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America's Achilles' Heel

Most of us have heard of the story of Achilles, the warrior who was only vulnerable in his heel. America is the greatest superpower this world has ever known. But we have a very vulnerable point in our military—our own Achilles' heel. It is so dangerous that I am amazed it hasn't received more publicity.

Here is a quote from the *Intelligence Digest* of Cheltenham, England, by Joseph de Courcy, March 20, 1992

(emphasis mine): "We will be hearing a lot more about computer crime, computer terrorism, and computer warfare. Every moment of the day in modern, technological societies is dominated by computers. These computers are highly vulnerable to criminal, terrorist or enemy sabotage. For the moment, THE PUBLIC IS ONLY DIMLY AWARE OF EXACTLY HOW VULNERABLE A COMPUTER-RUN SOCIETY IS, whilst criminals, terrorists and would-be aggressors are only just beginning to understand the potential available to them. This will change...."

"Furthermore, every computer has a 'backdoor key,' by-passing access codes, for the convenience of the technical experts. Backdoor keys can be created by special instruction in order to ensure continued access regardless of changing security codes. NO COMPUTER SYSTEM IS TOTALLY SECURE, OR ANYWHERE NEAR IT...."

"One growing concern to Western security authorities is the *expanding, semi-underground*, NETWORK OF YOUNG COMPUTER HACKERS IN GERMANY. It is thought that some at least of these highly skilled computer wizards are ideologically motivated—or could become so. With their expertise, a terrorist organization could achieve a far greater impact on everyday life than has ever been achieved by conventional terrorism.

"As to the implications for defense, the Gulf War showed what a critical role technology now plays in warfare. But the course of a battle would be very different IF EFFECTIVE TECHNOLOGY-SABOTAGING MEASURES COULD BE INSTITUTED AGAINST THE SUPERIOR FORCE...."

"Computer dependence is the Western world's ACHILLES' HEEL, and WITHIN A FEW YEARS THIS WEAKNESS COULD BE TESTED TO THE FULL."

"For the moment, the public is only dimly aware of exactly how vulnerable a computer-run society is, whilst criminals, terrorists, and would-be aggressors are only just beginning to understand the potential available to them. This will change."

Joseph de Courcy

As Mr. De Courcy said, "NO COMPUTER SYSTEM IS TOTALLY SECURE, OR ANYWHERE NEAR IT"!

Germany is the first nation to have their own air force base in America. It's located in Alamogordo, New Mexico.

There are probably more German pilots being trained in the U.S. than there are from any other nation—most of it being done because of NATO. Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas, is one example. They are actively teaching and training German pilots how to operate U.S. war planes. An American heads the group. A German is *second* in command. Germany is LEARNING A GREAT DEAL ABOUT OUR MILITARY. Along with that, they are learning a lot about the modern-day computer technology that plays such a big role in U.S. military operations.

One of the major concerns of Western security authorities is about a "network of young computer hackers in Germany." That the computer hackers are from GERMANY should also send a warning message—especially if you understand German *history* and *Bible prophecy*.

Winston Churchill said Germany had a history of surprise attacks against enemies and nations who thought they were friends with Germany.

Who has an unparalleled history of destroying many nations in warfare? Germany has a long history of such conquests. They tried hard to conquer and rule the whole world in World Wars I and II.

We seem to have forgotten the history of Germany. Assuming the Germans are trustworthy military allies, or *lovers* (Bible terminology), is going to be a FATAL DELUSION!

One of the main reasons we won World War II was because the British broke German *radio code*. We knew about most of their war plans in advance! Quite a gigantic advantage. Some experts think we would have lost the war without that knowledge.

We could lose the next war before we even begin, if somebody breaks *our* military codes.

A powerful Germany is disturbing many people as it once again bullies Europe. Is America being exposed to a great risk in its love affair with Germany?

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DANGEROUS NEW WORLD

WHO WILL FILL THE POWER VOID?

BY JOEL HILLIKER

NATO'S WAR IN KOSOVO has wrought a firestorm of blistering controversy worldwide. And the brunt of it is falling squarely on the United States.

Russia has dealt America slap after slap over Kosovo. Formal Russian protests began immediately, along with conspicuous support for Slobodan Milosevic. Russia kicked NATO reps out of Moscow, dispatched a spy ship to the Adriatic to monitor the U.S. fleet, threatened to send military supplies to Belgrade, boycotted NATO's 50th anniversary party in Washington. The citizenry has united behind its government for the first time in years, and the impetus is just this: Down with the West. (The U.S., meanwhile, has practically fawned over Russia, making plain its wishes for Russia to broker the peace deal with Belgrade—to the point now where the IMF just gave them another \$2 billion.)

The war has dealt a major blow to America's shaky relations with China. China has been adamantly against NATO's campaign from the beginning, but the U.S.'s accidental bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade on May 7 was a deal-breaker. It further un-

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covered an already seething global anti-Americanism—people, especially Chinese, spouting, “I want to kill Americans!” (It also put the United States again in the weak position of having to apologize to the international community for mistakes in the Yugoslav campaign.)

Even Jordan, a moderate, pro-Western Muslim nation with every reason to support intervention on behalf of the Muslim Kosovar Albanians, has been critical. “If NATO's aim was to protect civilians with air strikes, the alliance made a tragic miscalculation,” said the *Jordan Times*.

The Yugoslav conflict has even exacerbated deep division within Washington itself. Confusion reigned in Congress as they wrestled over whether the U.S. should fight, whether to send ground troops, how much to finance the military. And with every doubt and degrading self-examination on public



display, the United States presented itself to the world as a country that can't agree internally how committed it is to waging war.

IN THE WORLD'S EYES, NATO HAS FAILED. THE UNITED STATES HAS FAILED. And nations are seizing the chance, biting into America's reputation with piranha-like ferocity.

We may completely set aside questions of whether or not the attacks are justified and still arrive at a chilling conclusion: What we are seeing is unprecedented. Kosovo marks the beginning of a new era.

The United States has been reluctant to use its power decisively since the Second World War. It is possible that now, in the face of failures in Kosovo, it may be skittish about using its power at all. Whether that is the case or not, the dynamics of this presently uni-polar world are lurching violently. Increasingly bold challenges to American su-

premacy are coming from several quarters. The post-cold-war era of the lone superpower U.S. has proved to be nothing more than an interregnum, a temporary anomaly.

Nature abhors a vacuum. When we speak of today's "dangerous new world," we primarily are talking about the power vacuum being created by an ever-weaker America and Britain—a vacuum which will be filled by nations with far-from-benign intent.

OF ALL THE BACKLASH FROM THE WAR IN Kosovo, the most worrisome has come out of Europe.

Though the job of absorbing criticism for a failed offensive in Yugoslavia seems to have fallen on the U.S., when it comes to dictating NATO policy, Germany has ruled the roost. Relying on U.S. military strength, it is Germany that has been the primary force behind NATO attacks. It is German interests which are best

FAR LEFT

U.S. Fighting Falcons fly into Yugoslavia; the Chinese embassy in Belgrade after the U.S. bombing; Serbian protesters storm the U.S. consulate in Vancouver.

CENTER

Chinese protest the embassy bombing.

BELOW

Russians protest NATO strikes by burning a British flag.



served by weakening Serbia.

Now that its aims in the present offensive have largely been realized, Germany is preparing for the next. When that comes, Germany doesn't want to have to involve the U.S. Already it is pushing hard for an *independent* European military force.

Consider these details of NATO's "new strategic concept," formalized during its 50th-year summit in April—deep in the midst of the Yugoslav war. The stated intent now is to reduce the present 19 decision-making voices within NATO to around three or four—by making Europe a single voice. By removing the sovereignty of individual European members and integrating their military structures, NATO would "prevent the renationalization of defense policies." (This month, the EU will actually appoint a high-profile political figure to act as a single voice for the Union's foreign policy.)

Add to this the seeds planted within Article 30 which the *Trumpet* discussed last month (p. 16) for Europe to be able to draw on NATO resources to pursue objectives the U.S. isn't interested in. That practically makes the Atlantic alliance a poor disguise for an independent Euroforce.

And further, consider that the new strategic concept cites virtually any reason you care to name as cause for use of NATO force, over a much wider territory

than has ever been considered its responsibility. "The new strategic concept represents madness on a colossal (*perhaps we should say Imperial scale*)" (*Intelligence Digest*, April 30).

Concurrent with these developments has been the sudden renewal of interest in the long-dormant military arm of the EU, the Western European Union (WEU). "Alarmed by their dependence on the United States in NATO's military campaign against Serbia, European ministers vowed [May 11] to develop a robust common defense policy," reported the *New York Times*. Though the WEU has long been asleep, "a combination of the crisis in Kosovo...and a growing German determination to play an active security role in Europe appear to have led to a decisive shift of mood that may bring concrete results."

This month, the WEU, comprising over 40 nations but largely directed by the EU member nations, meets at its headquarters in Brussels to submit a plan for a European defense and security force to EU leaders for ratification.

With Germany in the driver's seat, currently holding

the presidency of both the EU and G8 and being the strongest proponent of the WEU, there is little doubt that the plan will be rushed through the EU vote and fully approved. This being the case, the EU could be in a position to have in place its own combined military by December 2000.

Though NATO may currently be a convenient means to a militarily tough Europe, we can be sure that any alliance between Europe and the U.S. is bound to dissolve, and quickly; the EU will soak up NATO resources for its own purposes. Whatever the mechanism, the bottom line is that EUROPE WILL BE THE NEXT MILITARY POWERHOUSE OF THE WORLD, AND A GREAT DEAL OF THE GROUNDWORK HAS ALREADY BEEN LAID.

It is just as *Trumpet* editor-in-chief Gerald Flurry wrote last month: "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." The war isn't even over yet, and already we're seeing just that.

THERE IS A GROWING, BUT SMALL, body of politicians, commentators and analysts expressing grave misgivings over these issues. The chain of events the watershed war over Kosovo has started is merely making them more plain to those with the eyes to see.

While some few are waking up to the alarm today, Herbert W. Armstrong, as editor in chief of *The Plain Truth* magazine (circulation 8 million in 1986) forecast many of these very problems as long as half a century ago. When Germany lay prostrate in the ashes of World War II, he told everyone they would rise again. As Europe sat dazed and fractured at war's end, he prophesied of their unification. As America and Britain gloried in their victory, he told them they had just won their last war.

Over five decades, Mr. Armstrong warned the world that a European military, economic and political combine would rise up to dominate the world scene for a brief period at the climax approach-

ing the close of this present age of man.

Why has it taken half a century for the most expert analytical minds to catch up with Mr. Armstrong? Because he used a source of intelligence none of them ever tapped: that of revealed biblical prophecy. The Creator God of the Universe says he will do nothing without first revealing his intentions (Amos 3:7-8). That he *has done*, as current events are bearing out.

Following Mr. Armstrong's death and the complete change in format of the magazine which he founded, the *Trumpet* magazine has continued in his tradition. But there is an important distinction: He wrote about what was yet to happen; today, much of what he predicted is PRESENTLY HAPPENING. In many ways, where Mr. Armstrong prophesied of future events, we are merely giving *current* events their proper significance.

That is how *close* we are to the ringing down of this present age! And still the world at large is almost wholly unaware of what is about to occur. Despite the tumult of change and clamor of irreconcilable interests worldwide, people carelessly assume, with irresponsible, unfounded optimism, that mankind will somehow work things out.

He will not! In fact, the Bible says unequivocally that if God Himself did not intervene to stop him, mankind would annihilate himself! (Matt. 24:21-22). The fact that God *will* intervene is the only hope for a world bent on its own destruction. But it is a sure hope!

You must not ignore these momentous global shifts, nor should you fail to understand them. The *Trumpet* is your guide. Your early-warning news source.

This issue of the *Trumpet*, the second of a two-part special report, "Dangerous New World," discusses the current fall of the United States and Britain—the *who, how* and *why*. It will help you to understand the significance. It will show you the alliance now building that will forcibly supplant the world's present superpower. And, as further proof of the urgency of these times, this *Trumpet* highlights the already evident rise of the power that will subsequently challenge that European alliance.

The inexorable march of end-time events is *happening*. The years ahead will be full of horrifying shocks to a world asleep. We urge you to prepare yourself by taking the *Trumpet* seriously—and acting upon what you read. ♦



JOEL HILLIKER

UNITED STATES and BRITAIN

DIVIDED WE FALL

THINGS FALL APART: In the long history of Britain and the relatively short history of the American nation, governments have come and gone with regularity. Yet, never in their post Cold-War histories have they faced such bitter division within their elected governing bodies as over the Kosovo crisis. Why? And where is it all leading?

BY RON FRASER

IT WAS JOHN DICKINSON, COMPOSER OF THE LIBERTY SONG, WHO penned the words in 1768, "Then join in hand, brave Americans all—by uniting we stand, by dividing we fall." Since then, the latter phrase has become a cliché.

As we survey the post-cold-war, post-presidential-impeachment, shortly to be post-Kosovo condition of the most powerful nation on earth, the words of John Dickinson's refrain seem quite haunting. For, never in the recent history of the United States has so much division riven the country's political parties, most particularly the conservative wing, traditionally protectors of morals, values, law, order and that basic building block of society, the family unit.

Across the Atlantic, in the United Kingdom, the same phenomenon prevails in the British "center left" government, but even more so in the ranks of its Conservative Party. The Tories, historically the traditional royalists, protectors of ancient heritage, bastions of business, upholders of morality and honor, are bitterly divided in many quarters, seemingly unable to mount a coherent resistance to the perceived destructive forces of socialism that continue to eat away at the British national character.

Why are these two nations, which have so dominated international politics over the past 200 years, so fractious and divided politically at this time?

If we analyze each one, we shall find a common thread which runs through each nation. It runs through Britain, ancient kingdom of seafaring, peace-loving and historically gentle folk. It runs through the United States of America, in her third century as a nation, a nation which once held out its arms to the world and cried, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free."

Let us consider each in turn, ponder their present state, and judge the outcome toward which each of these nations is inevitably headed.

UNITED STATES

THE PAST TEN YEARS HAVE BEEN A roller-coaster ride for the greatest single nation on earth. With the lowering of the red flag from the Kremlin on December 25, 1991, the United States stood alone as the world's singular superpower. Previous to that, following the iron curtain clanging shut in 1949, splitting the political continent of Europe East from West through the heart of Germany, the world scene was dominated by two great nations. To the east, Russia and her Union of Soviet Socialist Republics held sway. The United States of America, supported by its traditional Western allies, dominated the Western world.

Then, in the spring of 1985, under the leadership of Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet Union started to present to the West a façade very different to that which had dominated their foreign policy since the revolution of 1917. This began the era in the Soviet Union which was to be termed by Gorbachev "perestroika," meaning *restructuring*, and "glasnost," implying more open government. Looking back on this era of fresh rapport between Russia and America, it is interesting to note that in his national bestseller, simply titled *Perestroika*, Gorbachev specifically highlighted the audience he wished to influence with this startling new concept. In the foreword to the book he writes, "In writing this book it has been my desire to address directly the peoples of the USSR, the United States, indeed every country." Note that it is the *United States* which he specifically singles out.

This book, first published in 1987, rocketed to the top of the American best-seller lists. Curiously, in a series of now-published memoranda to the CIA, ex-Soviet agent Anatoly Golitsyn, who defected to the West in 1961, warned the U.S. administration of the prospect of the USSR initiating a Gorbachev-style façade of overtures to America and its allies in order to lull them into a false sense of security, while the Russian communists restructured economically for the final phase of their plan for world domination.



We quote here from a memorandum sent by Golitsyn to the CIA on July 4, 1984: “The Soviet strategists may replace the old leader, Konstantin Chernenko, who is actually only a figurehead, with a younger Soviet leader who was chosen some time ago as his successor, named Comrade Gorbachev. One of Gorbachev’s primary tasks will be to carry out the so-called liberalization” (Anatoliy Golitsyn, *The Perestroika Deception*, p. 183).

