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plain why a teenager would walk into English class and shoot his teacher in the head. What caused that? Poor grades? Being an outcast? Video games? Violence on television? Divorce? Music lyrics? Neo-Nazi literature?

All of those may be contributing factors. But none get right to the heart of the matter, which is this: The great George Washington could not possibly have been produced in a troubled home atmosphere rife with dissension, hatred, bickering and rebellion. And neither could a teenage killer have been produced in the loving, peaceful, obedient home atmosphere young George was raised in.

"I taught him to obey." That's Mary Washington's view of why her son became so great. That, like much of what the Washingtons taught their son, was a Bible-based principle.

One of the wisest men who ever lived, Solomon, wrote that of "many books there is no end" (Eccl. 12:12).

Living in the Information Age, there is no shortage of knowledge—of experts who claim to have answers, like if we only had a few more guidance counselors in schools all the mindless acts of school violence would end. What absolute ignorance!

God says we have all kinds of knowledge available, but we have forgotten Him and thereby rejected the most important knowledge of all.

"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole *duty* of man" (v. 13). The word "duty" is italicized in the King James, meaning translators added it. In the original Hebrew, it reads, "...this is *the whole man*." What is? Fearing God and keeping the commandments.

Think about this: What good is it to teach the oncoming generation all there is to know about this Information Age if we never teach them to obey?

If obedience, more than any other

factor, is what Mary attributed to George's success, it is safe to say that *disobedience*, above all, is what leads to these senseless acts of violence. Those teenagers were never taught to obey—at least not in the way George was—in a loving, yet firm way.

George Washingtons don't just happen any more than teenage killers do. They are MADE, above all, by the parents. God says so.

"Train up a child in the *way he should go*: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. 22:6).

So if we are looking for real solutions to the Jonesboros, the Paducahs or the Littletons, look beyond the teens. They are only the effect. The cause gets back to *how* we have trained them.

OVER 30 YEARS AGO, THE UNITED States was sucked into a destructive, costly and unpopular war. I am not referring to Vietnam. I'm talking about the cultural revolution. It was waged by an American minority—mostly young people. The fundamental premise of their revolt was simply rebellion—rebellion against traditional standards, against high morals, against virtually any form of authority—especially parents. Back then, this rebellious minority was called a counter-culture because it wasn't necessarily mainstream. It was actually quite shocking to the mainstream. That's not to say that prior to the '60s there were no rebellious children. But it certainly had never been as organized and widespread as it was then. The older generation in the '60s had never seen anything quite like it.

Since that time, this rebellious spirit has spread like cancer. Youthful rebels did not go away when the '60s ended. They became administrators, professors, politicians—and *parents*.

The result?

What started as a rebellion from the bottom is now taught from the top. What once was shocking now seems innocent. And above all, what once was counter-culture is now *popular* culture.

Yes, the rebellious youth culture has won the cultural revolution. And now, making matters worse, the "innocent" rebels of yesteryear have raised up a generation that now oppresses us.

I wonder if people realize just how much teenagers have taken over.

Who determines popular fashions today? Who determines what is popular music? Who do advertisers target

"I taught him to obey."

From his earliest years, George Washington was taught to:

- 1) Obey the Ten Commandments, which, his dad told the children, "cover the major moral issues of life."
- 2) Obey Appleby (an English school) rules of conduct—a lengthy list of virtues which got more specific than the Ten Commandments. Rules like:

- Associate yourselves with persons of good character.
- Speak not evil of the absent.
- When you speak of God, let it be seriously and with reverence.
- Let your recreations be manful, not sinful.
- Do not correct another in anger.
- Let your conversation be without malice or envy.
- Be attentive when others speak.
- Stand up when others come to speak to you, even if you consider him to be your inferior.
- When your elders are talking, speak not until you are asked a question. Then stand up and answer in a few words.



THE FAMOUS tree chopping: "I cannot tell a lie."

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above all? Who determines motion picture and television themes? In which group is there rampant promiscuity? Which group glamorizes drugs? And which group commits three times as many crimes as adults?

Teens.

