

# The Coming Judgment Of The Church

For the time has come for judgment to begin at  
the house of God

1 Peter 4:17

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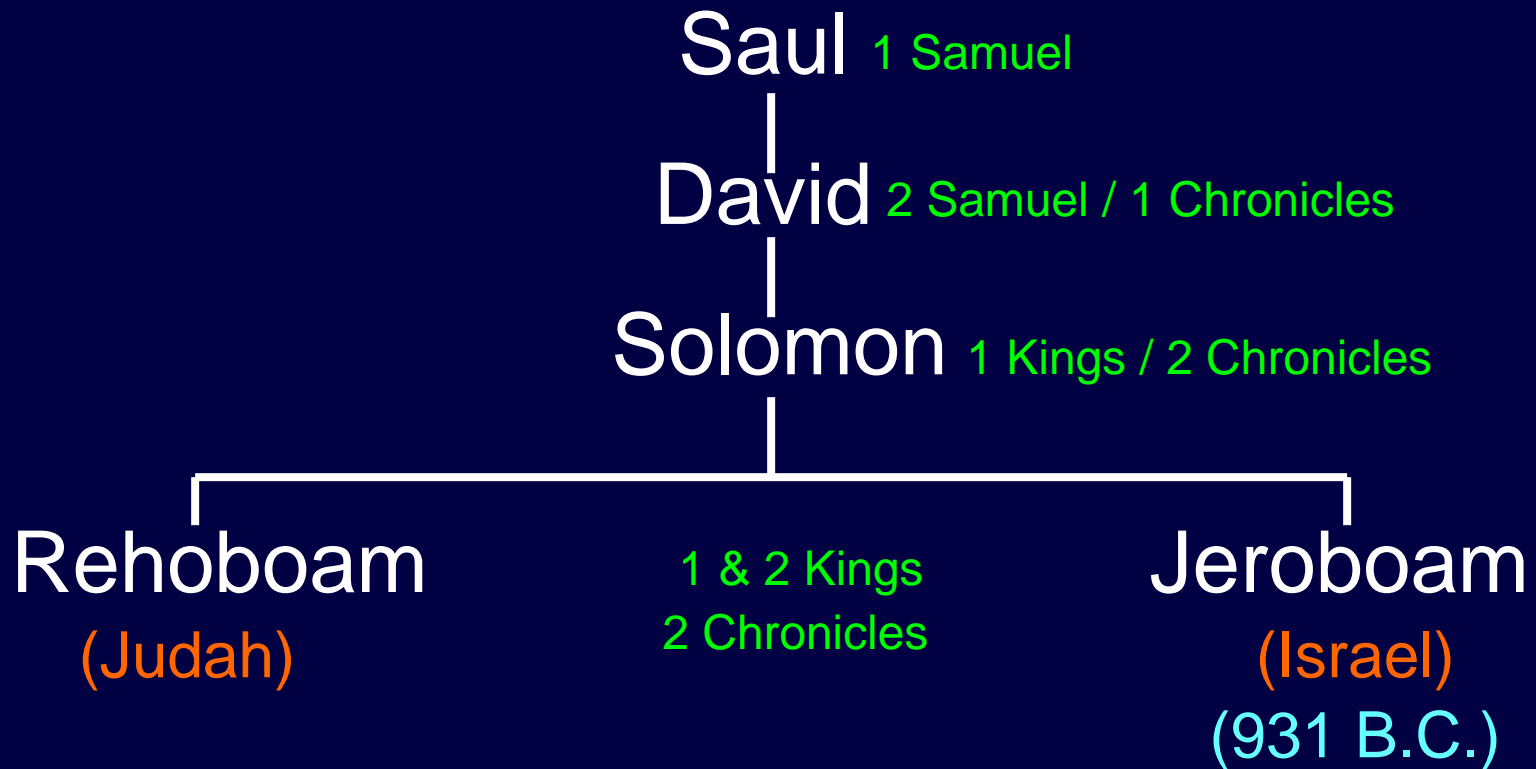
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# 1 Kings 11

Solomon's Apostacy & the  
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# The History of Israel & Judah





# Israel

## The Northern Kingdom (Ten Tribes)

# Judah

## The Southern Kingdom (Two Tribes)



# The History of the Kings Judah

Rehoboam 17y

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(Eliakim) Jehoiakim 11y

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# The History of the Kings of Israel

Jeroboam 22y (931 B.C.)