A clear two years prior to Gorbachev’s *Perestroika* being published in the U.S. and other Western countries, Golitsyn wrote to the CIA in January 1985 warning of the developing strategy of the Soviet Union: “Now the Soviets can proceed with the implementation of their New Economic Policy and liberalization in the USSR under Gorbachev and can proceed with the next phase of their strategy in Poland—the creation of a coalition government made up of representatives of the Communist Party, priests and solidarity. Now they can resume their diplomatic offensive against West Germany...to lead to the reunification of Germany and the break-up of the NATO alliance.... The Soviet strategists’ primary interim objectives will include the following:

- To divide the American nation.
- To increase pressure for defense cuts.
- To increase tension between the United States and its allies.
- To reactivate the anti-military movements in Britain and West Germany.
- To reactivate the nuclear freeze movement in the United States” (ibid., p. 185).

With the *perestroika* deception in place, all Russia needed was a compliant administration in the U.S. They made few inroads with the Reagan administration, some little headway with the Bush administration and have since made giant leaps in taking advantage of the current center-left Democratic administration in Washington. A case in point is the current Kosovo crisis.

It worked like this: Germany, the real “peace broker” under the table in the Kosovo crisis, was desperate to get Russia and America together to conclude a deal which would patch together a “peace process” for Serbia, Kosovo and Albania. Milosevic could not afford to lose his old ally Russia. Without Russia’s support, he’s out in the cold.

THIS WAR IS BEING PLAYED OUT by the U.S. like a child playing a video game. Stand your distance, press a button, see the flash on the screen, switch off and walk away.



HIGH ALTITUDE WARFARE
F-16 Falcons refuel in midair over northern Bosnia.

Russia needs money, truckloads of it, to help restore its ailing economy. But the IMF, miffed at Russia salting away “billions” of “missing” aid, had taken a stand in January to not give any further aid to Russia until that country showed real proof of economic reform. Well, as they say, money talks. Realizing that the only way to get the Russians to bend to the West’s demands to lean on Milosevic and help NATO save face in the Kosovo crisis, the U.S. squeezed the IMF and suddenly came up with an offer of a couple of billion dollars to Russia.

That’s how deals are done in the age of center-left Western democracies. The result? Russia gains prestige on the world stage as it works to cobble together its old empire. Milosevic will be contained but saves face with his people and awaits the aid which the West will throw at Yugoslavia to restructure its war-torn economy. Germany wins, hands down, by strengthening its presence in Albania and gaining a foothold in Serbia, thus inching its hegemony eastward. The Albanian economy wins

big-time; the UN regains a little of its battered prestige.

And the losers? *America* primarily, with *Britain* runner-up. So America’s pride takes a belly-blow, and her old isolationist tendencies well up as she licks her wounds and creeps home; albeit, her “flower power” educated administration whimpers a false cry of victory as they leave behind the whole sad and sorry mess, easy pickings for the rising Europower.

As the *Spectator* recently mused, “We now know how Liberals conduct a war.” In a matter of months, the U.S. has slipped from superpower status to perhaps great power status. It still possesses great power. But two petty dictators of two small nations, Iraq and Serbia, have proven that America no longer has the capacity or the will to use its might in defense of right to the point of victory. America is not willing to shed blood to protect and sustain the values for which it fought and bled to ultimate victory in two great world wars.

“Serbia’s Milosevic...must believe that the United States have lost their fighting spirit.... It is hard to imagine the nation that was born of the endeavors of Paul Revere and the Minutemen is the same modern America.... War is blood and sacrifice, especially if a nation wants to remain a great power capable of preserving its way of life” (*The Spectator*, April 28).

We predicted in our September-October 1998 edition that *Kosovo* would be the *crisis point of Western leadership*. Now we see the result. “Make love—not war,” they cried in the ’60s. It’s the ’60s generation, matured in the flower-power mentality, which leads the U.S., Britain and NATO, which dominates the thinking of the foreign-policy strategists of the West, which drew 19 nations into supporting this ill-thought-out adventure in the Balkans.

A House Divided

The Democrats were in disarray. Should we continue to bomb Kosovo, should we not? Should we send in ground troops, should we not? The same confusion reigned in Republican ranks. As soon as the bombs began to rain down on Serbia, a high-volume squabble erupted within the Republican and conservative arena.

Why should we wonder that such confusion reigns? It is patently obvious

FLOWER-POWER WAR

Yesterday's doves fly off to war

to the general public that under the cloak of NATO, the U.S. is at war with Yugoslavia. It is certainly obvious to Slobodan Milosevic! It is most obvious to 6 million Serbs in Yugoslavia! Yet the American administration and NATO leaders cannot bring themselves to use the word "war" in the context of this horrible little affair. It is termed a *conflict*, a *campaign*, an *operation*, *air strikes*, anything other than its singular defining term—*war*! No wonder both sides of the House are divided. Was there ever an attack on a perceived "enemy" where the protagonist declared its goal was to "degrade" the power of the antagonist? What does it mean to "degrade" the opposition? This is a new term invented by center-leftist spin-doctors who can't face up to the fact that blood and guts are spilled in warfare.

This war is being played out by the U.S. like a child playing a video game. Stand your distance, press a button, see the flash on the screen, switch off and walk away. Meanwhile, the real losers in this Balkan war, the masses of displaced Albanians and the disrupted Serbian population, are sacrificed on the altar of political convenience. The plain fact is that the U.S. administration saw the Balkan situation as subject to a quick fix. Get in, hit Milosevic, he backs off, we claim victory and everyone goes home, with Kosovo secured for its Albanian majority population. But the U.S. hit Milosevic and he didn't back off. There will be no U.S. victory; Kosovo will remain insecure till the end of the age. There was no plan B. This must go down in history as the most ill-thought-out "campaign" ever mounted by a U.S. administration, perhaps even surpassing the Bay of Pigs fiasco during the Kennedy administration.

So! Kosovo turned into a crisis for the U.S. administration. "Now, Clinton is in the grip of a crisis with undeniably large implications—the fate of hundreds of thousands of Kosovo Albanians and the credibility of the NATO alliance—in which anything short of clear victory would be a policy disaster that no amount of political gloss could disguise" (*The Washington Post*, April 26).

The point is, not only has Kosovo become a crisis for the U.S., as we predicted in our September-October 1998 edition, it has become the *crisis point* for Western leadership.

NATO'S LEADERS ARE BOUND BY A COMMON HISTORY—THEIR LIBERAL YOUTH. Men who fought against the very institutions, offices and policies traditionally espoused by their national governments and underpinned by their countries' constitutions are *today* the very individuals who reside in those institutions, hold those offices and enact those policies. Yesterday's war protesters are today's war promoters. These leaders have ushered in the age of flower-power war.

U.S. President Bill Clinton was directly involved in the famed Georgetown University protests against the Vietnam War. His avoidance of the draft (a sore point among many U.S. military top brass) has been clearly documented. Georgetown students are apathetic when questioned about their alumni President's actions. Today's students simply don't care. Offspring of '60s-educated administrators, they have truly become the "turned-off" generation.

It was actually during the McGovern anti-war campaign under the slogan "Bring America Home" that Mr. Clinton met Sandy Berger. Berger is now National Security Adviser to his old anti-war activist comrade. In the seven years they have worked together, they have ordered 28 military deployments. That's an 18-fold increase over the frequency of deployments ordered by all seven U.S. presidents from 1945-1990.

British Prime Minister Tony Blair was lead singer of the rock group "Ugly Rumours" in the 1970s. He also opposed any deployment of troops or military action in the Vietnam War. In 1975 he moved into political office and staged his campaign on an anti-war policy. Blair, who used the "Clintonesque" blueprint of center-liberal politics to gain Britain's top civil job, has worked hand in glove with the U.S. in both the Mideast and Balkan quagmires.

Germany's Chancellor, Gerhard Schröder, was also opposed in his younger days to the Vietnam War. He rose through the ranks of Germany's socialist party voicing loud opposition to the deployment of nuclear missiles in Europe. In 1982, a young, very drunk German MP stood outside Chancellor Helmut Kohl's official residence, shook the steel gates and shouted "Let me in!" Seventeen years later, that same politician is Germany's commander in chief.

In Spain, Javier Solana protested his country's very involvement in NATO. In 1964 he joined Spain's socialist party and in 1977 was elected to parliament in Spain's first democratic elections. Today, it may come as a shock to many that after protesting his country's involvement in NATO, Solana now holds NATO's top job, that of secretary general.

The liberal-socialist glue that knits together these flower-power leaders has provided the bond which has maintained their seemingly illogical approach to allied military campaigns in the '90s. The paradox is that the very policies these former doves opposed are now policies that they themselves struggle to implement as they fly off to war.

Anciently the prophet Isaiah foretold of our time when powerful politicians, military personnel, government advisers and eloquent spokesmen would be removed (Isa. 3:2-3).

As long as liberal-socialist leadership continues in the policy of self-righteous flower-power warfare waged for short-term political gain—as long as American and British leadership is seen internationally to be lacking the will to use their full fire power for CLEAR-CUT goals and pursue those goals to ALL-OUT VICTORY—flower-power war promises to backfire in an unprecedented fashion.

GARETH FRASER



Clinton



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BRITAIN

AS MANY PUNDITS HAVE PUT IT, THE current leadership in Britain and the U.S. is not much interested in history. For the U.S. leadership, “war” is Vietnam. For the British leadership, it is the Falklands or the Gulf. Both the present British and U.S. governments have leaders who have no concept of the reality of the First and Second World Wars.

Similar to the U.S., the British tend to avoid the term “war” in association with the Balkan conflict. As Prime Minister Tony Blair informed the British public on April 13, in respect of the Kosovo crisis, Britain is involved in “military action for a moral purpose” (*The Spectator*, April 17).

The point is, we have a generation of leaders, in the U.S. and Britain, who have led 19 nations to commit to a war against Yugoslavia “for a moral purpose.” The problem we struggle with is defining that moral purpose. What is it? Is it to stop “ethnic cleansing” by Serbs of Albanians in Kosovo? If so, why did we not intervene to stop the rapacious, drug-running Kosovo Liberation Army from “ethnically cleansing” over 1000 Serbs in Kosovo in 1987? Why was the Croatian “ethnic cleansing” of Serbs, earlier this decade, largely hushed up and written out of Western journalists’ accounts of those horrors to become unmentionable by the current crop of leaders in the West? Where’s the consistency of moral purpose in all this? Something is amiss. Where is the sense of morality that a smiling British prime minister insists is the reason he has readily joined Britain with America in leading this grubby war against Yugoslavia?

The confusion in the ranks of the British Upper and Lower Houses on both left and right is reflected in Bruce Anderson’s comment: “This war is a mess. Inasmuch as they even had objectives, our ministers have regularly discarded them, inventing new ones as they go along.” Claiming that the confused British government has “ignored every historical precedent” in going about this war, Anderson seizes on a common thread of explanation for this U.S. and British division in their leaders’ ranks over the Kosovo crisis: “But we now have a post-historical set of ministers, for whom the world began in 1994, and who have no knowledge of or

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Bruce Anderson

interest in the dim, distant pre-Blairite past” (*The Spectator*, April 10).

In a cynical headline to this article, *The Spectator* declared, “Mr. Blair’s War Policy: Staying 25 Percent Ahead of the Tories.”

Is that what it has come to? Is that *how* and *why* center-left liberal, anti-Vietnam, flower-power, “make love—not war” politicians of our day approach war? If that be so, and much evidence has been put forward in this age of media-spin to support that, then Britain has fallen far from the days of her erstwhile Esther-like leader, Margaret Thatcher. In a piece published in an earlier edition of *The Spectator*, Bruce Anderson mused, “At the beginning of the Falklands war, Margaret Thatcher agonized for some hours before deciding to commit our forces. In contrast, President Clinton and Mr. Blair went to war in the most casual manner; we are now seeing the consequences of their insouciance. As for morality, a junior American officer once made an unwise comment during the Vietnam War. To save the village of An Loc, he said, we had to destroy it. NATO’s policy in Serbia/Kosovo is moral, in the sense that An Loc was saved.”

Far from this whole Balkans fiasco—from the earlier Bosnia debacle to the recent Kosovo crisis—being approached from a truly moral perspective, many arguments could be put to the contrary. Margaret Thatcher comments in her biography on “how the West’s moral failure allowed the rise of Hitler and the war which followed” (*The Path to Power*, p. 30). As far as Britain’s contribution to this moral failure, Thatcher pins this down to “the Left [who] were setting the political agenda throughout the ’30s and ’40s, even though the leadership of Churchill concealed it during the years of war itself” (ibid., p. 28). She alludes to the

Left’s tendency for “skillful sleight of hand,” encouraged by left-wing intellectuals penetrating and taking over the country’s traditional seats of learning.

This takeover of academia by liberal-socialists consummated, as in America, in the student revolution of the ’60s. “Looking back, it is extraordinary that so much notice should have been taken of the kindergarten Marxism and ego-central demands which characterized it.... These rootless young people lacked both the authority which had been imposed on their predecessors in the 1950s and the discipline which the need to qualify for a good job would place on students in the ’80s” (ibid., p. 186).

From this generation has sprung today’s leaders in Britain and America. The generation which tore down that moral base of British and American society (the same moral base which underpinned these great nations’ drive to victory over national-socialist oppression in the greatest war known to man 54 years ago) now would have us believe that they are involved in an aggressive “campaign” against Serbia on moral grounds. *Whose morals?* Could we please have a description of the moral principles for which the British and U.S. governments fight against Serbia? By their own behavior, these leaders demonstrate that they certainly do not stand for the moral tenets of Britain and America upon which their societies fought two great world wars. *Whose moral standards apply?* From their respective government policies one can glean that these moral standards which compel us to war are those standards which promote perverted lifestyles, murder in the womb, same-sex marriages, the lowering of age for consensual homosexual relationships, the emasculation of the male gender, the feminization of society and the neutering of all gender forms in language—and that’s just for starters! Is that the sort of society American and British leadership in their sanctimonious, center-left self-righteousness would fight to impose on Kosovo, to force Slobodan Milosevic and the Serb nation to subscribe to?

Confusion! Strife! *Division!* That’s the fruit of this current crop of leaders in Britain and America. And it’s all polished up by the spin-doctors of the age, experts in their line of sleight of hand in the age of win-at-all costs domestic politics.

A Matter of Trust

Dr. George Friedman, chairman of Stratfor Systems and a political science expert, tends to pin down the current leadership vacuum in the U.S. to a simple matter of trust—or rather lack thereof. “Dwight Eisenhower had no problem landing troops in Lebanon in 1959, achieving what he wanted to achieve, and withdrawing them,” he said. Dwight Eisenhower was *trusted* by the American people.

“The problem with the leaders since Eisenhower, with the exception of Reagan, who was able to do these things, is that our presidents are simply *not trusted*. You know, you talk about the moral connection between character and behavior.... Well, [the current American administration] cannot be *trusted* to make the correct judgment in the simplest matter, and therefore...has

no credibility in the broader ones....

“The reason the founders selected a republican form of government was the assumption that our leaders would have to take steps that are not fully understood by the people.... And the notion of republican virtue was that these men were wise and decent men, who could be *trusted* to take issues that you and I are not fully competent to discuss, and act wisely. And the problem with [the current administration] is that no one, [not even its] closest defender, would say that this is a [leadership] with moral instincts, that allows us to suspend judgment on anything.”

America is in the process of withdrawal from its position as global policeman. Terrorists have learned that a bomb placed near a U.S. embassy, or even a threat to bomb a U.S. con-

sulate, will result in closure and withdrawal by the U.S. This happened in the wake of the bombing of the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania. Under threat, the U.S. simply closed down and fled their embassies in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Kampala and Uganda. The world’s greatest power cannot be trusted to hold its ground, stand and fight in overt resistance to any terrorist menace.