Our children have become our oppressors. In its extreme, this oppressiveness manifests itself in places like Littleton and Jonesboro.

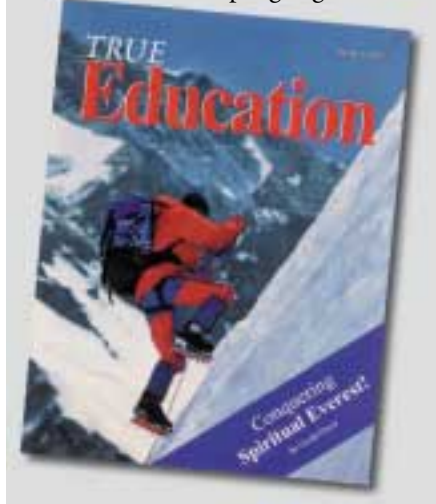
And when it rears its ugly head in a tragedy as despicable as Littleton, psychologists, counselors, ministers, even parents, would have us believe that those things “just happen”—if only there were a few more counselors around to help children find their inner selves.

Please.

Our younger generation is the way it is because of the sins of the older generation. This society is what we have made it to be. ♦

Hope for Youth

It is clear that in many ways, this world's education is failing today's young people. Our quarterly youth magazine, *True Education*, seeks to provide young people a guide, or compass, with which to navigate today's ever-growing sea of information. It aims to help them sift through what surrounds them to find what is true and right. To point them to the Bible as the foundation of knowledge. To explain the broad picture of world events in a plain and understandable way. *You may request a free subscription in writing (see the addresses on this magazine's table of contents), or on our website, www.pcog.org.*



Alamagordo *from page 1*

What if they were to attack the U.S. when we thought they were an ally? Could Alamagordo be our trojan horse?

Winston Churchill also tried to warn the Western world about Germany in World War II. Martin Gilbert's biography on Winston Churchill states that Churchill was “convinced about the possibilities of *surprise* in the German organizational framework.” Churchill admonished us to “REMEMBER THE FONDNESS EVINced BY GERMANY IN HISTORY FOR THIS PARTICULAR FORM OF SURPRISE.”

“The Air Staff,” Martin Gilbert continued, “*fully share* Mr. Churchill's apprehensions as regards GERMAN ABILITY TO SPRING A SURPRISE ON THEIR ENEMY ON THE OUTBREAK OF WAR BY SOME UNEXPECTED MANEUVER.”

Hitler said before World War II that if war came, “I should fall upon my enemy suddenly, like lightning striking out of the night!” The problem is most people didn't believe him, even after he made the statement! Have we learned anything from history?

Here is what President Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill said in February 1945, in a signed document about American-British policy on Germany. It was a strong warning for the future. They said (emphasis mine): “It is our inflexible purpose to DESTROY German militarism and Nazism and to ENSURE Germany will NEVER AGAIN be able to disturb the peace of the world. We are determined to disarm and disband all German Armed Forces, break up FOR ALL TIME the German General Staff that has REPEATEDLY contrived the resurgence of German militarism, remove or destroy all German military equipment, eliminate or control all German industry that could be used for military production. It is not our purpose to destroy the people of Germany, but ONLY WHEN NAZISM AND MILITARISM HAVE BEEN EXTIRPATED will there be hope for a decent life for Germans and a place for them in the community of nations.”



When the West (headed by the United States) started rebuilding Germany, even Konrad Adenauer, the German leader after World War II, said rebuilding Germany was “taking a calculated risk.” He knew his own people. He knew Nazism was not dead.

These men knew Germany had “REPEATEDLY” disturbed the world's peace! Konrad Adenauer knew it was a “calculated risk” to even rebuild Germany!

Is there no risk in America allowing the Germans to establish a sophisticated military base in our land? HISTORY THUNDERS A WARNING TO OUR LEADERS!

“When the situation was manageable it was neglected,” Churchill stated, “and now that it is thoroughly out of hand we apply too late the remedies

which then might have effected a cure.