Nadab 2y

Baasha 24y

Elah 2y

Zimri 1wk

Tibni

Omri 12y

Elijah

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Ahaziah 2y

Elisha

Jehoram 12y

Jehu ?y

Jehoahaz 17y

Joash 16y

Jeroboam ?y

Zachariah 6mth

Shallum 1mth

Menahem 10y

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(722 B.C.)

Elisha

Hosea / Amos





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The future of the church seen  
through the history of Israel



# History Repeating

9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

**Ecclesiastes 1:9**

"Man learns from history that man learns nothing from history."

Hegel

# History Repeating

<sup>1</sup> But there **were false prophets** also among the people, **even as there shall be** false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. <sup>2</sup> And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

**2 Peter 2:1-2**

# Jeremiah

The Weeping Prophet

# Enter... Jeremiah

<sup>1</sup> The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin: <sup>2</sup> To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. <sup>3</sup> It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month.

Jeremiah 1:1-3



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# The Final Kings of Judah

Josiah

Died in battle against Pharaoh Necho

Jehoahaz

Taken to Egypt by Pharaoh Necho

Jehoiakim

Died aged 36

Jehoiachin

Reigned 3 months

Taken to Babylon

Zedekiah

Appointed by Nebuchadnezzar

Reigned 11 years

Finally taken captive in final siege

# Jeremiah's Call

<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, <sup>5</sup> Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

**Jeremiah 1:4-5**

# Jeremiah's Concern

<sup>6</sup> Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child. <sup>7</sup> But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak. <sup>8</sup> Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

**Jeremiah 1:6-8**



# Jeremiah's Comfort

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth. <sup>10</sup> See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.

Jeremiah 1:9-10

# The Watcher

<sup>11</sup> Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree. <sup>12</sup> Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

**Jeremiah 1:11-12**

# Judgment is coming

<sup>13</sup> And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof is toward the north. <sup>14</sup> Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.

**Jeremiah 1:13-14**

# Why Judgment?

<sup>15</sup> For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah. <sup>16</sup> And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

**Jeremiah 1:15-16**



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## Ingredients of worship

*When you come to design a service, you will need a whole range of ingredients, which belong to one or more of the following categories:*

- **WORD-BASED ingredients** - such as poems, prayers, meditations, song lyrics, incantations, chants, responses
- **SYMBOL-BASED ingredients** - on video, in sculpture, on paper, in gesture, in dance, in artifacts
- **ACTION-BASED ingredients** - creative activities, devotional acts (anointing, candle-lighting, etc), writing, praying aloud, singing, walking around, mime, body-sculpture, circus arts (juggling, firebreathing, etc)
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- **TACTILE/OLFACTORY-BASED ingredients** - anointing, laying-on of hands, incense, holding stones and other natural objects, molding clay, handwashing

# Love of espousal?

<sup>1</sup> Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, <sup>2</sup> Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown.

**Jeremiah 2:1-2**

# Love of espousal?

<sup>1</sup> Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst *of the seven golden candlesticks*;...<sup>4</sup> Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

Rev 2:1,4



# Priests & Pastors

8 The priests said not, Where is the LORD? and they that handle the law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit.

**Jeremiah 2:8**

# They that handle the law knew Me not

A major national poll...by one of America's leading researchers.. commissioned by AiG [Answers in Genesis]...as a follow-up to the results of an alarming Barna Research poll of 2002 and a Southern Baptist poll... clearly shows that ...many have left the church because they no longer believe the Bible is the absolute Word of God

Source: Ken Ham, Answers Update, Vol 13:11:2

# Pastors transgressed against Me

How do mainline Protestant clergy stand on theological issues such as biblical infallibility? Many take a decidedly nonconformist view, according to a survey of 7,441 ministers conducted by sociologist Jeffrey Haden.