Yet, this administration in America, which turns pale at the sight of any blood spilled by an American boy in battle, will not blanch one whit at the slaughter of 31 million American-conceived lives in the wombs of its mothers on its own national soil! It just doesn’t make sense!

DISUNITED KINGDOM

SCOTLAND SUCCESSFULLY VOTED FOR ITS OWN PARLIAMENT and Wales for its own national assembly last month. These initiatives of Britain’s center-left government now place the future of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as a coherent political entity, at grave risk.

The union of Wales with England in the 1500s, followed by Scotland in 1707, gave to this island nation’s peoples a combined strength of will and common purpose, founded upon the most ancient traditions of their Israelite forebears. A unity of will and purpose which staved off attacks from the might of Spain and France in their heydays and brought them through to victory in two great world wars. Devolution is indeed the trump card in the hand of those who, for reasons best known to themselves, have schemed for decades to destroy the last vestiges of the greatest empire and commonwealth the world has ever known. Finally, Great Britain has a government which the people voted into power on a platform to devolve parliamentary power away from Westminster, mother of all parliaments, to the separate nations comprising the United Kingdom. Not only that—this present British government has a determination to eliminate the upper house of Parliament in its present and ancient form as the House of Lords. A specific initiative, eliminating the right of hereditary peers to vote in the House of Lords, faces implementation by the current government. The hereditary peers generally hail from ancient families of landed gentry whose commercial, military and administrative abilities led the way in building the British Empire.

In his revisionist rendition of the rise and fall of the British Empire, author Lawrence James writes, “Few empires have equipped their systems with the intellectual wherewithal to overthrow their rulers” (*The Rise and Fall of the British Empire*, p. 629).

It does seem that, having not only sown but reaped the seeds which dismantled her far-flung empire, Great Britain is



BACK IN BUSINESS Scotland’s Parliament, open for the first time in three centuries.

now about to reap the fruit of the seeds it willingly sowed at home in the “swinging sixties.” The Carnaby Street set, educated to question, challenge, divide and annul every tradition of the heritage of this ancient British race, has its heart set on dividing up the very foundational Union upon which those last vestiges of wealth, peace and power, presently enjoyed by its population, were built.

Oddly enough, the British prime minister, in an obtuse statement, recently declared that by giving Scotland its first Parliament since union with England in 1707, he believes this will quell Scottish nationalism by resolving the Scots’ demands for more say in their own affairs. This reflects typical woolly-headed liberal-socialist thinking. No person in history has ever yet demonstrated how any act of division can lead to a maintenance of unity.

A prime consideration in the devolution process is the party in opposition, the Scottish National Party, wedded as it is to the specific objective of full independence from the UK. Should they prove an effective opposition in representing the interests of their constituents and the Scottish nation, they could well be voted in at the next Scottish elections. They would then be in a position to hold a referendum for Scotland’s divorce from the Union.

While England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland held together as a United Kingdom, they proved invincible to European invasion. A British government now intent on breaking up this union is simply blind to this history. A history which will return to bite it very hard in the not-too-distant future.

Vatican/Germany Link

With the main players in this Balkan war, the U.S. and Britain, dragging along with them the baggage of NATO to legitimize their role, in such disarray at their policy-formulation level, what is it going to take to bring the Kosovo crisis to conclusion? Already it is apparent that a seemingly unlikely “menage a trois” comprising Russia, Germany and the Vatican will influence the cobbling together of yet another patchwork, ill-fitting “peace process” in the Balkans. Consider the following.

The quiet players behind the scenes are the Vatican and Germany. Yet they are involved, and up to their neck in it. The pope even recently said the Vatican had been busy working for a solution to the Kosovo crisis. Germany’s role came to the surface in April when they proposed a peace plan. It resurfaced at the Group of Eight talks in May when Joschka Fischer publicly read a peace proposal to which they were actively seeking to draw both Russians and Americans into agreement.

On the religious connection, Eastern Orthodox patriarchs visited Milosevic in April to influence efforts for a settlement to the Kosovo crisis. Then on May 6 Pope John Paul II visited Romania, an Eastern Orthodox country, the first pope to do so for 1000 years! That was a historical occasion. Why? Why now?

Readers of this magazine will know that we have long supported the view of Herbert W. Armstrong,



John Paul II

§ founded upon prophetic scriptural evidence, that the coming European federal government would exhibit both eastern and western legs (Dan. 2:41). No one has worked harder than this aging and ailing Polish pope, Karol Wojtyla, John Paul II, to weld together

the Eastern buffer states, lying west of the Caucasus, to Western Europe. In his recent visit to Romania, John Paul stated, “Thank God, after the winter of Communist domination, a springtime of hope has begun.” Expect to see the pope take on a more aggressive and higher profile role in cementing relations between Eastern and Western



UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF NATO, GERMANY HAS, OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, OBTAINED complete acceptance by the West of the deployment of both its ground and air forces in combat roles. Not only that, it now seems that the Kosovo conflict will gain for Germany that which it has sought all along in the Balkans: a warm-water port.

Tirana, a deep-water port on the coast of Albania in the warm Adriatic Sea, is the plum. The port of Tirana, located near the junction of the Adriatic and Mediterranean Seas, is within closest proximity of any port in either sea to the largest concentration of ballistic and anti-ballistic weaponry in the entire Mediterranean region. As Germany quietly performs its duty as a loyal NATO member, the U.S. and Britain plus the NATO allies busily reconstruct Albania’s infrastructure. Albania will become the main base of operations for the peace-keeping forces in Yugoslavia. The trade-off is the huge benefit to its weakened ex-Maoist economy. When the U.S. and NATO withdraw, their place taken in the future by the coming Euroforce which will be initiated by the EU within the terms of the Maastricht Treaty (fully ratified in May), the German-led EU will take over all of the infrastructure put in place and maintained to that point largely by U.S. and British tax-payers’ money in support of their defense contribution to lame-duck NATO.

Game, set and match to Germany. Germany: the peace-broker in Kosovo, the future administrator of Kosovo and of the whole Balkan Peninsula—the lead nation in the Eurocombine shortly to rule the European continent and extend its powerful reach globally to impact all nations (Rev. 13).

Europe as the Vatican reacts to current Russian efforts to rebuild its old empire.

German Peace Moves

Without the biblical perspective of God-breathed prophecy for these turbulent times which we are living through as we approach the nexus of the end of one millennium on the Roman calendar and the start of another, little sense can be made of world events. However, with the vision of inspired biblical prophecy, we can readily see the motives and read the inevitable outcome of such events as are occurring right now in the Balkans.

As our editor in chief wrote in his article in our May edition, “The Unseen Danger in Kosovo,” today’s Germany is ancient Assyria in modern

clothes. Germany is destined to lead a power bloc in Europe which will dominate world affairs for 3½ years. Following this world dominance, Russia, joined with China, will loom on the horizon and sweep down upon this fractious ten-nation European power bloc, on into the Middle East, in preparation for what Saddam Hussein never dreamed of when he uttered the phrase, the “mother of all wars” (Rev. 16:16).

The current, albeit laborious, seemingly confused and lumbering efforts of a domestically embattled Russian power bloc, painfully sticking back together its old empire, will continue. Its nuclear power, though rusting and ill-secured, is still breathtaking in its scope and extent of deployment. And Kosovo has provided the spark to ignite the flames of Russian nationalism such that

the perception of aggression by a “war-mongering” United States of America on a “helpless” Yugoslavia is enough to stir anti-U.S. sentiment within Russia to a point unheard of under the precarious peace of the cold war. *Russia is back*, albeit economically wounded, and swallowing its pride momentarily, to be used at the behest of “peacemaker” Germany, as the means of motivating Slobodan Milosevic to front the negotiating table and get NATO off the Kosovo hook.

With Russia looming again on the horizon across the Polish plain, Germany gets the jitters. Germany will never trust NATO in a European adventure again. Apart from this, Germany has never, ever trusted Russia! So—revive the old Ribbentrop-Molotov pact! In 1939 the German foreign minister negotiated a non-aggression pact with Russia. We believe that a similar pact will soon be concluded between Russia and Germany.

Russia is concerned at Germany’s eastward push, under the umbrella of the European Union extending membership to Eastern European states, formerly members of the Soviet Union. Germany in turn is concerned at Russia’s resurgence and its increased initiatives in the affairs of the Ukraine, Belarus and the Caucasus region. Germany will want to secure an undertaking from Russia which clearly delineates the limits to Russia’s westward push. Russia will seek like security of mind by obtaining a clear understanding as to where Germany’s subtly initiated eastward hegemony will stop.

End Game

So, how did we get to this position just ten years on from the cessation of the cold war? Well, those socialists who took the Italian Communist Gramsci at his word and sought to turn the minds of a whole generation from traditional values to possession of the mind by philosophies and tenets expounding the very *opposite* of biblical morality, the traditional family unit and the rule of law, certainly contributed greatly to the education of the “baby boom” generation. Of such is our current crop of leaders in the Western democracies, in particular Britain and Europe. Russian Communists must be pleased with the success of their agents of influence in the institutions of learning within Britain and America. Yet they are concerned at their lack of success in efforts

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to successfully penetrate and dominate the Catholic Church and German politics.

The Vatican has moved very aggressively, under the reign of Pope John Paul, against communism. The battle was joined in Poland, with papal financing and support of Lek Walesa’s Solidarity movement. The papal-Polish wedge, driven under the old iron curtain, commenced the crumbling of the foundation of communism in the middle European states and consummated with a thundering crack in the Berlin Wall. From there on the dominos fell: Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania and, of course, the trump card planned by the Vatican in consortium with Germany, the recognition of Croatia and Slovenia as independent states in 1991.

Thus the Vatican and Germany cast the die that destabilized the whole Balkan Peninsula, making it ripe for the plucking by a German-Vatican-dominated European Union only too ready to take over from an embattled NATO and a withdrawing U.S. and Britain in the very near future.

Note that it is *Germany* which has proposed a “Marshall Plan” for the reconstruction of the Balkans. It is *Germany* which has proposed the peace plan for Yugoslavia and Kosovo. It is *Germany* which has offered to administer Kosovo when the dust settles upon the signing of the peace accord by all parties.

Divided We Fall

Yes! Weak, inept, divided U.S. and British leadership has led us to this. All the smiling rhetoric of Gramsci-bent minds out of the ’60s flower-power campuses has, in just one decade, reduced the single greatest national superpower this world has ever seen to a lackey of the Vatican-Euro-Russian triumvirate which now dictates the conditions upon which U.S. and British-led NATO will whimper a cry of “victory.”

Surprised? You need not have been. If you read, study, submit to and obey the basic instruction book which our Creator God gave to mankind to show these events in advance of them happening, you would not be surprised.

You would know that God says that He sets up over nations the very basest of men (Dan. 4:17). Not only that, you would know that God declares of Britain and America in particular that, in the times in which we live, those men who lead us would have the minds as of women and children (Isa. 3:12). A rightly balanced woman would not want to go to war. She would rather stay home and nurture her children. Warfare is traditionally a man’s job. God implies in this verse that we will be *oppressed*, in the end of this age, by leaders with minds that won’t fully commit to war. They will have minds immature, not fully developed, as of a child. And, as God says, “*Foolishness* is bound in the heart of a child” (Prov. 22:15). Of such are the minds that enter, unthinking, into a moral morass such as the Kosovo crisis.

Yet, God says also, of that foolishness bound up in a mind that is immature, still thinking like a child, lacking wisdom, common sense and judgment—“the rod of correction will drive it far from him.”

That rod of correction is imminent. It will take the form of a nation, an aggressive nation of war-men, who are especially selected for that task—the *rod* of God’s anger (Isa. 10:5-6). That nation is rising *fast*. It will soon rule, from its ancient capital in the heart of Europe, a combined European force, which will descend on the soft-core, weak-willed, decadent nations of Britain and America to teach them the greatest lesson of their entire history—to submit to the will, the direction, the vision and the light of God’s word, obey it and come under its government, to mature into the fullness of the perfect character of Jesus Christ (Eph. 4:13).

Only then shall we turn, nationally, in deep repentance toward our maker and avidly learn to live the way of true peace, *undivided* in our efforts. Then we shall teach this peace, become its very ambassadors to all nations and work to bring them under its ambit forever. Then, truly, for the first time in this world’s history, by *uniting*, under that one global, godly government, we will stand, never to fall! ♦

◆ KLA

Respectable terrorists?

It is reminiscent of the CIA's government-endorsed efforts with the drug barons of Central America: Much of the arms cache from which the Kosovo Liberation Army has fought its terrorist war against the Serbs in Kosovo has been funded by heroin sales.

Massive clandestine movements of drugs via a corridor through Turkey, Bulgaria, Greece, Yugoslavia, Austria, Germany and Italy (dubbed "the Balkan Route") are organized by the KLA through a drug smuggling cartel based in Kosovo's provincial capital, Pristina.

The most amazing phenomenon involving the KLA drug runners is their conversion in the eyes of the public from a listed terrorist organization in 1998 to a group of "freedom fighters" in the spring of 1999. State Department records list the KLA as a terrorist organization which bankrolled its operations from heroin trade and loans from known terrorists such as Osama bin Laden.

Germany figures in the equation not only as a turn-around port for huge drug consignments but also as a facility for laundering cash received in the drug deals by the KLA. Last year German television reported that the Bundeswehr has had a "legal residence" in Tirana since 1990, and that Germany has provided the Kosovo Albanian separatists with weapons, optical observation and radio equipment and training over the past decade. With Albania declaring that Germany is one of its strongest supporters, the connection with this ethnic Albanian drug-running terrorist group is somewhat worrisome.

Perhaps of greater concern, upon reflection, is the urging of then-NATO Secretary General Manfred Wörner for Albania's "participation in the security of southeast Europe" way back in 1995. Why would a German head of the principal security alliance in Europe be calling for Albanian involvement in European security efforts a full four years prior to the Kosovo fiasco? A little re-



KLA: funded by drug money

cent history is worthy of consideration.

In 1997, subsequent to the "pyramid" banking collapse in Albania and its descent into temporary chaos, Albanians took hundreds of millions of dollars into Kosovo. Additionally, huge supplies of automatic weapons and loaded cartridges were shipped out of Albania to western Macedonia.

Curiously, it was not until this high-profit activity had spread to Kosovo and western Macedonia that Albanian leaders started to call for Albania's unification with those regions. This happened to coincide with the KLA's "ethnic cleansing" campaign in southern Kosovo where they slaughtered around 1000 Serbs.

Why are the ethnic Albanians now the good guys and Serbia the *bête noir*? It just so happens that Manfred Wörner had earlier given the game away.

Albania is the most sought after Balkan beachhead by both a German-dominated EU and a failing NATO. Albania served as a base in the Bosnian war, in addition to Tirana featuring as a prominent base for NATO ex-

ercises. Albania is a coveted prize in this whole Balkans fiasco. It is a key outpost between the Adriatic and the Eastern Mediterranean crescent. Within this arc lie the world's busiest shipping lanes with the greatest amount of ballistic missile proliferation.

Chancellor Gerhard Schröder has already proposed a "Marshall Plan" for restructuring the Balkans and has offered the EU as prime administrator of the program of reconstruction and peacekeeping in Kosovo. Meanwhile, the U.S. has promised aid, infrastructure building and political support to a country once seemingly totally isolated from the world—Albania.

So! In an odd sort of way, the Balkan drug corridor, the KLA, the EU, Germany and NATO all seem to coalesce in this Kosovo crisis in the ancient, mountainous, Adriatic, strategically located country of Albania.

◆ ISRAEL

Dividing the holy land

We will see. Now that hard-line Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has been ousted, now that his critics got their wish on May 19 with the election of Labor Party leader Ehud Barak, the whole world will soon find out whether the "peace process" they've been envisioning will really work.