“There is nothing new in the story. It is as old as the sibylline books. It falls into that long, dismal catalogue of the fruitlessness of experience and THE CONFIRMED UNTEACHABILITY OF MANKIND. Want of foresight, unwillingness to act when action would be simple and effective, lack of clear thinking, confusion of counsel until the emergency comes, until self-preservation strikes its jarring gong—these are the features which constitute the *endless repetition of history.*”

It's the same old story. Men never learn from history. Again and again we make the same mistakes!

Former German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt recently said that Germany is again putting on “imperial airs.”

Bernard Connolly wrote in his 1995 book, *The Rotten Heart of Europe*, that France was trying to “hold the old demons of Germany's character in check.”

In October 1995, Margaret Thatcher, former prime minister of England, made some astounding statements concerning the new Germany. She said allowing Germany to reunify was a big mistake for which all of Europe is now paying. “GERMANY IS VERY POWERFUL NOW,” she said. “HER NATIONAL CHARACTER IS TO DOMINATE.” She accused Germany of using its new

economic clout to control European policies and institutions. "You have *not* anchored Germany to Europe," she concluded, "YOU HAVE ANCHORED EUROPE TO A NEWLY DOMINANT, UNIFIED GERMANY. In the end, my friends, you'll find IT WILL NOT WORK."

Do our leaders even listen to these disturbing statements from people of great stature? Are we blind to what is happening on the world scene? William Shirer, author of *The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich*, during an address in Seattle on April 12, 1961, said: "The vast majority in a poll taken in Germany said that Nazism was a good idea, only badly carried out."

Why did they think it was badly carried out? Their response was that "it lost the war for us." IF THEY HAD WON THE WAR, THEY WOULD HAVE THOUGHT NAZISM WAS A GRAND IDEA! Shirer continued, "THE MEMORY OF HITLER IS FAR FROM BAD AND FAR FROM DEAD."

Do our leaders today really understand the history of Germany? Are our leaders and people unteachable?

America supplied the armaments to defeat Germany in two world wars. Powerful German leaders are keenly aware of this fact. The Nazi underground has stated publicly that America would be their number-one target in the next war.

They believe that they are destined to rule the world. When the Nazis saw World War II was lost, they began planning for World War III.

Here is what Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in 1952: "The United States is determined, now, to let NOTHING stand in the way of building up a re-armed, independent GERMANY. This will be the heart and CORE of the united EUROPE that will revive the ROMAN EMPIRE" (*Plain Truth*, June 1952).

He also made such statements immediately after World War II, when Germany was in a heap of rubble. The experts and authorities at that time said Germany would never rise again. How could Mr. Armstrong have known that Germany would again rise in great power? He understood and believed Bible prophecy.

The Bible gets very specific. Ezekiel is an end-time book to warn Israel. God specifically prophesies that He is going to "raise up your lovers against you" (Ezek. 23:22). And who would our lovers be? Certainly, the nation that is the first to ever establish a permanent military base on our soil!



The Last Peacemaker

«The article about King Hussein was a great tribute to a man who knew what rulership was about. Here was a man who used the talents he possessed for the benefit of those whom he ruled.»

Cardigan, Wales

MAY I CONGRATULATE YOU AND THE TEAM of writers for the *Trumpet* on a truly magnificent effort with the current issue. The article about King Hussein was a great tribute to a man who knew what rulership was about. Here was a man who used the talents he possessed for the benefit of those whom he ruled. Also the articles on the rise of the false religion (which has appropriated the name Christianity to itself) are inspired. There is a need for the errors of the Romish Church to be exposed, and to show the world where that church is leading the fledgling European Union. Your article is a masterpiece.

Cardigan, Wales

YOUR MARCH/APRIL ISSUE IS THE MOST outstanding document on world affairs, economics, religious prophecy and the future that I have read. My congratulations to you and your staff for the excellent research, evaluation and interpretations in line with the teachings of Herbert W. Armstrong as he founded the Worldwide Church of God and spread the gospel around the world.

San Diego, Calif.

Printing the Truth

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SENDING ME your magazine *gratis!* I did not ask for it, but apparently God knew I needed it. Few magazines are willing to print the truth today! I have been a member of WCG for many years, and they no longer print "the truth" in their *Plain Truth* magazine.