Here are the percentages of ministers who answered “No” to the following questions, by denomination:

Question: *Do you accept Jesus' physical resurrection as a fact?*

Methodist ministers 51% / Episcopalian ministers 35% / American Baptist ministers 33% / Presbyterian ministers, 30% / American Lutheran ministers, 13%

Question: *Do you believe in the virgin birth of Jesus?*

Methodist ministers 60% / Presbyterian ministers, 49% / Episcopalian ministers 44% / American Baptist ministers 34% / American Lutheran ministers, 19%

Question: *Do you believe the scriptures are the inerrant work of God in faith, history and secular matters?*

Episcopalian ministers 95% / Methodist ministers 87% / Presbyterian ministers, 82% / American Lutheran ministers, 77% / American Baptist ministers 67%

# Broken Cisterns

<sup>12</sup> Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the LORD. <sup>13</sup> For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Jeremiah 2:12-13

# Broken Cisterns

SV - 1993

## Scholars Version (The Five Gospels)

Four Gospels, Gospel of Thomas

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The sub-heading is: "The Search for the Authentic Words of Jesus." This new translation and commentary was prepared by Robert W. Funk, Roy W. Hoover, and the Jesus Seminar.

This is the collective report of gospel scholars working closely together for six years on a common question: "What did Jesus really say?" The Fellows and the Jesus Seminar represent a wide array of Western religious traditions and academic institutions and have been trained in the best universities of North America and Europe.

First, they inventoried all the surviving ancient texts for words attributed to Jesus. Next, they examined those words in the several ancient languages in which they have been preserved. Then, they produced a translation of all the gospels, known as the Scholars Version. Finally, they studied, debated, and voted on each of the more than 1,500 sayings in the inventory.

They used a color-coding of the translation of Jesus' words. Those words that are most probably spoken by Jesus are in red. Those that are less certain in being traced back to Jesus or have suffered modification in transmission are in pink. Those that did not originate with Jesus though they may reflect his ideas are in grey. Those that were given to Jesus to speak by his admirers (a few by his enemies) and are, therefore, inauthentic are in bold black. Explanations for the reasoning are given throughout.

# Broken Cisterns

NTUV - 1995

New International Version

## New Testament: An Understandable Version

New Covenant

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William Paul, the translator, states that the purpose of this New Testament version is "to enhance the personal understanding and spiritual devotion of its publisher, his family members, and those persons especially interested in Bible versions." He acknowledges that the text does not guarantee to be exactly what the Holy Spirit inspired the original writers to record, but rather represents what he, the translator, understands those writers to be saying.

The version was produced by consulting the Greek text, notably in the Nestle-Aland 26th corrected edition (1986), and the United Bible Societies' 4th corrected edition (1993); also several Greek-English interlinear texts, and a large number of English translations. The meaning of each word was then confirmed from exegetical commentaries. Atlases and other reference works were used "to confirm historical, geographical, cultural, circumstantial and theological details." A list of reference works used is available on request.

Apart from chapter headings, no section headings or sub-headings are used in the text. Verse numbers follow the standard pattern; paragraph breaks appear to be the publisher's own. Simple explanatory notes appear - in small type and enclosed in square brackets - in appropriate places in the text. These provide helpful historical, geographical, cultural, or theological information, rendering the text accessible to the non-specialist reader.



# Broken Cisterns

NIV - 1978

## New International Version

Old Covenant

New Covenant

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This is a completely new translation of the Holy Bible done by over one hundred scholars. It followed several years of exploratory study by committees from the Christian Reformed Church and the National Association of Evangelicals. There were participants from the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand in the translating process. The denominations included Anglican, Assemblies of God, Baptist, Brethren, Christian Reformed, Church of Christ, Evangelical Free, Lutheran, Mennonite, Methodist, Nazarene, Presbyterian, Wesleyan, and others.

Each book was translated by a team of scholars. An Intermediate Editorial Committee revised their work. A General Editorial Committee checked it in detail and revised again. The Committee on Bible Translation reviewed, revised, then released the translation for publication.

The goals were that the translation would be accurate and have clarity and literary quality so as to be suitable for reading, teaching, preaching, memorizing, and liturgical use. A concern was that the English be idiomatic but not idiosyncratic, contemporary but not dated.

Texts used for the Old Testament included the latest *Biblia Hebraica*, *Dead Sea Scrolls*, *Samaritan Pentateuch*, ancient scribal traditions, *Septuagint*, *Vulgate*, *Syriac Peshitta*, *Targums*, *Juxta Hebraica*, and others. For the New Testament, the best current Greek New Testament texts were used.