Barak is just the sort of politician many have been looking for. A firm believer in the "land for peace" formula so integral to the Middle East peace agenda, Barak seems eager to engage several land giveaway requests. He has already expressed willingness to accept an independent Palestinian state. He has promised to withdraw troops from Lebanon within a year.

He is prepared to concede parts of the Golan Heights.

Carving up his territory to appease: This is the same policy Tony Blair is using to dismantle the United Kingdom. Barak was in fact the "unofficial" favorite in the election by American and British governments, who openly rejoiced over his victory. The ideological similarity of Barak to Mr. Clinton is further reflected in Barak's choice of



Barak celebrates his win

James Carville (of Clinton's camp) as his campaign adviser. The polemic Carville was able to win him the election—with little care for the political climate he'll now inherit.

In Israel, religion determines policy. Wider than ever now is the rift between Israel's Orthodox and secular Jews, violently split over the sacredness of their possession of Mideast land.

Remember Yasser Arafat's threats to declare a Palestinian state on May 1? He put it off until after Netanyahu could be put out—after receiving "unofficial" word from Clinton that he'd have his state within six months to a year if he'd only sit tight. (Incidentally, Barak was also the "unofficial" favorite of the *Palestinian* government.)

The *Trumpet* has long asserted that no amount of land will make the Palestinians peaceful neighbors. Netanyahu did not achieve peace, but he did stave off a major Middle East explosion. With Barak in office and territorial concessions soon to follow, we'll now see how long it takes for the Palestinians' appetite for land to exceed Israel's capacity to satisfy it.

More precious than oil

Wealth in the Middle East is often measured in barrels of oil. Yet a commodity even more valuable now threatens the region's stability. One of the most severe droughts of the century is withering the Middle East.

The common global issue of water management and ownership of water resources is compounded in the Middle East where supplies are normally scarce, and several nations share water from the few sources available.

The Yarmuk River originates in Syria and empties into the Jordan River just south of the Sea of Galilee. Both Israel and Jordan depend on this fresh water supply not only for residential consumption, but also for irrigation.



For months now, predictions have been made to prepare for drought conditions. The Sea of Galilee is 60 percent below average capacity. Measurable rainfall has not fallen for months, bringing reservoirs to a mere 30 percent of their capacity.

The 1994 peace accord signed by Israel and Jordan provisioned that Jordan be provided 55 million cubic meters of water from the Yarmuk annually. But meeting the demands of the treaty will cripple Israel's agricul-

ture. The Israeli government contends a proportionate decrease in supply to Jordan should be permitted in fairness to both nations.

In response, Jordan announced a joint-venture with Syria in early May to construct a dam on the Yarmuk. Israel is opposed because the Syrians and Jordanians would benefit to the detriment of Israel. (In 1987 Israel successfully lobbied the World Bank to deny the loan to pay for this same project.)

Further, Syria has agreed to give Jordan 8 million cubic meters of drinking water to help them over the summer. The emerging partnership between Syria and Jordan threatens the peace between Israel and its neighbors.

Israel is also at odds with the Palestinians and Syrians regarding water resources in the occupied territories of the West Bank and Golan Heights. Without those sources, Israel is left with few options for fresh water.

For now, long-term planning and international peace treaties determine how water should be shared. But in the face of severe drought, desperation is driving the nations apart. If the drought worsens, more drastic action will be required for all Mideast nations to meet their needs.

◆ JAPAN

Asian realignment

As Russia and China continue to move toward a mutual security alliance, Japan is emerging with renewed indications of pursuing a foreign policy more at odds with the U.S.

Since the Asian financial meltdown and America's lukewarm response to rendering any real help to Japan in the slough of her economic

malaise, Japan has had to face up to the fact that, notwithstanding that nation's close alliance with America since World War II, they are now largely on their own.

Next to the U.S. and the EU, Japan, despite its current economic woes, is still the third-largest economy in the world. But a huge gap exists, following the lower house of parliament passing revisions to the U.S.-Japan defense cooperation guidelines on April 27, between its economic size and its capability to defend its global interests.

Japan faces a watershed. The country's internal debate on closing the gap between its significant role in international economic affairs and its felt need to become more assertive in the political and military sphere is heating up. The experiences of the 1990-91 Gulf War, the 1996-97 hostage crisis at the Japanese embassy in Peru, followed by North Korea's launch last August of a two-stage Taepodong missile over Japan's Honshu Island, all have worked to heighten a new sense of urgency in the Japanese leadership reconsidering the constitutional limitations on their military forces.

Earlier this year, all major Japanese political factions reached agreement on a general policy direction—that



the Japanese self-defense forces should be given expanded capability to participate in missions abroad, including UN missions and initiatives designed to rescue

Japanese nationals caught in situations where their security is at risk. Increasingly, Japanese leaders are speaking out on the need for Japan to seek a higher military profile.

Japan's tendency to play down its past militaristic history is being overtaken by a need to reconfigure its security arrangements to reflect the impact of diminishing U.S. power and, in particular, the rise of China to great-power status in the Far East.

Addressing the Foreign Correspondents' Club of Japan on March 16, Kunihiko Saito, outgoing Japanese ambassador to the U.S., warned of the heightened risk of reviving militant nationalist sentiment under the sensitivities currently straining relations between the U.S. and Japan. "Memories of the 1930s and '40s are still fresh in our minds. We should always be careful about the revival of nationalism," said Saito. He added, "If the United States' economy starts to have problems, the issue of trade imbalance will surely become a very serious political issue between our two countries" (*Stratfor Systems*, March 19).

Adding fuel to the debate over Japan's national security is the current rush of the unemployed, displaced by the continuing Japanese recession, into the nation's military forces. Unlike the U.S., straining to attract manpower to its depleted defense forces, Japan is booming in military recruitment.

The continuing trade war with the U.S., Japan's ongoing dispute with Russia on sovereignty over the Kurile Islands, its current political debate on Japanese military forces, perceived North Korean and Chinese aggression, and the call from South-east Asian countries for Japan to take a more assertive role in Asia will all inevitably combine to push Japan back onto the world stage as a military power of note.

GERMANY and the VATICAN

THE FOURTH REICH IN DISGUISE

BEHIND THE SCENES: If Americans and Britons knew what was happening inside Germany, they would be shocked. If they knew what was happening inside the Vatican, they would be even more shocked. It's time to remove the disguise!

BY GERALD FLURRY

TODAY THE GERMANS AND THE EUROPEAN UNION ARE ONCE again focusing the peoples' minds on the Holy Roman Empire. Otto von Hapsburg said, "The [European] Community is living largely by the heritage of the Holy Roman Empire, though the great majority of the people who live by it don't know by what heritage they live."

NOTICE, "THE GREAT MAJORITY" DON'T KNOW THEY ARE EVEN NOW LIVING BY THE HERITAGE OF THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE! That is because it has mostly been UNDERGROUND. But that is changing fast as the empire grows in power.

America and Britain are even more *unaware* of this great, fast-rising empire.

The people of Europe need a specific focus to stir their imaginations. And they are getting just that. Hapsburg, a descendant of the Hapsburg Dynasty which ruled the Holy Roman Empire for 400 years, talked about a crown in a museum in Vienna, Austria, which symbolizes a great deal to the Germans and the Vatican. He said, "We possess a European symbol which belongs to all nations of Europe equally; THIS IS THE CROWN OF THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE, WHICH EMBODIES THE TRADITION OF CHARLEMAGNE." Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the Holy Roman Empire in 800 A.D.—THE FIRST REICH.

Hapsburg failed to mention that the Holy Roman Empire also embodied the tradition of Mussolini and Adolf Hitler—leaders of THE THIRD REICH.

Europe is once again becoming mesmerized by the crown of Charlemagne—just as Hitler was.

Most of the time, over 1500 years of history, the Holy Roman Empire has been dominated by Germany and the Vatican.



The Spirit of Charlemagne

What is happening in the European superstate is a MYSTERY to most of the world. But that mystery is beginning to be removed.

Bernard Connolly wrote a bombshell book in 1995 titled *The Rotten Heart of Europe*. For years he served at the heart of the Exchange-Rate Mechanism for the European Union (EU). He headed the commission unit responsible for monitoring and servicing the system. He labels the European superstate as *rotten*. Why so?

Connolly writes, "It is the battle for control of the European superstate, in which French technocrats confront German federalists, both sides claiming to fight under the BANNER OF CHARLEMAGNE. The 'collateral damage' from this battle lies mainly in the future, but IT COULD BE GHASTLY" (p. xvi, emphasis mine).

Who will gain control of this great superstate? The battle can be narrowed down to two nations—France and Germany. Do knowledgeable people really doubt who will win this battle? The nation which controls the money will reign supreme.

"Across the Rhine, successive German governments have, in their pursuit of a 'EUROPEAN' CLOAK FOR GERMAN AMBITIONS, been prepared to accept an apparent cession of national monetary authority—as long as the new European monetary looks, sounds, smells and acts exactly as the German monetary authority now does" (ibid., p. 4).

The EU system has already been called a Trojan horse. Mr. Connolly says it is a "CLOAK FOR GERMAN AMBITIONS" and that "it could be ghastly"!

The spirit of Charlemagne has returned. This past king who ruled the First Reich had to wade through a sea of blood to achieve his goal of ruling Europe.

The big question remains unanswered. "In the new empire of Charlemagne, WHO WOULD PLAY CHARLEMAGNE? Exactly the same question was implicit, and left unanswered, at Maastricht" (ibid.).

Soon the world will know who the modern Charlemagne is to be. You can be sure he will have Germany's stamp of approval. His actions will shock the world far more than the original Charlemagne's did.

CHARLEMAGNE, of the First Reich

Recent Election

Last year, we informed our readers that in a German election in Saxony-Anhalt, a pro-Nazi party won nearly 13 percent of the vote. This racist party gained 14 seats in the state parliament.

This was the *first time* a pro-Nazi party won parliament seats since the Adolf Hitler era! That madman's ghost is back to haunt us. Even most of the German press labeled April 26, 1998, a "black day" for Germany. Jewish leader Ignatz Bubis said, "I have great fears."

On May 2, 1998, NBC News showed footage of Hitler and stated how this pro-Nazi party in the recent election gained more votes than Hitler's did just a few years before he took control of Germany!

The election victory was followed a few days later by a three to four thousand-man neo-Nazi rally. It was the largest Nazi rally in years.

Gerhard Frey, leader of the pro-Nazi party (the DVU, or German People's Union), denied in the news publication *Süddeutsche Zeitung* THAT THE HOLOCAUST EVER HAPPENED!

And this election happened in relatively prosperous times. What would happen during an economic crisis like the one before World War II?

This is one of many warning signs that our leaders and the press virtually ignore—in spite of Germany's bloody history. America keeps lifting and pushing Germany to be the unchallenged leader in Europe. As we strongly support Germany, they move more toward right-wing extremism. And anti-Americanism, especially since the U.S.-led flop in Kosovo, is gaining momentum. Several intelligence services know that is true, not only in Germany, but in much of Europe.

America is trying to buy Germany's love, and it isn't working. Such actions reveal a dangerous weakness. For America to survive as a nation, it must recognize and correct that deadly flaw.

Several newspaper articles have been written about how THE NEO-NAZIS ARE POPULAR WITH MANY GERMANS, including the middle class. That is a disturbing thought indeed!

Two years after World War II, America and Britain let the Germans

denazify themselves. (Write for our free booklet *The History and Prophecy of Germany*.) This fact is well-documented. That is why the Nazis are so popular with the middle class. Nobody demanded that they change the spirit that started World Wars I and II.

THIS IS THE TERRIFYING TRUTH THAT MOST OF THE WORLD REFUSES TO FACE.

The Vatican-Israel Pact

The Vatican and Israel stunned the world by signing an agreement on diplomatic relations on December 30, 1993. For 45 years since the birth of Israel, no such relations had existed. In fact, there had been deep bitterness between these two parties. Some of that bitterness still lingers, and for good reason.

Parade magazine published an interview with Pope John Paul II on April 3, 1994. It said, "Notwithstanding the pope's emphasis on the improvement of

Catholic-Jewish ties, much tragic history, resentment and suspicion still live in Jewish memories about the behavior of the church, its faithful and the papacy over long centuries, as well as in the not-so-distant past.... THERE ARE VATICAN CONSERVATIVES WHO THINK THAT JOHN PAUL II HAS GONE MUCH TOO FAR IN BEING A 'PROTECTOR OF JEWS,' AS THE CHARGE IS WHISPERED AMONG SOME IN ROME and elsewhere, and who would prefer to see their church remain immutable IN ITS ATTITUDES AS IN BYGONE CENTURIES."

That is a frightening statement if you consider the church's bloody inquisitions and other crimes. And what if one of these "Vatican conservatives" replaces the ailing pope?

"This history includes the diaspora, the dispersion of the Jews around the world—which the pope has stressed—and their expulsion by the Catholic kings of Spain and the Inquisition, the persecutions, pogroms [planned massacres] and ritual murders over centuries and *across the whole map of Europe*, their confinement in ghettos and the endless humiliations."

THAT HISTORY SOUNDS LIKE THE NAZIS OF WORLD WAR II! And still most people just ignore it.

Parade continued, "The greatest Jewish bitterness surrounds the figure



Gerhard Frey

PROVOCATIVE MEMOIRS

What did she say to make Europe so mad?



THATCHER voiced her concerns over “the German problem.”

WHEN MARGARET THATCHER RELEASED her memoirs in 1993, it created a furor in Europe. The German press was outraged. She told of Britain’s attempts to stop German reunification under her administration. She disagreed vehemently with Chancellor Helmut Kohl over that issue.

The German magazine *Der Spiegel* extracted eight pages from Mrs. Thatcher’s book and titled it, “Stop the German Monster”! This book has made the Germans more hostile toward Britain than they already are! This book could also have a great deal to do with pushing Britain out of the European Union. We have said for many years that this would undoubtedly happen.

Der Spiegel is probably Germany’s most prestigious magazine internationally, and it states that Mrs. Thatcher was making

Germany look like a MONSTER! This is a violent reaction to the simple truth.

It reveals that Germany has not deeply repented of starting both world wars—and starting many other wars as a part of the Holy Roman Empire. Only the U.S. has the power and influence to control the Germans. But we have done just the opposite! We have pushed and empowered them to be the masters of Europe.

Mrs. Thatcher also revealed how she and French President François Mitterrand both wanted “to check the German juggernaut.” Mr. Mitterrand chose to move faster toward a United Europe “in order to tie down the German giant.” Germany is already the greatest economic power in Europe—by far!

Margaret Thatcher wrote in her book (emphasis mine): “There was—and still is—a tendency to regard the ‘German problem’ AS SOMETHING TOO DELICATE FOR WELL-BROUGHT-UP POLITICIANS TO DISCUSS. THIS ALWAYS SEEMED TO ME A MISTAKE. The problem had several elements which could only be addressed if non-Germans considered them openly and constructively. I do not believe in collective guilt: It is individuals who are morally accountable for their actions. But I do believe in national character, which is molded by a range of complex factors: The fact that national caricatures are often absurd and inaccurate does not detract from that. Since the unification of Germany under Bismarck—perhaps partly because national unification came so late—Germany has veered unpredictably between aggression and self-doubt....

“As I have already argued, that is one reason why so many Germans genuinely—I believe wrongly—want to see Germany locked in to a federal Europe. In fact, Germany is more rather than less likely to dominate within that framework; FOR A REUNITED GERMANY IS SIMPLY TOO BIG AND POWERFUL TO BE JUST ANOTHER PLAYER WITHIN EUROPE.... GERMANY IS THUS BY ITS VERY NATURE A DESTABILIZING RATHER THAN A STABILIZING FORCE IN EUROPE. Only the military and political engagement of the United States in Europe and close relations between the other two strongest sovereign states in Europe—Britain and France—are sufficient to balance German power: and nothing of the sort would be possible within a European superstate.