Newton, N.J.

I ALWAYS LIKE TO RECEIVE THE TRUMPET, AS I once liked to receive *The Plain Truth*, because I find your articles so interesting and informative. I am a Jew, not a Christian, and I don't agree with your theology at all. However, your articles are very good, and you highlight international developments that the mainstream media usually miss, or come along after the fact and acknowledge when it is safe to do so. I make the above statement as a member of the Foreign Press Association in Israel and the New York City chapter

of the U.S. Society of Professional Journalists.

Jerusalem, Israel

I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR YOUR WISDOM, your courage and your calling. I must say that your prophecy and the shortness of time before Armageddon make me believe that your calling is vital to the peoples of the world, even more so than in Herbert Armstrong's day. Thank God for your understanding. I pray He will inspire and help you to get the message out to the world.

Somerset, England

I FEEL TOTALLY BLESSED TO HAVE A SUBSCRIPTION to your magazine. The *Trumpet* tells the truth the way that it's supposed to be told.

Tehachapi, Calif.

THE TRUMPET IS THE MOST STRAIGHTFORWARD, truthful source of information I've ever been privileged to obtain.

Blaumont, Tex.

I DIDN'T CARE MUCH ABOUT HISTORY in school, but reading your articles in the *Trumpet* magazine, and all of your literature, helps me to realize how ignorant I am about a lot of things. I have a love of learning I never had before. I couldn't ask for a better education. I sincerely thank you all for your help, and may God continue to bless your work.

Buffalo, N.Y.

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GARY RETHFORD

The Unseen Hand

Hope for the future

IN A WORLD HURLING TOWARD DESTRUCTION, hope is on the horizon. Not a hope born of humanity, because it will not come from man. Not a hope built by society—it will not come from groups of men. Rather, a hope soon to come upon the earth from an unseen hand.

As 1940 wore on toward June, a stage was being set for the now-famous and well-documented “Battle of Britain”—the time when a small number of men hurtled their planes into the air to engage a numerically superior enemy in mortal combat. Looking back on that time is easy for us today, but it wasn’t so positive for those who were about to receive the severe onslaught of the German Luftwaffe.

At that time of Britain’s darkest hour, Winston Churchill’s “blood, sweat and tears” speech moved a nation. It shot through to the hearts of the British people. It firmed their determination that if they were to survive as a nation they must be willing to suffer any sacrifice.

After World War II failed to bring real peace, and the nuclear age became dominant, one of America’s leading news-magazines, *U.S. News and World Report*, made a statement to the general effect that our only hope for human survival is in the power of a Strong Hand from somewhere. That statement continues to become more true with every passing day.

As surely as Britain faced the question of survival then, all humanity faces the question of survival now—the survival of the human race! In 1934, a work began to publish and broadcast the truth of a coming time of peace. The founder of that work, Herbert W. Armstrong, wrote, “Thirty-eight years ago a tiny handful of financially poor but sober people did face up to [world events]. They volunteered to join me in a ‘blood, sweat and tears’ sacrifice to do something about it.

“As time went on, others caught the vision, volunteered to join with them. Now, in humanity’s darkest hour—with most of humanity lethargically refusing to face up to it, our deliverance is near. Glorious victory is in sight; humanity will be saved alive. The peaceful, happy, prosperous, joyful WORLD TOMORROW is soon to dawn.”

Today, our eyes must be opened to the serious and sobering news events. We should see the way humanity is going—the threat to human existence.

The film footage of the thousands of refugees streaming out of Kosovo is but a prelude of what is soon to come upon the whole earth. Today, we continue to send the warning of a coming holocaust, but we also send a message of hope. The ultimate *truth* is, there is a solution—a *solution* to world problems, by and through this UNSEEN Strong Hand from somewhere!