# Broken Cisterns

AIV - 1995

## An Inclusive Version

Psalms

New Covenant

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This revolutionary new version, adapted from the [New Revised Standard Version](#) and edited by six scholars -- three men and three women -- pushes the English language to new levels of inclusive expression. This work addresses such issues as race, gender, and ethnicity more directly than ever before.

There are two reasons for this new version. The languages into which the Bible is rendered are changing. New manuscripts are discovered that are older and more reliable, and new investigations into the meanings of words reveal that more accurate renderings are possible.

People who have disabilities are not referred to as "the blind" or "the lame," but as "people who are blind" or "those who are lame." Because the church does not assume that God is a male being, in this version God is never referred to by a masculine pronoun, or by any pronoun at all. As the church does not believe that God is literally a father and understands "Father" to be a metaphor, "Father" is rendered in this version by a new metaphor, "Father-Mother." When Jesus is called "Son of God" or "Son of the Blessed One," and the maleness of the historical person Jesus is not relevant, but the "Son's" intimate relation to the "Father" is being spoken about, the formal equivalent "Child" is used for "Son," and gender-specific pronouns referring to the "Child" are avoided. This version uses "the Human One" as a formal equivalent to "the Son of Man." In the genealogy that begins the Gospel of Matthew, women's names, where they are known, have been added, e.g., David and Bathsheba, the wife of Uriah, were the parents of Solomon. These are a few examples of changes made in this version.

**T**he Renovare Spiritual Formation *Bible*  
with Richard Foster and Eugene Peterson

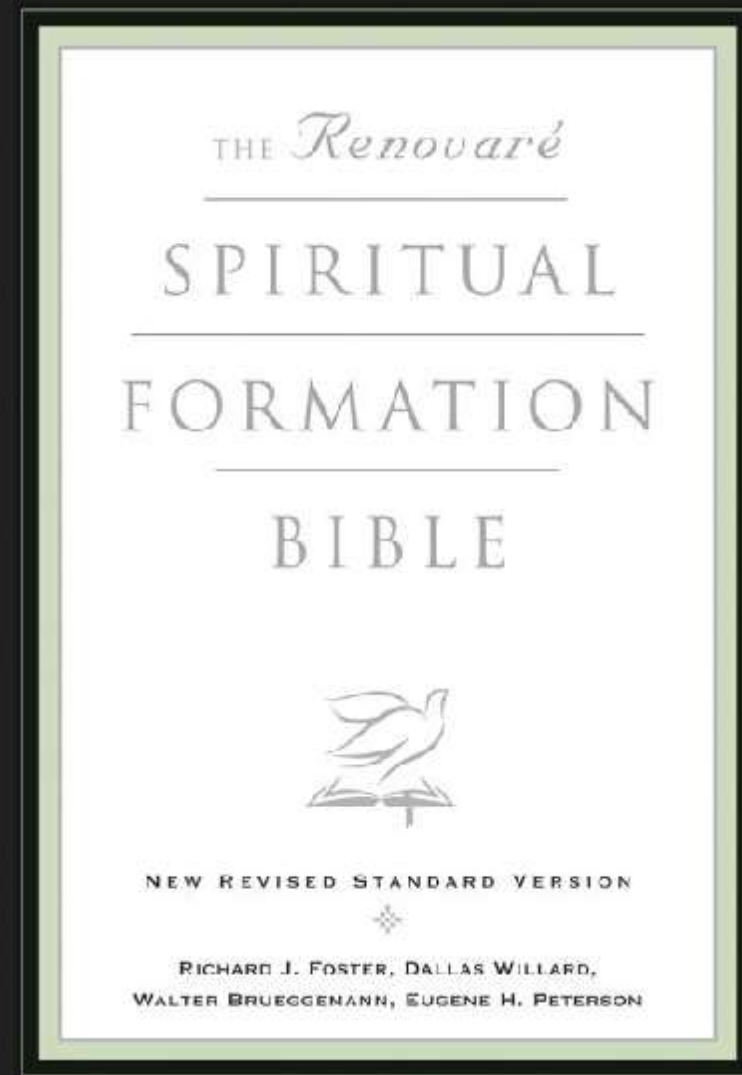
# Renovare

A Richard Foster Bible called the Renovare Study Bible, has been released by Harper SF in 2005. The Renovare "Bible" focuses on Richard Foster's six disciplines (from his book **Streams of Living Waters**), one of which is the contemplative practice. Thomas Kelly is quoted in that book as saying:

"Deep within us all [all human beings] there is an amazing inner sanctuary of the soul, a holy place, a Divine Center"

**See Sample** of the Renovare Study Bible

Edited and compiled by universalists, catholics and contemplatives, this bible will be read by thousands of evangelical Christians.