“One obstacle to achieving such a balance of power when I was in office was the refusal of France under President Mitterrand to follow his and French instincts and challenge German interests. This would have required abandoning the Franco-German axis on which he had been relying and, as I shall describe, the wrench proved just too difficult for him” (*The Downing Street Years*).

She sees that America and France have failed to challenge the Germans—especially America.

of Pope Pius XII, whose lengthy pontifical reign spanned the periods before and after World War II. He has been accused in learned treatises and in dramatic plays of looking the other way and remaining silent when the Nazis murdered millions of Jews—and non-Jews—in the death camps of the Holocaust, and he remains to this day the subject of painful controversy among Catholics. He has been accused of failing to marshal the moral authority of the Holy See to protest Hitler’s crimes.

“When, during the war, the Apostolic Delegate in Turkey, Monsignor Angelo Roncalli, urged Pius XII to receive Yitzhak Isaac Halevy Herzog, the *Chief Rabbi of Palestine*, who wished to plead personally for the rescue of Jews throughout Eastern Europe, THE POPE FLATLY REFUSED....”

It’s hard to imagine a more condemning truth from a man who professes to lead the world in God’s love! “The pope flatly refused”! And we still have “Vatican conservatives” who whisper against the present pope for being “a protector of Jews.”

Of course, the Jews were not the only ones killed in the Inquisition. The Catholic Church killed more than 50 million people during the Inquisition!

Only 6 million Jews were killed in World War II. How responsible is Pope Pius XII for the other 40-50 million killed?

Was the Vatican just “SILENT” when millions of Jews were murdered in World War II? Mark Aarons and John Loftus, in their book *Unholy Trinity*, have abundantly documented the fact that the Vatican heavily sponsored and engineered the infamous “Ratlines”—used to help most of the Nazi leaders escape the Allies at the end of World War II! The evidence in this book is overwhelming. Read it and you will believe the Catholic Church was more than just “SILENT” regarding the Jews in World War II and in their support for the Nazi cause. These facts are so well-documented that nobody can honestly reject them.

Margaret Thatcher was the only world leader with the courage to discuss the “German problem” (see left). *The Vatican problem is even more explosive to discuss politically.* So the Catholic Church continues to spill buckets of blood because men fail to speak and fight for the truth! How can we possibly justify not facing these deadly facts?

A Disturbing Interview

The German newspaper *Schwabische Zeitung* (SZ) printed in June of 1996 an interview with Roman Catholic cardinal Alfons Maria Stickler from Austria. He is a cardinal of the Curia (papal court of the Roman Catholic Church) and an adviser to the pope. Anybody who understands the history of the Catholic Church and the Holy Roman Empire would have to find the interview very disturbing. Here are some quotes:

“SZ: What ails our society?

“Stickler: The principles that were once personified in the aristocracy of the past are now gone. The moral strength, the willingness to stand up for what is good and defend it against all opposition, the UNCONDITIONAL WILLINGNESS TO FIGHT FOR THE DOCTRINES OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH, as well as restraint by a noble spirit....

“SZ: What distinguishes the representatives of this aristocracy?

“Stickler: They are loyal and devoted to the pope; politically neither right or left, ONLY GUIDED TO REALIZE THE WILL OF THE POPE AND THE CATHOLIC HONOR....

“SZ: Why?

“Stickler: You know, the Brazilian nobleman Plinio Correa de Oliveira, founder of the Organization for the Defense of Traditions, Family and Possessions, and the author of numerous works for the defense of AGGRESSIVE CATHOLICISM against ungodliness, continually spoke of the value of the...aristocracy. ONLY THESE ARISTOCRATS [this includes the house of Hapsburg] CAN SAVE THE WORLD FROM MORAL DECAY.”

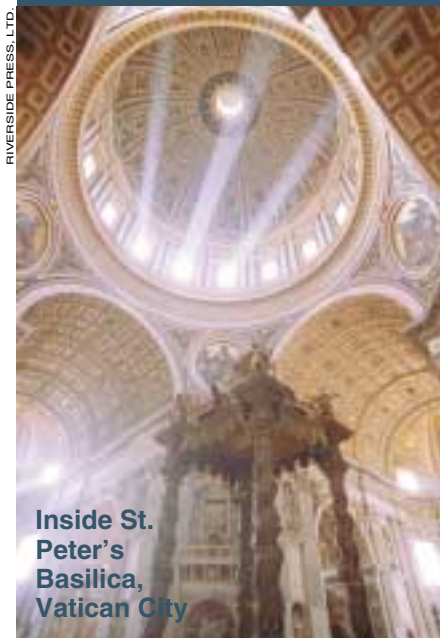
The cardinal says loyal Catholic supporters should be “ONLY GUIDED TO REALIZE THE WILL OF THE POPE and the Catholic honor.” Politically, they are neither right or left—“they are loyal and devoted to the pope” only!

Let me again remind you that, at the end of World War II and just after, the pope engineered the escape of many of the most evil leaders ever on the planet!

I BELIEVE THAT WAS THE MOST TREACHEROUS ACT OF WORLD WAR II! After all, the Catholic Church *should have* been teaching God’s love, but was instead trying to perpetuate what Hitler built! It doesn’t take a psychoanalyst to know that they had to be closely allied with the Nazis during World War II to commit such an indescribable atrocity! THAT WAS “THE WILL OF THE POPE.” And

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

should have been teaching God’s love, but was instead trying to perpetuate what Hitler built!



Inside St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican City

any student of history knows that numerous popes have had a very dark history. Isn't it frightening to think of supporters “ONLY guided to realize the will of the pope”?

The cardinal discussed the “aggressive Catholicism” of the Holy Roman Empire. That aggressive system has always converted members *with the sword!* There has never been an exception in six different resurrections of that empire! Never one exception! And we must *not* forget that the Catholic Church killed 50 million people during the last Inquisition!

Is that the kind of “aggressive Catholicism” to which the cardinal refers? What makes this man think only the Catholics can save the world from moral decay? His views obviously reflect the pope’s philosophy. If they want to save the world from moral decay, perhaps they could start by publicly repenting of their mind-staggering evil committed during and after World War II.

Their philosophy has led the world into continual disaster. No church or organization can save this world. Man is the *problem*, not the solution. Only God can save us from moral decay or nuclear annihilation.

How much suffering does it take before we learn that simple truth?

Germany Gets Aggressive

Trumpet readers are well-aware that in December 1991, Germany decided to recognize breakaway Yugoslav republics Slovenia and Croatia despite strong opposition from the EU, the United States and the United Nations; and despite the fact that the move again resurrected unsavory memories of Germany’s fascist past.

One week later the Vatican also recognized Croatia.

The EU eventually recognized the two states a month later. The UN also backed away from a direct confrontation with Germany. And THE U.S., WHICH AT FIRST BLAMED THE GERMANS FOR PROVOKING YUGOSLAVIA’S CIVIL WAR BY RECOGNIZING THE TWO BREAKAWAY STATES, EVENTUALLY FLIP-FLOPPED TO EVEN SUPPORT GERMANY’S DECISION MILITARILY!

That will prove to have been the *beginning* of AMERICA’S BIGGEST FOREIGN POLICY DEBACLE EVER!

It seemed the whole world feared to challenge Germany! It gives you an idea of how *quickly* after the Wall fell, *only two years*, that Germany ascended to world dominance—marching to its own drum, with little concern for world opinion.

Yugoslavia had existed as one unified country since 1919, with the exception of one particularly deadly interlude: when Hitler made Croatia his own puppet state during World War II. Over 700,000 Serbs were slaughtered by the Croats during the war, which is why Serbia was more than uneasy about the Vatican and Germany’s world-defying alliance with Croatia.

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman has REFUSED TO DISASSOCIATE HIMSELF FROM HIS COUNTRY’S FASCIST ROOTS. Yet his *shocking stance* DID NOT DISSUADE GERMANY AND THE VATICAN FROM PLEDGING THEIR FULL SUPPORT! According to Martin Lee, author of *The Beast Reawakens*, the Germans exported over \$320 million worth of military hardware to Croatia between 1992 and 1994. And in 1995, for the first time since World War II, Germany committed 4,000 troops *beyond its borders*—inside Croatia, to enforce the tenuous peace agreement.

Since the Wall fell in 1989, the world has not only witnessed an alarming upsurge in neo-Nazi violence, we have also witnessed the escalating spirit of independence and arrogance within the

German nation as a whole. Germany has rapidly risen to the ranks of a bona fide world power.

The Catholic Holocaust Document

The Vatican recently issued a document saying Christians did not do enough to stop the extermination of 6 million Jews in World War II. But it defended Pope Pius XII against charges that he did not speak out against the Nazis during the Holocaust. Jewish organizations were angered, saying the Vatican's 14-page document, "We Remember, a Reflection on the Shoah," did not go far enough to condemn Pius' silence.

On March 22, 1998, the *Philadelphia Inquirer* carried an article summarizing Pius' 1942 Christmas message in which he lamented the cruelties of war, but failed to even mention the Nazis. Wladyslaw Raczekiewicz, president of the Polish government-in-exile at that time, wrote to Pius: "My people... implore that a voice be raised to show clearly and plainly where the evil lies. Today...the Apostolic See must break silence." As was written in the *Inquirer*, "Pius did not."

After the Vatican released its document, Phil Baum, executive director of the American Jewish Congress, lamented the Vatican's reluctance to "impose moral culpability on some leading church authorities...who were either indifferent or in some cases ACTUALLY COMPLICIT in the persecution of Jews" (emphasis mine).

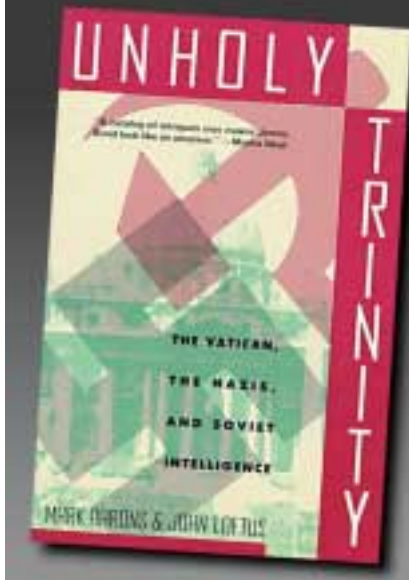
Baum believes some Catholic authorities may have been "actually complicit" in the Jewish persecution and slaughter. In other words, the church—in Europe especially—was actually allied with Hitler and the Nazis.

Mussolini openly called his movement the *Holy Roman Empire!* That means the Vatican was a part of that empire.

The pope and other Catholics were more than just silent during the war. All we have to do is look at what the Catholic Church was doing at the end of World War II. Let's view the whole picture.

I would like to again give you some quotes from the most frightfully shocking book I have read in years. In *Unholy Trinity*, Mark Aarons and John Loftus wrote (emphasis mine), "It is absurd to believe that 30,000 fugitive Nazis escaped to South America on the few U-Boats remaining at the end of the

"FOR WHATEVER SUCCESSES ODESSA achieved, they were mere amateurs at Nazi-smuggling when compared with the Vatican."



SECRET ALLIANCE A frightening expose of the Vatican's post-war Nazi-smuggling.

war, or that they all made their own travel arrangements. Modern popular culture has presented the escape of the Nazis in an adventurous, almost romantic light. The most popular Nazi smugglers are ODESSA and Die Spinne, although other mysterious groups are also mentioned from time to time. But in the main these stories owe more to the fertile imagination of script writers and novelists than to historical research and accuracy.

"The truth is much more ordinary, almost mundane. It is all the more shocking as a result. For whatever successes ODESSA achieved, THEY WERE MERE AMATEURS AT NAZI-SMUGGLING WHEN COMPARED WITH THE VATICAN. Draganovic's Ratline [the name given to the Vatican's Nazi smuggling operation] was truly professional, ensuring that many guilty war criminals reached safe havens. Often they did not end up in the remote jungles of South America, but settled instead in Britain, Canada, Australia and the United States" (p. 88).

The Croatian Connection

In July of 1997, a United States Treasury document was published ac-

curring the Vatican of hoarding Holocaust gold for the Croatian Nazi puppet regime during and after World War II. The Vatican dismissed the accusation as ridiculous. But then, when pressured by Jewish organizations to open their archives (which have been closed for 100 years) to dispel rumors of Nazi sympathies, the Vatican refused. Why? Could it be that they have something to hide?

In *Unholy Trinity*, Mark Aarons and John Loftus contend that they *do* have something to hide! Many Serbs, according to the authors, were butchered using medieval methods. "Eyes had been gouged out," they wrote, "limbs severed, intestines and other internal organs ripped from the bodies of the living. Some were slaughtered like beasts, their throats cut from ear to ear with special knives. Others died from blows to their heads with sledgehammers. Many more were simply burned alive."

Much more alarming, however, is the "special relationship" between the pope and Croatia at a time when Croatian fascists were slaughtering Serbs. Aarons and Loftus said the atrocities were already under way when Pope Pius XII met with Ante Pavelic, Croatia's leader, in April 1941.

The pope agreed to meet with Pavelic again in May 1943, by which time the Nazi atrocities against the Serbs were without refute. (One Italian journalist interviewed Pavelic in his home and was shocked to find a large bowl of Serbian eyes the fascist had been collecting.) Yet, according to *Unholy Trinity*, "PIUS HIMSELF PROMISED TO GIVE PAVELIC HIS PERSONAL BLESSING AGAIN. *By this time, the Holy See possessed abundant evidence of the atrocities committed by his regime.*"

U.S. intelligence also confirmed that Pavelic had numerous secret meetings with the Under Secretary of State of the Holy See, Monsignor Montini, who later became Pope Paul VI. According to one intelligence official *Unholy Trinity* quotes, "Pavelic's contacts are so high and his present position is so compromising to the Vatican, that ANY EXTRADITION OF [PAVELIC] WOULD DEAL A STAGGERING BLOW TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH."

Any right-thinking person ought to ask why the very highest officials in the Catholic Church, including the pope, would associate with and even protect Croatian fascists. Is that the kind of his-

tory more “conservative” Vatican officials today want to hold on to?

“For fugitive Nazis,” Aarons and Loftus wrote, “all roads led to Rome.”

High-ranking ministers, civil servants, even Ante Pavelic himself, *with help from the Vatican’s Ratlines*, were able to disappear into thin air, intelligence sources have confirmed. At the time, the Vatican labeled these escapees “refugees.” But they were Croatian fascists who were helping Hitler’s regime!

Remember this all happened at the end of World War II!

Pope Pius XII was by far the greatest Nazi smuggler at the end of World War II! The man who succeeded him as pope, Giovanni Montini, was also deeply involved in this crime against humanity!

What if this Holy Roman Empire turns its wrath toward America, first of all, the next time around? That is precisely what the post-World War II Nazi underground has pledged to do!

They know that we mass-produced most of the armaments that beat them in World Wars I and II.

We can’t afford to take this lightly.

These shocking facts reveal that the Vatican was deeply involved with the Germans in World War II. There is simply no other explanation. But most people continue to ignore the truth—to their own great peril!

Aarons and Loftus understand the important history between Croatia and the papacy, dating back to A.D. 700. The Catholic Church has been involved in mass murder since A.D. 514, when the first Holy Roman Empire began. **THIS CHURCH HAS MORE TO HIDE—OR REPENT OF—THAN ANY OTHER INSTITUTION IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD!**

A church either represents the true God or it is a false church. And because a church supposedly represents God, it must be held very accountable. It certainly is by God, if not by man. Read Jeremiah 23 and Ezekiel 34 to see how severely God judges rebellious pastors.

The most terrifying history by far is coming in the very near future. It is time we understand the truth. The worst mistake you can make is to refuse to understand!

Germany and the Vatican primarily started the war in Yugoslavia. This is the so-called Holy Roman Empire in action! This power should be feared 1000 times more than the Serbs. Still the world races madly toward disaster because men refuse to face the truth.