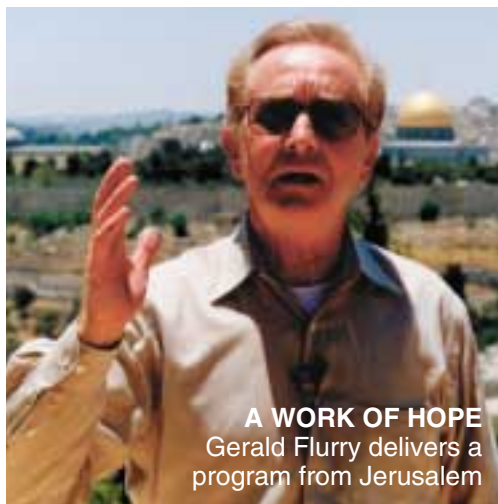
News sources today only report the news. Of those sources, only a few give world news from different perspectives. And of all the sources, none show the solutions that are going to save this world. That’s because only the *Trumpet* magazine is able to accurately analyze today’s news in light of biblical prophecy. Only the *Trumpet* magazine and *The Key of David* television program bring GOOD NEWS of a better tomorrow. The time when a Prince of Peace will rule the earth with outgoing love and concern. A time when implements of war will be turned into implements of peace. The *Trumpet* magazine is the only source of that good news, *and it is given without cost to you!*

People often ask: “How can you do it? How can you publish such a quality magazine without advertising, and without subscription price? The answer is, it is done by people who believe in that hope and want to be a part of it. As more and more people have come to recognize the challenge—to realize this great Work offers them an opportunity to have a *part* in actually saving the world—the number who have volunteered to become co-workers has increased. They are those who contribute financially in order that the world may receive this hope.

It is time to give recognition for the loving service, often at great personal sacrifice, by that small army of staff and volunteers. They have made it possible for you to hold this fine-quality magazine—*The Trumpet*, in your hands. These are the loyal workers and co-workers who, also, make possible the *Key of David* program.

There is an unseen STRONG HAND! There will be supernatural intervention to save humanity alive. And the revelation given mankind through this work by the Supreme Personage that wields that Strong Hand explains WHY so few laborers can do such a mighty work!

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A WORK OF HOPE
Gerald Flurry delivers a program from Jerusalem

We know that we have been given a very great mission. That mission is to awaken a drowsy, lethargic humanity to the fact that its WRONG WAYS are leading all humanity into a crisis that would mean the extinction of human life if the almighty God did not come to our rescue. We have been called to proclaim to the world the FACT that *the Creator is also the ruler over His creation*—that humanity as a whole has transgressed His laws and there-

fore brought on itself all the accumulated evils that now exist in this world.

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Maryland, Baltimore—WUTB 7:00 am, Sun

Massachusetts, Boston—WSBK 7:30 am, Sun**

Michigan, Detroit—WADL 9:00 am, Sun

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Missouri, Kansas City—KMCI 7:30 am, Sun

Montana, Billings—KHMT 7:00 am, Sun

New Mexico, Albuquerque—KOB 8:30 am, Sun

New Mexico, Farmington—KOBF 8:30 am, Sun

New York, Buffalo—WIVB 6:30 am, Sun

New York, New York City—WWOR 7:00 am, Sat

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North Carolina, Kannapolis—WAXN 8:00 am, Sun

Ohio, Cincinnati—WXIX 7:30 am, Sun

Oklahoma, Tulsa—KOKI 9:00 am, Sun

Oklahoma, Oklahoma City—KOCB 9:00 am, Sun**

Oregon, Portland—KPDX 7:30 am, Sun

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Texas, Dallas—KDFI 8:30 am, Sun

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Texas, San Antonio—KSAT6:30 am, Sun