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We used this book for a gift for a high school graduate and will use it again with future graduates. It was also recommended by our pastor. The commentary is excellent for young people seeking to make their way through the world in a way that is pleasing to God.

# Degenerate Plant

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<sup>31</sup> Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:<sup>32</sup> Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

**Matt 13:31-32**

# Uncleansable?

<sup>22</sup> For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, yet thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.

**Jeremiah 2:22**

<sup>18</sup> Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

**Isaiah 1:18**



# ...like a thief?

<sup>26</sup>As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,

**Jeremiah 2:26**

# ...like a thief?

3 Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Rev 3:3

# ...like a thief?

<sup>3</sup> For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. <sup>4</sup> But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

1 Thess 5:3-4

# The Greatest Insult?

<sup>27</sup> Saying to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us.

**Jeremiah 2:27**

# “Arise, and save us”

<sup>22</sup> Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? <sup>23</sup> And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Matt 7:22-23

cf. Jeremiah 2:22 – *‘thine iniquity is marked before Me’*

# “I am innocent...I have not sinned”

<sup>35</sup> Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.

**Jeremiah 2:35**



# “I am innocent...I have not sinned”

<sup>17</sup> Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

Rev 3:17

# “I am innocent...I have not sinned”

<sup>1</sup> Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; <sup>2</sup> Speaking lies in hypocrisy; **having their conscience seared with a hot iron;**

1 Tim 4:1-2

# Judgment Will Come

4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou art the guide of my youth?

5 Will he reserve his anger for ever? will he keep it to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done evil things as thou couldest.

**Jeremiah 3:4-5**

# Enter... The Catholic Church

<sup>6</sup> The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot. <sup>7</sup> And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.

**Jeremiah 3:6-7**

# The Harlot

<sup>1</sup> And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon *many waters*: ... <sup>4</sup> And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

Rev 17:1-4

# A Chance To Repent

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Jeremiah 3:6-7



# A Chance To Repent

<sup>18</sup> And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

<sup>21</sup> ~~And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.~~

Rev 2:18,21

# Enter...The Protestant Church

<sup>8</sup> And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. <sup>9</sup> And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks. <sup>10</sup> And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD.

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Jeremiah 3:8-10

# The Protestant Church

<sup>1</sup> And unto the angel of the church in **Sardis** write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead. <sup>2</sup> Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: **for I have not found thy works perfect** before God.

Rev 3:1-2

# Thyatira vs. Sardis

<sup>11</sup> And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

Jeremiah 3:11

**Thyatira (Catholic)** – *“I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.”*

(Rev 2:19)

**Sardis (Protestant)** – Nothing good said!



# The Protestant Church (aka Judah)

Pope Benedict XVI and Anglican leader Rowan Williams acknowledged there were "serious obstacles" to closer ties between their churches, a blunt reference to Vatican disapproval of gay bishops, women priests and blessings of same-sex unions in the Anglican church. Benedict and the Archbishop of Canterbury, talking privately in the papal library and then praying together in a chapel, came together Thursday to celebrate 40 years of dialogue aimed at uniting the churches split apart in 1534 by King Henry VIII's anger over the Vatican's refusal to annul his marriage.



(Source – USA Today, Posted 11/23/2006)



# A Remnant

4 Thou hast a few names ~~even~~ in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. 5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Rev 3:4-5

# Message to the Bride

<sup>14</sup> Turn, O backsliding **children**, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: <sup>15</sup> And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 3:14-15

# Come out of her...

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

Rev 18:4

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Jeremiah 3:14-15

# Salvation from the hills?

<sup>20</sup> Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.

<sup>23</sup> Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel.

**Jeremiah 3:20-23**

# Seeds, Thorns & Judgment

<sup>3</sup> For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns. <sup>4</sup> Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings.