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POPE PIUS XII has been documented as the greatest Nazi smuggler of World War II.

Why can’t we see that Germany and the Vatican are renewing their ties from World War II? A history that reaches back to Charlemagne.

Why would a church which is supposed to teach God’s love again ally itself with Croatia and Germany, considering their heinous Nazi crimes? Wouldn’t a repentant church or state do just the opposite? Unless they plan for a future somewhat akin to the dream of Adolf Hitler!

Margaret Thatcher was the only high-ranking politician who would even discuss the “German problem.” Only she had the understanding and courage to do so!

No politician has yet had the courage to discuss the *Vatican problem*. That attitude can only lead to a bloody disaster.

So expect Germany to repeat their history. How could we expect it to be otherwise?

Thatcher came to see that she and President Mitterrand of France could do nothing to stop German reunification. She and the whole world must come to see that nothing can stop Germany’s rise to power and the result-

ing destruction it will bring on the world scene. That is because God is raising Germany to punish biblical Israel—mainly the American and British peoples—for their sins, unless they repent! (See Isaiah 10:5-7.)

Our reaction should not be to rise up and try to stop Germany. That wouldn’t work. Our only hope is to repent of our sins. Then God would humble Germany.

The new Charlemagne is to lead the world into the greatest sea of blood that humanity has ever seen or even dreamed about. Whether we realize it or not, the Fourth Reich has arrived—though still in disguise to most of the world.

The Modern Charlemagne

We are going to see the rise of a man who is prophesied to do great evil. And he undoubtedly will be a German. “And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up” (Dan. 8:23). This verse is dual. It applies to Antiochus Epiphanes anciently. But it also refers to the end time, “when the sinners fill up their measure” (literal translation). Mankind is not getting better and better, as evolutionists and others think! Just the reverse is happening in this “latter time”!

A leader will rise who is the epitome of all this end-time evil. He has a “fierce countenance,” meaning he is unyielding and merciless. The expression “dark sentences,” most commentaries agree, means HE CONCEALS HIS TRUE MOTIVES. He is highly skilled at intrigue, deceit, double-talk and double-dealing. He comes to destroy, but is disguised as a peacemaker! Like Satan, he comes as “an angel of light.”

The *Jamieson, Fausset and Brown Commentary* relates that anciently, “Antiochus made himself master of Egypt and Jerusalem successively by craft.” JFB then quotes two verses from the book of Maccabees: “The king sent his chief collector of tribute, who came unto Jerusalem with a great multitude, and spake peaceable words unto them; but ALL WAS DECEIT: for when they had given him credence, he fell suddenly upon the city, and smote it very sore, and destroyed much people of Israel.... Antiochus sent also that detestable ringleader, Apollonius, with an army of two and twenty thousand, commanding him to slay all those that were in

their best age, and to sell the women and the younger sort; who, coming to Jerusalem, and pretending peace, did forbear till the holy day of the Sabbath, when, taking the Jews keeping holyday, he commanded his men to arm themselves, and so he slew all them that were gone to the celebrating of the Sabbath” (I Macc. 1:30; II Macc. 5:24).

This is the kind of leader who is about to rise in Germany!

The European Union

“And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people” (Dan. 8:24). He destroys, “but not by his own power.” Ten nations will be unified. This political power is guided by a great false church. But the real power is from Satan himself! (Rev. 13:2; 17:13). This will be the European Union led by Germany and the Vatican. IT IS A POWER THAT WILL TERRIFY THE ENTIRE EARTH!

The “holy people” shall also be destroyed. God’s own rebellious church will be destroyed by this beast power. THIS OUGHT TO SOBER AND MOTIVATE ALL OF GOD’S PEOPLE! Unfortunately, most of them continue to sleep.

“And through his policy also he shall cause CRAFT to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and BY PEACE SHALL DESTROY MANY: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand” (Dan. 8:25). The word “craft” means *fraud*. The expression “by peace he shall destroy many” means he is pretending “peace” and friendship. Then suddenly comes the malignant shock! He destroys *suddenly*, while his enemy is in a peaceful state of mind. This illustrates the deceitful malice practiced by this political tyrant.

The good news is that it’s CONNECTED directly to the return of Jesus Christ. Do we realize how close we are to this magnificent event? Christ will destroy that great empire and rule this earth! We must not lose sight of this glorious end!

A great false religious leader is also going to come on the scene about the same time. He will be allied with this political leader of “fierce countenance” (Rev. 17:5). The fulfillment of these mind-chilling prophecies is almost ready to explode on the world scene! We must stay close to God so that we

can escape this gigantic nightmare.

This vision was so stark and grisly that it caused Daniel to get sick and faint (Dan. 8:27). If a *vision* did that to Daniel, what will the actual event be like?

A Religious Clash

The pope said, “It must be understood that Jews, who for 2,000 years were dispersed among the nations of the world, had decided to return to the land of their ancestors. This is their right.

“And this right,” he said, “is recognized even by those who look upon the nation of Israel with an unsympathetic eye” (*Parade* interview). This is a very significant and dramatic statement. The pope knows there are millions of Arabs who have an “unsympathetic eye” toward Jerusalem! This statement is sure to offend many Arabs. And that is doubly true concerning radical Islam.

Already friction is building between the Islamic world and the Catholic Church. The Bible says this division will lead to a great clash.

“And at the time of the end shall the king of the south PUSH at him: and the king of the north shall come against him 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” (Dan. 11:40).

The king of the south will undoubtedly be radical Islam, led by Iran. We had thought in the past that the “push” would be a cutting off of oil supplies to the European Union, which is the *king of the north*. But it now seems so much more likely that the “push” is going to be *over Jerusalem*. That city is the third-most holy city in the Arab world. And the pope has publicly talked of possibly moving his headquarters there.

These two great and powerful religions passionately desire Jerusalem. Most believe these events are *leading to peace*. ACTUALLY THEY ARE LEADING TO WAR!

“He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon” (v. 41). The king of the north conquers the king of the south. Then he “enters” into “the glorious land”—or Jerusalem. If the “push” will be over Jerusalem, it would be a natural step to then “enter.” The Hebrew word for “enter” indicates

this is a peaceful entry—not done by military force.

For many years, the Vatican DEMANDED that Jerusalem be internationalized, or ruled by the international community. In recent months, Yasser Arafat has been pleading for the same situation.

After war explodes in the Middle East, there will probably be a thunderous call for a peacekeeper in Jerusalem. The king of the north will no doubt take the job, but then WILL QUICKLY BECOME A WAR-MAKER! (Ezekiel 23 discusses a SHAMEFUL DOUBLE-CROSS. Write for our free booklet *The Ezekiel Watchman*.)

By peace he shall destroy many! (Dan. 8:25.) A great church actually guides this militaristic union. It looks like a lamb but speaks like a dragon! (Rev. 13:2.) That makes the political beast, which is empowered by Satan, ALL THE MORE DECEITFUL.

This great religion is a “mystery” to the world (Rev. 17:7). Today, most of the truth is *underground*—hidden from the world. But that is changing fast.

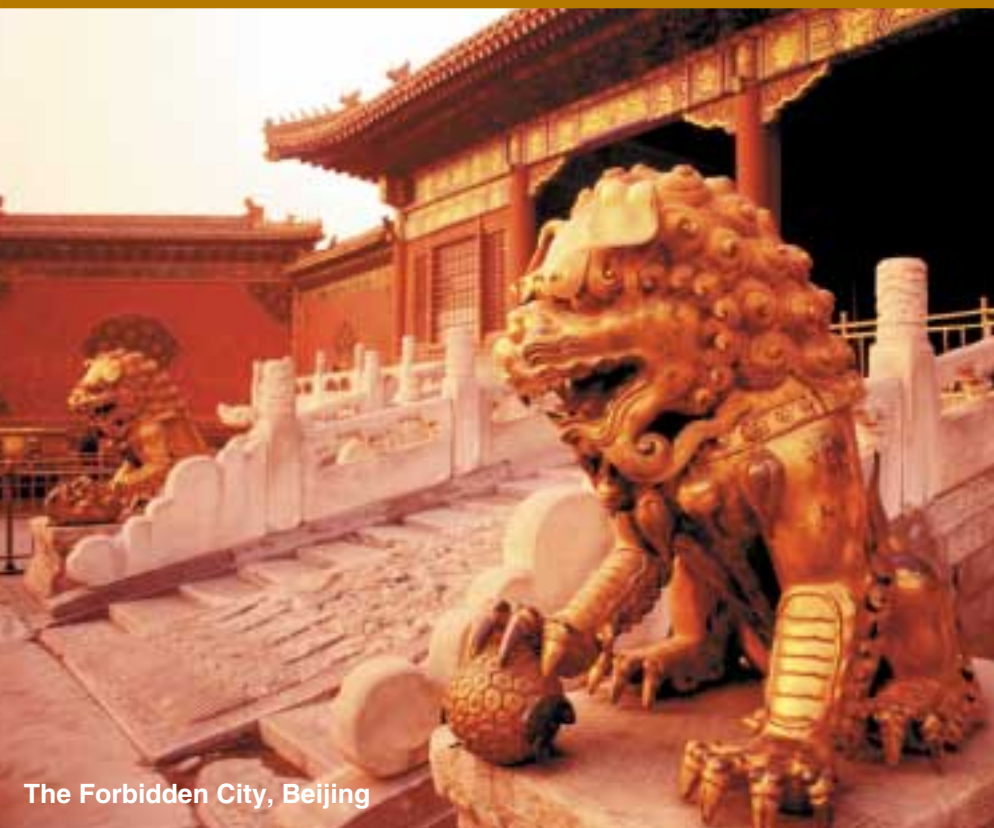
Russia and China will then strike fear in the king of the north. “But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many” (Dan. 11:44). The king of the north is then defeated. “And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him” (v. 45). Here we see a great religious leader—“tabernacles of his palace”—moving his headquarters to Jerusalem. But he also comes to his end. Why?

Here is another statement by the pope: “We trust that with the approach of the year 2000, Jerusalem will become the *city of peace* for the entire world and that all the people will be able to meet there, in particular the believers in the religions that find their birthright in the faith of Abraham” (ibid.).

The pope is right! “JERUSALEM WILL BECOME THE CITY OF PEACE FOR THE ENTIRE WORLD,” but not the way he believes.

The “Holy” Roman Empire’s version of “peace” has brought nothing but rivers of blood. History’s record cannot be ignored!

Jesus Christ, on the other hand, has an unblemished record of peace. He will soon return to this earth and give its inhabitants rivers of *living water*. ♦



The Forbidden City, Beijing

CHINA

FEEDING THE DRAGON

IRRESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR: How America has catapulted China to center stage. And why.

BY STEPHEN FLURRY

WITH NATO'S BOMBING OF THE Chinese embassy in Belgrade last month, Sino-American relations seemed to have come full circle. As one journalist noted, if a space traveler returned to earth after 30 years, he would be excused for thinking nothing had changed. Communist China still hates the United States.

There would, however, be one notable difference. Thirty years ago, China was an isolated, poverty-stricken, backward nation that hated America. Today, it is an increasingly mod-

ern, prosperous nation that is armed to the teeth—thanks, in large part, to America's policy on China.

This is the story of how America created a monster—and why.

AS FOUNDING FATHER OF THE PEOPLE'S Republic of China (PRC), Mao Tse-tung's reign of terror began in 1949 when he overthrew Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government, forcing it to flee to the island of Taiwan. (Chiang Kai-shek, while on Taiwan, insisted that his government was the real China and vowed to return to the mainland

eventually.) Mao "unified" China under communism after butchering well over 20 million dissenters, earning him the dubious distinction of being the greatest mass murderer this century. In the Korean War, Mao sacrificed another one million Chinese lives, fighting against the United States and South Korea.

Post-World War II America rejected Mao's Communist dictatorship. The U.S. recognized Taiwan as the capital of China, not Beijing. So did the international community. Taiwan had a seat in the United Nations—Beijing did not.

All that changed during the Nixon administration. At that time, the United States and Communist China both viewed the Soviet Union as their number-one enemy. Thus, one *common enemy* brought together a rather unlikely alliance.

Allied with Communist China, the U.S. could counterweigh the Soviet threat in East Asia. (They already had firm resistance on the West side of the Soviets with the NATO alliance.) Establishing ties with Beijing, however, would not come without price.

In July 1971, Nixon's national security adviser, Henry Kissinger, secretly met with Chinese leaders in Beijing. He assured them that the Nixon administration would not support Taiwan's independence.

Three months after that meeting, the PRC was admitted into the United Nations. Taiwan lost its seat despite vigorous opposition from many American officials, including U.S. ambassador to the UN, George Bush.

The following year, in 1972, Nixon himself flew to China for more talks. The visit resulted in the carefully worded Shanghai Communique, which referred to "all Chinese on either side" being for one China—not an independent Taiwan. It was America's first official declaration that the PRC had, in effect, won the Chinese civil war. Thus, the groundwork for Sino-American relations was laid on a one-China policy, which was decidedly pro-Communist.

After Mao's death in 1976, his successor, Deng Xiaoping, worked to establish diplomatic relations with anyone willing to help China modernize and prosper economically. China thirsted for American technology, Western education and free trade. America was more than willing to quench their thirst.

Jimmy Carter's administration was

the first to formalize diplomatic relations with China in 1978. He was the first American president to extend most-favored-nation trade status (MFN) to China, eliminating high tariffs on Chinese exports. Carter also initiated a student-exchange program, admitting Chinese students into American universities, and vice versa. He formalized joint intelligence operations between the U.S. and China, allowing both nations to closely watch their mutual enemy. And like Nixon, Carter acknowledged that Taiwan was part of Communist China.

In all of these developments, America was willing to pay a big price to maintain and strengthen the anti-Soviet bloc in Asia. MFN status led to a generous trade surplus for China and helped turn its economy around. The student-exchange program allowed waves of Chinese students to enter American schools, whereas Beijing by comparison only allowed a handful of Americans into China. (Most of the more than 80,000 Chinese who transferred to American schools during the 1980s pursued degrees heavily concentrated in the fields of science and technology.) As for “joint” intelligence operations, the phrase is a little misleading because at that time China *had no intelligence operation*. Under Carter’s proposal, however, both nations could monitor Soviet movement, using American intelligence and China’s strategic location. China could not have asked for a better arrangement. They could now keep a watchful eye on the Soviet Union and on how America used its sophisticated information-gathering equipment.

There were some by this point who were quite critical of what they considered a “conciliatory” China policy. Malcolm Toon, former American ambassador to Moscow, said in 1980, “It does seem to me that far down the road, a China armed to the teeth, as she intends to be, with a fairly strong economy, probably is not going to be very benign in her attitude toward the United States, because *they are against the sort of things we stand for.*”

Gene Hogberg, writing for *The Good News* in 1978, said China was exploiting America’s generosity in order to become a “genuine world power” by the year 2000.

To most, however, close relations with Beijing was a good thing. America needed to keep the Soviet threat



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hemmed in. Besides, how can you ignore one fourth of the world’s population?

Taiwan was a touchier subject. Many politicians, especially on Capitol Hill, were upset over America’s betrayal of Taiwan. Thus, in 1979, despite President Carter’s objection, a bipartisan coalition in Washington legislated the Taiwan Relations Act. It allowed the U.S. to supply Taiwan with enough arms to defend itself. It even allowed for U.S. intervention in case Taiwan was attacked. The United States may have recognized Beijing, but Congress did not want to forget Taiwan.

Beijing angrily said the act breached promises made by previous administrations. It would not be the last time controversy swirled around Taiwan.

DURING THE 1980S, TRADE, TECHNOLOGY and Taiwan continued to top the list of what China wanted in return for counter-balancing the Soviet threat for America. In 1983, President Reagan lifted the ban on many technological exports considered “dual use”—that which could be used for civilian *or* military purposes. The following year, he admitted China into the Foreign Military Sales program, allowing China to purchase American weapons on a line of U.S. credit.