Texas, Tyler—KLTV 10:30 am, Sun

Texas, Wichita Falls—KAUZ 9:00 am, Sun

Virginia, Richmond—WRIC 7:30 am, Sun

Virginia, Roanoke—WDRL 10:30 am, Sun

Washington, Seattle—KTZZ 9:30 am, Sun

Washington, Spokane—KAYU 7:30 am, Sun**

Washington D.C.—WTTG 7:30 am, Sun**

Wisconsin, Green Bay—WACY 8:00 am, Sun

Canada

Nationwide cable—KTLA 11:00 am ET, Sun

Nationwide cable—VISION Network 9:30 am ET, Sun

Nationwide cable—WGN 6:30 am ET, Sun

British Columbia—BCITV 11:30 am, Sun**

British Columbia, Kelowna—KHBC 11:30 am, Sun**

British Columbia, Kamloops—CFJC 11:30 am, Sun**

British Columbia, Prince George—CKPG 8:30 am, Sun

British Columbia, Vancouver—CHEK 9:00 am, Sun

New Brunswick—CIHF 7:00 am, Sun

Nova Scotia—CIHF 7:00 am, Sun

Prince Edward Island—CIHF 7:00 am, Sun

Quebec, Montreal—CKMI 11:00 am, Sun

Australia/New Zealand

Australia nationwide—Network 10 4:30 am, Sun

Adelaide Environs—ACE Channel 6, 7:00 pm Wed**

New South Wales—NRTV 4:30 am, Sun

Northern Territory—Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

Queensland—QTV 4:30 am, Sun

Queensland—Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

South New South Wales—Capital TV 4:30 am, Sun

Tasmania—Southern Cross 6:00 am, Sat**

Victoria—Ten Vic 4:30 am, Sun

Western Australia—Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

New Zealand—TV3 6:00 am, Fri

Caribbean

Bahamas—WGN 6:30 am, Sun

KTLA 11:00 am, Sun

WPLG 7:00 am, Mon

WFTV 10:30 am, Sun**

Grenada—CCN 7:30 am, Sun

Tobago—CCN 7:30 am, Sun

Trinidad—CCN 7:30 am, Sun

Africa/Middle East

Egypt—Starworld 12:00 am Sun**

Ethiopia—Starworld 12:00 am Sun**

Iran—Starworld 1:30 am Sun**

Iraq—Starworld 11:50 pm Sat**

Israel—Starworld 11:00 pm Sat**

Jordan—Starworld 12:00 am Sun**

Saudi Arabia—Starworld 12:00 am Sun**

Somalia—Starworld 12:00 am Sun**

Sudan—Starworld 11:00 pm Sat**

Asia

Cambodia—Starworld 4:00 am Sun**

Australia Television Int'l 7:30 am, Sun

China—Starworld 5:00 am Sun**

Australia Television Int'l 8:00 am, Sun

Fiji—FIJI TV 11:30 am, Sun**

Hong Kong—Starworld 5:00 am Sun**

Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

India—Starworld 2:30 am Sun**

Australia Television Int'l 6:00 am, Sun

Indonesia—Starworld 4:00 am Sun**

Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

Laos—Australia Television Int'l 7:30 am, Sun

Nauru—Australia Television Int'l 12:30 pm, Sun

Papua New Guinea—EMTV 7:30 am, Sun

Australia Television Int'l 10:30 am, Sun

Starworld 7:00 am Sun**

Philippines—IBC TV 7:00 am, Sun

Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

Starworld 5:00 am Sun**

Singapore—Australia Television Int'l 8:30 am, Sun

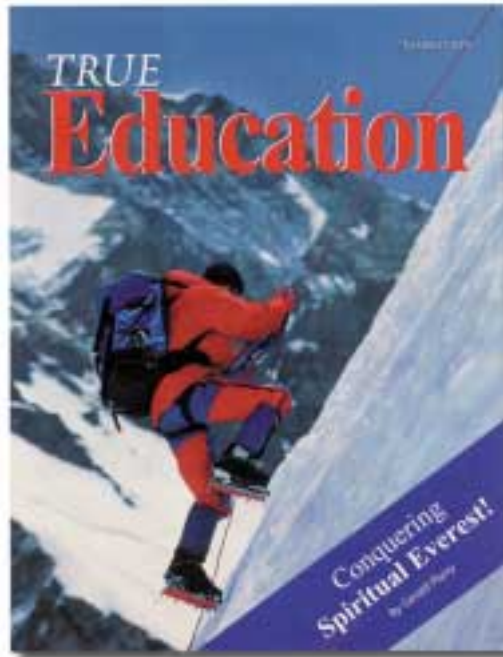
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