As for Taiwan, in 1982, Reagan agreed to set a limit on their arms shipment. Fortunately for them, Reagan made it a flexible “limit.” It could fluctuate depending on the rate of China’s build-up. Reagan had always sympathized with Taiwan because of its democratic reforms and excellent trade relation with America. While continu-

ing in the steps of previous administrations concerning Beijing, he also intended to abide by the Taiwan Relations Act. In dealing arms to both China and Taiwan, he made sure Taiwan always had enough to successfully defend itself.

It is also worth noting that during this time, America itself was in the midst of the largest, most modern arms build-up in history. By comparison, it dwarfed China’s build-up (and Taiwan’s). That tremendous advantage, along with strategic trade policies, enabled America to balance power in regional hot spots according to U.S. interests. During the 1980s, it was hard to imagine *any nation*—let alone China, a nation that in many respects was still backward and in desperate need of modernization—ever challenging U.S. superiority.

But while China might have been puny compared to America, in Southeast Asia it was starting to make its presence known. Years of stockpiling conventional weapons enabled them to become the world’s most active low-cost arms supplier (\$8.7 billion in weapons exports from 1980 to 1987). And what worried America was who they were supplying—mostly nations in the Middle East like Iran and Iraq. That posed a threat to U.S. interests.

There were also signs during the 1980s that hostile relations between the Russians and Chinese were beginning to subside. For decades, this had been one of America’s worst nightmares—that Communist China would one day ally itself with the Soviet Union.

And in America, during that time, Larry Wu-Tai Chin was convicted of espionage. A CIA insider, Larry had been spying for Beijing since the Korean War.

All these events were but a foreshadow of much worse to come after the epochal shifts to occur between 1989 and 1991.

HAVING SERVED AS U.S. AMBASSADOR TO the United Nations and as head of the U.S. liaison office in Beijing during the 1970s (not to mention as vice president for eight years during the 1980s), George Bush began his presidency in 1989 confident he could strengthen ties with Beijing.

During Bush’s first foreign trip, he stopped in Beijing to see his “old friend,” Deng Xiaoping.

Three months later, Mikhail Gorbachev

UNITED STATES



CORBIS (4)

1971
Under Nixon, Sino-American relations improve. Kissinger secretly visits.



1972
Nixon visits China, resulting in Shanghai Communique.



1978
Carter is the first to formalize diplomatic relations with China.



1982
Reagan lifts ban on certain technological exports.

1945 1950 1955 1960 1965 1970 1975 1980 1985

CHINA



CORBIS

1949
Mao Tsetung's reign of terror begins.

1949
Chiang Kai-Shek's forces escape to Taiwan.



SIMON & SCHUSTER, INC.



DIGITAL STOCK

1971
China given seat in UN. Taiwan loses seat.



CORBIS

1976
Mao Tsetung dies. Deng Xiaoping takes over.

1985
Deng Xiaoping is *Time's* man of the year.

chev visited Beijing, effectively ending the strain between Sino-Soviet relations.

Simultaneous with Gorbachev's visit, pro-democracy rallies were gathering momentum in major Chinese cities. The situation boiled over on June 3-4. Westerners watched in shock as television cameras captured horrific video showing Chinese tanks squashing student demonstrators in Tiananmen Square. The students had constructed a replica of the Statue of Liberty, one of America's foremost symbols of freedom and democracy. The People's Liberation Army (PLA) murdered hundreds, perhaps thousands, in the massacre. An exact count is unknown because the Communists are said to have piled up the dead demonstrators, doused the pile with gasoline, and torched it to destroy the evidence.

The Tiananmen images outraged the American public. They had been led to believe for the past decade and a half that China was improving its human rights record. (*Time* magazine even named Deng Xiaoping its Man of the

Year in 1985.) Its economic reform meant China was becoming more like America, people thought. The Soviet Union, on the other hand, was the enemy. When the dust settled from the events of 1989, however, Americans awakened to see the Soviet Union crumbling and the People's Republic of China the same old totalitarian regime it had been the past four decades—only more modern and with a burgeoning economy.

These stark realities had many people questioning why we had developed such close relations with China in the first place.

AMERICA'S CHINA POLICY SOON after Tiananmen was influenced more by public outrage than it was by President Bush. At least four changes in America's policy resulted from the ugly incident: 1) Ban on high-level contacts between U.S. and China; 2) strict trade sanctions; 3) U.S.-led freeze on international loans for China; and 4) ban on military contacts. Most of these restrictions, however,

barely outlasted public outrage.

China was quietly approved for most-favored-nation status shortly after the massacre. And within weeks, Bush lifted the ban on high-level contacts when he secretly sent his national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, and the deputy secretary of state, Lawrence Eagleburger, to Beijing for talks. The press did not discover the July meeting until December that year, after Bush had sent them both to Beijing *again* trying to prevent relations from deteriorating.

Bush also relaxed trade sanctions within weeks of the massacre. He approved the sale of four Boeing jet engines in July, allowed Chinese officials to go back to work at the Grumman plant in Long Island (a project designed to upgrade China's aging air force) in October, and approved the export of two Hughes Aircraft satellites to China in December.

As for the international loan freeze, Bush opened the door for that to resume six months after Tiananmen. In less than three years, Beijing had the

same line of credit it had before Tiananmen.

While major fault lines shifted in 1989 to forever alter the course of international relations, President Bush seemed to resist change. Others were far more concerned about what these realities meant for Sino-American relations. For that reason, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee summoned Lawrence Eagleburger for testimony on February 7, 1990. Eagleburger admitted that the dramatic reforms occurring in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union had "altered the strategic scene." But, while Soviet-American relations had been altered, relations with China had not, he said.

That may have been true. The question is, however, *why*? If China had a pitiful human rights record and the Soviet threat was gone, why continue such close relations? According to Eagleburger, because of the "proliferation of missiles and nuclear weapons, chemical weapons proliferation and environmental pollution." James Mann, in his 1998 book *About Face*, succinctly summarized what this testimony meant concerning America's new China policy. "China was now important to the United States not because of the help it could provide (against the Soviet Union), but because of the potential harm it might do (by exporting missiles and nuclear technology)." In other words, *before* we needed China to counterweigh the Soviets; *now* we needed close relations so they would not proliferate dangerous weapons.

Not all politicians agreed with this policy revision. In fact, the Tiananmen massacre generated impassioned debate in Washington. It became a pivotal campaign issue. Democrats scathingly rebuked the president for being soft on China. Most of them wanted heavy restrictions to accompany China's most-favored-nation status. They wanted China's MFN renewed each year only if Beijing showed real signs of improving their human rights record.

One of Bush's foremost critics was Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton. In a 1991 speech, Clinton excoriated Bush for *coddling* China "despite its continuing crackdown on democratic reform, its brutal subjugation of Tibet, its irresponsible export of nuclear and missile technology, its support for the homicidal Khmer Rouge in Cambodia, and its abusive trade practices." A year later, Clinton said Bush's refusal to apply cer-

tain restrictions to China's MFN status was "unconscionable."

This verbal diatribe continued throughout the campaign.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE forces at work when the cold war ended. With the Soviet threat gone, the United States slashed the Pentagon's defense spending. That left the defense industry looking for new customers. Meanwhile, by 1993, China had the fastest-growing economy in the world. It was pocketing an annual trade surplus of \$15 billion from the United States. It had tripled its defense spending over pre-cold war levels. Above all, it was still intent on becoming a legitimate world power by century's end. And when the Gulf War broke out in 1991, China watched closely, seeing how far it still had to go to modernize.

Enter the Clinton administration, whose campaign slogan had been, "It's the economy, stupid."

After being sworn into office in January 1993, President Clinton set out to toughen up on China. In May 1993, he issued an executive order which connected China's trade benefits to human rights. China would have to meet certain obligations each year before its most-favored-nation status could be renewed.

Three months later, Clinton slapped sanctions on China for shipping M-11 missile parts to Pakistan. This restricted China from importing certain kinds of "dual use" technology, like high-speed computers and satellites.

Nine months after being sworn in, however, Clinton's knees buckled under pressure from big business, including the defense industry, which was anxious to burst into China's incredible market of 1.2 billion people. In a stunning reversal, Clinton scrapped his campaign rhetoric. He called MFN restrictions "outdated," insisting the only way to encourage China to improve human rights and to stop shipping conventional weapons to rogue states was to strengthen diplomatic ties further. His new initiative eventually became known as a "policy of engagement"—a "strategic partnership."

YOU PROBABLY REMEMBER STORIES from a few years back about the post-cold-war proliferation of dangerous weapons. When the Soviet states disbanded, scores of nuclear warheads were found missing.

Russian scientists and physicists lost their jobs. Reports surfaced that some left their country to help rogue states like Iran develop nuclear programs. On top of that, Russia was out of money and had lots of military hardware. It became their most valuable export.

What you probably did not read about, however, was how the United States contributed just as much, if not more, to this proliferation of modern weapons. It was just done under a different name. Russia sold hardware. America sold technology—or, in some cases, *gave it away*.

Before the cold war, America guarded its technological secrets more closely than gold at Fort Knox. The business community did not complain much about trade restrictions because of the Pentagon's fat budget. (It was a big enough customer.) When all that changed, trade barriers collapsed like the Berlin Wall.

From 1993 to 1998, the Clinton administration brought about the most sweeping deregulation of export controls in American history. Prior to 1993, U.S. companies had to seek export licenses from the government for all products that could be used for military purposes, like supercomputers, nuclear power plants and satellites. That way, even if the Pentagon granted the license, at least it was easier to track the item.

After 1993, the burden of tracking items used for suspicious purposes fell upon the *businesses selling them*. Today, after a series of scandals and investigations, the administration has been forced to reconsider its lax export security. Senior officials now acknowledge that the president often changed the rules *without even consulting national security experts or intelligence officials!*

One embarrassing episode, which hit newspapers last year, concerned two American satellite makers, Loral Space and Communications and Hughes Electronics. Both companies benefited from the relaxed controls. And both companies, according to the Pentagon, committed at least *three major security breaches*. Beijing had been unsuccessful in trying to launch American satellites aboard its own rockets. (These are the same kind of rockets that could be used to launch nuclear warheads.) After one rocket blew up shortly after take-off, China solicited help from the U.S. satellite makers. They were more than

<p>1989 New president confident to strengthen ties with Beijing.</p>	<p>1992 China caught smuggling parts for its M-11 missiles into Pakistan.</p>	<p>1993 President Clinton softens MFN requirements and begins "policy of engagement."</p>	<p>1994 Clinton eliminates virtually all export controls.</p>	<p>1997 Clinton agrees to sell nuclear reactors and technology to China.</p>
	<p>1991 Arkansas Governor Clinton condemns Bush for his tolerance of China.</p>			<p>1998 Clinton is the first U.S. president to visit China since Tiananmen. He assures China publicly that the U.S. would oppose Taiwan.</p>
<p>1989 Massacre results in major policy changes that last only a few weeks.</p>	<p>1991 China discovered supplying arms to Pakistan, Syria, Iran, and U.S. does not sever relations.</p>		<p>1995 Unprecedented visit of Taiwan's Lee Teng-hui to U.S. irks China.</p>	
1989	1990	1991	1992	1993
<p>1989 Gorbachev visits Beijing to end Sino-Soviet strains.</p>		<p>1993 China, by now the fastest-growing economy, breaks an informal nuclear testing moratorium.</p>	<p>1995 China seizes Mischief Reef.</p>	
		<p>1989 Pro-democracy demonstration and massacre of thousands at Tiananmen Square.</p>		<p>1997 China receives Hong Kong from the British.</p>

willing to share technical expertise with Chinese scientists.

The Loral case is particularly dubious. During the seven years its chairman has known President Clinton, he has donated more than \$1.3 million to campaign funds. In 1996, Loral's chairman drafted a letter to the president urging him to transfer the job of export licensing on satellites from the State Department (responsible for defense) to the Commerce Department (responsible for *promoting* exports). Clinton's compliance, even against Warren Christopher's strong objection, not only made it easier to export satellite technology; it left critics wondering if presidential policy was for sale.

Last October, Congress reversed President Clinton's 1996 decision and moved licensing back to the State Department. They concluded that export controls to nations like China had been "significantly and *improperly* reduced over the years."

Consider supercomputers as just one example. According to *The American Spectator*, before strict computer

export controls were lifted in 1996, China had only three U.S.-made systems. Today, congressional sources estimate that China has over 600. (In 1998, of the 390 supercomputers America exported, *half* went to China.)

China, more than any other trade partner, has taken advantage of President Clinton's lax security measures.

We should note that Mr. Clinton did not lift the ban on *all* exports. U.S. companies still could not export ballistic missiles, spy satellites or advanced fighter technology. The only way China could get their hands on that kind of technology was to steal it.

WHAT STARTED AS A SMALL INVESTIGATION into two U.S. satellite companies in May 1998 quickly turned into an open can of worms. A select House committee finished a 700-page classified report on the investigation in December. That report, some of which will soon be declassified, uncovered a Chinese espionage ring responsible for stealing some of America's most sensitive technology, including nuclear

weapons design technology.

In March, the *New York Times* revealed just how deep the espionage had penetrated American security. James Risen and Jeff Gerth wrote that since the mid-1980s, China has been stealing secrets from the Los Alamos laboratory in New Mexico. "China's technical advance allows it to make mobile missiles, ballistic missiles with multiple warheads and small warheads for submarines—the main elements of a modern nuclear force." According to the article, U.S. intelligence had discovered a Chinese missile with a design remarkably similar to America's W-88—the most modern miniature warhead the U.S. has in its arsenal.

The day after the *Times* broke the story, two prominent presidential advisers, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger and Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, admitted there had been enormous lapses in security.

Newsweek followed the *Times* revelation three weeks later by blaring this headline: "The Penetration Is Total." It asserted that the espionage

CHINA ON THE MARCH

China's imperialist urges are becoming increasingly evident in Southeast Asia. The U.S. is looking the other direction.

TAKEOVER OF TAIWAN IMMINENT

TENSIONS OVER TAIWAN NEARLY ERUPTED INTO FULL-SCALE WAR IN 1995 after President Lee Teng-hui visited the United States for a college reunion. It was the first time a Taiwanese president ever set foot in America. Irked by Lee's visit and nervous about the upcoming elections in Taiwan, the PLA began a week-long series of military exercises off China's coast, just north of Taiwan.

In the lead-up to Taiwan's first democratic presidential elections in March 1996, China stepped up its threat by conducting "live-fire" warship exercises and practicing bombing runs south of the Taiwan Straits. Masses of troops gathered on China's coast, just across the Straits from Taiwan. China backed down after the U.S. sent two of its carrier groups to the Straits in support of Taiwan's thriving democracy.

Yet, behind the scenes, President Clinton had already told China, in secret, that he would 1) oppose Taiwanese independence, 2) would not support the creation of "two Chinas," and 3) would not support Taiwan's admission into the United Nations. These assurances, later to be known as the "three noes," were not formalized until Clinton's visit to Beijing in June 1998. He was the first U.S. president to ever state these objectives publicly.

With America's support for one Communist China now public, Taiwan's days as a freedom-loving democracy appear to be numbered. Obviously, the U.S. would prefer a peaceful takeover, similar to Hong Kong. But if Taiwan necessitates it, China is not unprepared for a forceful entry. Prior to the Taiwan Straits crisis in 1996, China had between 30 and 50 missiles aimed at Taiwan. Today, now that the crisis has "settled," they have 200 M-9 and M-11 missiles aimed at the island, with hopes of expanding the arsenal to 650 by 2005.

CHINA'S SOUTHERN EXPANSION

ANOTHER ARTICLE FROM THE *LONDON TELEGRAPH* SAYS THAT SINCE 1988, CHINA HAS progressively moved southward to occupy islands claimed by neighboring countries. One such example is the Mischief Reef in the Spratly Islands, located just off the coast of the Philippines. Nearly 1000 miles away from China's coastline, Beijing seized control of Mischief in 1995, and now lays claim to a large measure of sea space around the Spratlys. It has bluntly refused any request to negotiate with its neighbors over the territory. Just last year, China announced that it was proceeding with plans to build a military airstrip on Mischief. Strategically situated right in the middle of the South China Sea, the Spratlys are also believed to be rich in oil reserves. Other island clusters China has laid claim to in recent years include the Paracel and Diaoyutai.

Apart from bullying tactics, China has also won territorial concessions through negotiation. In 1997, the People's Liberation Army signed a treaty to obtain the Pacific island of Tarawa. The Chinese army base was up and running by the beginning of 1999 and now enables Beijing to more closely monitor U.S. forces in the Pacific.

Their most prized acquisition to this point has been Hong Kong, which the British handed over in 1997. In Hong Kong, China inherited one of the wealthiest trade centers in the world. Aside from the obvious economic benefits, Beijing delightedly moved its warships into the modern \$380 million naval base built by the British.

On the other side of the Pearl River delta, across from Hong Kong, China will soon grab the port of Macau. Portugal will return the enclave, and its half-million population, to Beijing in December.



damage was far worse than what the CIA first thought. The White House brushed the story aside as exaggeration.

Subsequent revelations, however, seemed only to confirm *Newsweek's* scoop. One month after the Los Alamos story broke, reports surfaced about the theft of neutron warhead technology (these bombs kill people but leave buildings intact). The April 8 *New York Times* said that after spies stole the information and then unsuccessfully tested the bomb in China, they came back to the States in 1995 to steal the information they were yet lacking.

On May 10, the *New York Times* unveiled another shocker. This time it concerned a spy who worked on a classified Pentagon project in 1997. The insider revealed to Beijing advanced radar technology which allows them to track submarines. Until now, the Pentagon has zealously guarded this technology because it gives the U.S. Navy an obvious advantage at sea.

Initially, the Clinton administration brushed aside these intelligence reports, saying there was no proof that the Chinese had deployed nuclear weapons that rely on stolen U.S. secrets. But according to another *Times* article, U.S. intelligence officials say Beijing is three or four years away from deploying its Dong Feng-31, "equipped with a small nuclear warhead whose

design uses secret American technology” (May 14).

Clearly, much of what the Chinese have *not* been able to buy for modernization, they have stolen. The question is, what do they intend to do with their arsenal, and will it threaten U.S. interests?

GOING BACK TO THE END OF THE cold war, you will remember how Lawrence Eagleburger redefined America’s purpose for maintaining close relations with China: for the sake of non-proliferation. Now consider the facts.

When President Reagan confronted China in 1987 about shipping arms to terrorist nations, they earnestly denied any wrongdoing—something they would become good at over the next decade, even when presented with irrefutable proof. Reagan sanctioned them in October 1987, only to lift the restrictions a month later upon receiving assurances from Beijing that there would be no illegal arms shipments.

Six months later, the U.S. caught China making deals with Saudi Arabia and Syria. As James Mann wrote, “China proved adept at parceling out concessions, making a series of promises, each slightly less vague than the last, often seeking something in exchange from the United States” (*About Face*, p. 171).

In 1991, the CIA confirmed reports that China was delivering missiles and military equipment to Pakistan, Syria and Iran, the latter two ardent supporters of international terrorism. After fielding repeated denials, the U.S. responded by applying limited sanctions. That brought China to the bargaining table where they agreed to comply with the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR), an agreement between the United States and six of its allies not to export missiles or missile systems. Bush lifted sanctions.

A year and a half later, U.S. intelligence caught China smuggling parts for its M-11 missiles into Pakistan, a clear violation of the MTCR agreement. President Clinton inherited this problem in 1993 and applied sanctions. In November that year, Clinton lifted them, agreeing to sell China a sophisticated \$8 million supercomputer. He also lifted a ban that made it difficult for China to construct nuclear power plants. This despite clear evidence, says the *New York Times*, “that China has

broken its promises to Washington by exporting M-11 missile components and technology to Pakistan.”

The U.S. protested further about Beijing exporting nuclear weapons technology to Pakistan in 1996. The following year, the CIA discovered that Iran was receiving equipment for chemical weapons from Chinese firms using front companies in Hong Kong (before Hong Kong was handed over to China). When Clinton agreed to sell U.S. nuclear reactors and technology to China in October of 1997, he wanted assurances that Beijing would stop supplying Iran and Pakistan with chemical and nuclear weapons technology and equipment. In effect, the president had made further concessions for a promise that **HAD BEEN MADE (and broken) REPEATEDLY OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS!**

America’s policy of engagement for the purpose of non-proliferation has failed. It has not stopped proliferation of dangerous weapons. It has not improved China’s human rights record. It has not put a lid on China’s massive arms build-up. It has not stopped China from becoming a bully in Southeast Asia. And above all, the policy of engagement has not helped Sino-American relations. It has made them worse.

IT’S TIME FOR AMERICA TO WAKE UP TO what it has created in Southeast Asia—a monster. As the *London Telegraph* declared in a story three years ago, “The dragon has woken and is turning away from its land frontiers towards the open ocean. China’s aging leaders are backing a huge program of sea and air military expansion that is aimed at making China the dominant naval power in the western Pacific within 20 years” (Oct. 13, 1996). As Gene Hogberg noted back in 1978, China thinks long-term! There is a reason why they are building their forces at such break-neck speed. U.S. leadership should be sounding the alarm right now—alerting our peoples to a very real threat developing across the Pacific!

“They intend to dominate the waters off the country’s coastline out to 1000 nautical miles by the year 2010,” the *Telegraph* continues, “enveloping Japan, the Philippines and the South China Sea. A decade on, the Chinese intend to be in the blue waters of the ‘outer island chain’—or as far as Darwin, Australia”!

Now that poses a very real threat to

U.S. interests because *America* is currently the dominant naval power in the western Pacific. What kind of *strategic* “partnership” is America involved in anyway?

China has even uttered threats that reach far beyond U.S. interests in the western Pacific. In 1995, an officer of the PLA told a former State Department specialist that the U.S. would *not* intervene in an armed conflict over Taiwan because America “will not sacrifice Los Angeles”—a not-so-subtle threat of nuclear war. Two years later, the CIA confirmed that 13 of China’s intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs), equipped with nuclear warheads, were pointed at the United States.

Yet American leadership continues along, basing its foreign policy on greed and the naive notion that world conditions are generally improving. Concerning China, American leaders have ignored the plain facts and have forgotten history. They have forgotten that the world’s most populated nation was also one of the most advanced just a few centuries ago. They have forgotten that China has always considered itself the “Middle Kingdom”—the center of the world. They have forgotten that Mao Tsetung, the man Henry Kissinger said radiated “authority and deep wisdom,” murdered over 20 million of his own people. They have forgotten China’s stated objectives to be a genuine world power by the year 2000—a superpower by 2050. They have ignored the fact that China does not accept international law. And they have ignored the fact that China hates America and its policy.

When Mao Tsetung died, he left behind a poor, poverty-stricken country that had little exposure to the outside world. Now, almost 25 years later, China has nearly achieved its goal of becoming a world power—thanks, in large part, to America’s shallow, short-sighted leadership. **CHINESE GENIUS HAS BEEN FEEDING ON WESTERN TECHNOLOGY—and Western weakness!** And Beijing will continue feeding on that U.S. benevolence until it runs dry or until they do not need it anymore. The events surrounding NATO’s bombing of China’s embassy in Belgrade gave us a brief glimpse of that eventuality. If you noticed, after the bombing, it was *China* who sanctioned the U.S.—suspending diplomatic relations, military contacts and human rights discussions. Twenty years ago something like that

never would have happened because China needed America too much to further its ambitions.

WHERE IS THIS ALL LEADING? Without the Bible, it would be impossible to understand. But when you understand who biblical Israel is today (mainly the United States and Britain) and what God prophesies about Israel for this end time, it makes perfect sense.

God said in Isaiah 3 that at the end of this age, there would be a crisis in Israel's leadership—one so severe that it would lead our peoples into captivity. One of the names God labels that soon-coming time period is the "times of the Gentiles" (Luke 21:24). What we are witnessing, especially beginning with the seismic shifts that took place between 1989 and 1991, is a complete reversal of power. Israel used to be the "head," God says in Deuteronomy 28. But because they have forsaken God, they have become the tail—and the strangers, or Gentile nations, have become the head.

God is now raising a conglomerate of Gentile peoples in the heart of Europe, led by Germany, to correct His wayward people of Israel. That coming captivity, referred to in dozens of prophecies, is called the Great Tribulation.

But other Gentile nations also play significant roles in end-time events—including China. The Bible says that toward the end of the Tribulation, the European beast power will turn its attention east, away from Israel (already defeated by then) because of rumblings out of Asia (Dan. 11:44). By then, Russia and China will be completely united as one gigantic Communist Asian front. Fearing the powerful Asian alliance, Europe will lash out against them, setting off a final firestorm of fury just before Christ returns. In response, the Asian hordes will strike back at the beast power, dealing a devastating, near-death blow to Europe.

Then, finally, these two future superpowers will gather in a place called "Armageddon," mentioned in Revelation 16:16. People often refer to this biblical reference without ever looking at what that passage really says.

In verse 12, God says He will dry up the Euphrates River so that He might gather these two great powers—the Asian hordes and the European beast power. In Revelation 9:14-16, God says

the size of this Asian army will number 200 million men—a number that seems inconceivable, but not when you add China's 1.2 billion people with Russia's 150 million, along with several smaller nations in Asia that will undoubtedly join the alliance.

Combining recent events with what God prophesies, makes the picture clear. China will soon use its terrible weapons of mass destruction—not against America, as some might think—but against Europe.

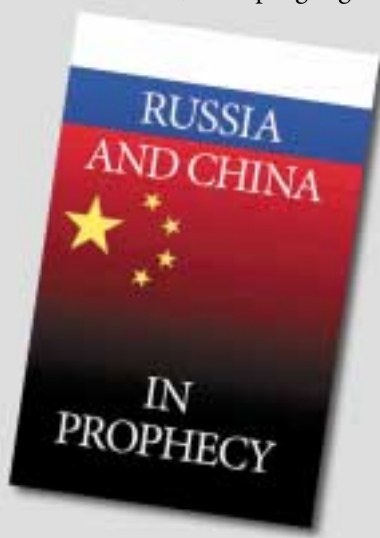
So what is behind America's three-decade relationship of engagement with China? Was it to build a hedge against Soviet expansion? To stop proliferation? Was it motivated purely by greed and shallow leadership? These are all right answers, viewing it from man's perspective.

But behind all of this is GOD'S HAND. God has a plan that will be carried out with preciseness and detail, right up to the return of His Son, Jesus Christ. God will use the European Union to correct his people Israel once the Tribulation begins. But then He will use the Asian hordes to correct Europe.

China's miraculous catapult to the forefront of the world's stage, thanks in large part to America's help, means we are much closer than you probably realize to the ultimate fulfillment of God's end-time prophecies. ♦

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I JUST RECEIVED THE TRUMPET. I WANT to express the thoughts that came to mind without any pretense. Having being exposed to traditional Christianity for a great period of my life, I find that your expositions of the Bible truths, held against the bewildering and conflicting background of the fast-changing world, to be precise, thought provoking and in complete accord with the principles laid down in the Bible. Your approach is fresh and vibrant, your articles are carefully documented with historical facts and you quote profusely from the Bible to support your claims.

We are being fed with concocted lies, vacuous dribble and blatant misrepresentations in the media and on TV, and I hope that the voice of the *Trumpet* will ring in the ears of the world.

Negombo, Sri Lanka

THANK GOD THAT ALL OF THESE RECENT world-shaking events are giant signals of the "True World" which will be born soon. After all, it would be utterly foolish for one to believe that a world that helps exacerbate small preventable problems could travail much longer.

Newcastle, Australia

I HAVE BEEN ONE OF YOUR REGULAR READERS in South Africa for maybe the last ten years, and it has indeed been very interesting. I have also read some of your excellent books by Mr. Armstrong—these are truly a revelation to mankind.

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Zenag, Papua New Guinea

I AM WRITING THIS LETTER TO THANK YOU for my *Trumpet*. It really made me understand the Bible and its prophecies more, and I believe them. I thank God that there is a ministry out there trying to warn people to repent of their sins.

Suva, Fiji

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ANDREW LOCHER

The Wake of a Storm

What can we learn from killer weather disasters?

NATURAL DISASTERS BRING back the stark realization of just how puny man is. The power of nature is well beyond that of mankind. Remember the impact of last year's El Niño phenomena: Some of the worst disasters of the century—floods, firestorms, tornadoes, droughts—all made headlines and upset lives around the world.

But how long does the realization last? After a few months of relative calm, we are lulled back into complacency.

Throughout May 3 in Oklahoma City, I watched news weathermen sound tornado warnings on television. "Take these storms seriously," they pleaded. Still, though the warnings came early and often, nothing could have prepared us for the devastation about to occur.

As the storms moved to the north and east, clearing skies illuminated the results of a deadly F5 tornado (the most destructive on the Fujita scale, with winds between 261 to 318 miles per hour) which ripped through 19 miles of metropolitan Oklahoma City. With a path of destruction a mile wide, nothing was left standing in the 60-mile long path of this deadly twister. The devastation was unimaginable. Though the intensity of the storms was not unheard of, what made these storms different was their course through densely populated areas.

"It's all gone," residents declared, referring to their personal property. Undoubtedly thankful to be alive, yet disheartened at their personal loss, dazed victims roamed the streets after the storm, taking in the devastation. Thousands of homes and businesses lay in rubble across the state.

All told, that fateful Monday-night storm generated an outbreak of 76 tornadoes across the fertile plains of central Oklahoma and Kansas: one of the top-ten worst ever in the U.S. It was the sixth-most-deadly tornado attack in Oklahoma history.

The storm system was said to have amazed veteran meteorologists. Dr. Baker of the Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Okla., admitted, "It is sobering to realize that even with all of our research and technology, we are...essentially powerless in the face of such violent tornadoes."



PICKING UP THE PIECES A boy finds an old toy in the rubble of his home in Moore, Okla.

TRUMPET

Though not a popular message, the *Trumpet* tells its subscribers why "natural disasters" happen. In Isaiah 29:6 we are warned, "Thou shalt be visited of the Lord of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire." The word "visited" would be better translated "punished." God is sending these curses upon mankind in general, but more specifically against the nations of Israel, to turn them back to Him.

Turning to God in a time of disaster is natural. But God wants us to rely on Him through the good times as well. We have enjoyed peace and abundance for centuries, but in the course of all these blessings, we have forgotten where they came from.

Abraham Lincoln noted that fact almost a century and a half ago when he proclaimed a national day for prayer and fasting. "We have been the recipients of the choicest blessings of heaven," he said. "We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and

power as no other nation ever has grown; but we have forgotten God! We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own."

This great American president knew the source of our blessings. When the nation was under such inspired leadership, the people prospered. That is not to say disasters never occurred, but certainly not with as much regularity and intensity.

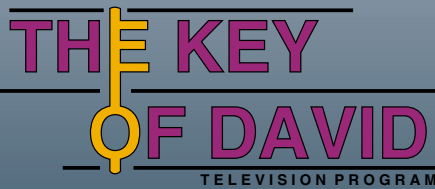
Today, thanks to press coverage of the Oklahoma City tragedy, we are all familiar with the scenes of devastation. Perhaps now, many more will take warnings issued by the National Weather Service seriously. Hundreds of lives were undoubtedly saved by early warning broadcasts from the NWS and news media.

But just think about how many more lives would be spared if all men would heed the early warning broadcast of Jesus Christ.



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