**Jeremiah 4:3-4**



# Seeds, Thorns & Judgment

**20** But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; **21** Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended. **22** He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. **23** But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

**Matt 13:20-23**

# Seeds, Thorns & Judgment

<sup>38</sup> The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; <sup>39</sup> The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. <sup>40</sup> As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. <sup>41</sup> The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; <sup>42</sup> And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Matt 13:38-42

# A Place Prepared

<sup>5</sup> Declare ye in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: cry, gather together, and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities. <sup>6</sup> Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction.

Jeremiah 4:5-6

# A Place Prepared

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

**Psalm 27:5**

# A Place Prepared

9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

1 Thess 5:9

36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

Luke 21:36

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

John 14:3

# Coming...ready or not!

<sup>7</sup> The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant. <sup>8</sup> For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from us. <sup>9</sup> And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.



# Nowhere to run

<sup>15</sup> And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; <sup>16</sup> And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: <sup>17</sup> For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Rev 6:15-17

# Does God Deceive?

<sup>10</sup> Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.

**Jeremiah 4:10**

# Does God Deceive?

<sup>11</sup> And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: <sup>12</sup> That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

2 Thess 2:11-12

<sup>28</sup> And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

Romans 1:28

# The Coming Judgment

Jeremiah

4:11-31

# Denial of God's Word

<sup>12</sup> They have belied the LORD, and said, It is not he; neither shall evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine: <sup>13</sup> And the prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

**Jeremiah 5:12-13**

# Denial of God's Word

<sup>10</sup> To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.

**Jeremiah 6:10**

*“The trouble with you is that you put too much trust in that book” – Minister of a church*



# Peace, Peace

<sup>13</sup> For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

<sup>14</sup> They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

**Jeremiah 6:13-14**

# Peace, Peace

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

1 Thess 5:3

## Neale Donald Walsch Peace Plan

"In October, 2005 Neale Donald Walsch stood before an audience in Deventer, The Netherlands and said, 'You give me 1000 people from across the globe who are as dedicated to Spirit as some people are dedicated to violence and we'll change the world.'" from Neale Donald Walsch's **website**.

**Walsch's New Spirituality:** "The New Spirituality is a global movement to create the space for humanity to experience its natural impulse toward the divine in a way which makes no one else wrong for the way in which they are doing it." Neale Donald Walsch, from the **Group of 1000 website**.

"These are the **Five Steps to Peace**, and if you take them, you can shift everything on our planet."

—**Neal Donald Walsch**

"The New Revolutions also contains a five-step plan for peace in the world. We call it the Five Steps to Peace.... We are suggesting that people become modern day Martin Luther's and take the five steps to peace and tack them up on church house doors, as Martin Luther did with his 95 theses in 1517 in Wittenburg, Germany, which started of course, **the first Reformation**. Our intention is to stimulate the **second great Reformation** of world religion. That is our intention, our goal and our purpose. We intend to, in fact, inspire the second great Reformation of world religion.... It is now time for a call to action.—**Living the New Spirituality, an interview with Neale Donald Walsch by Debbie Smoker**

# Rick Warren's Peace Plan

By Don Koenig

The next phase of the game plan of the new evangelical gurus (Rick Warren, Robert Schuller, and Bruce Wilkinson) is "God's plan" to change the world through the purpose driven seeker-friendly churches that buy into Rick Warren's **global peace plan** that Warren says **WILL HAPPEN**.

**P.E.A.C.E. stands for:**

**P**lant churches **E**quip leaders **A**ssist the poor **C**are for the sick **E**ducate the next generation

This all sounds very noble but hasn't the church already been doing this p.e.a.c.e. program for 2000 years? Now all of a sudden because Rick Warren who is the guru of the seeker friendly purpose driven movement says they he is starting a global peace plan to change the world. **It becomes "Gods plan" and Warren says it has to come about!** If purpose driven seeker friendly churches are the example of the churches they intend to plant then maybe God is not in their global peace plan at all.

Rick Warren claims he will do this with **his billion man army**. **His billion man army from where I might ask?** there are only several hundred million true Christians on the whole earth. I guess General Warren's plan is to draft pseudo Christians and Moslems into his billion man army and expect everyone to follow his marching orders.

## Robert Schuller's Peace Plan

"I'm dreaming a bold impossible dream: that positive-thinking believers in God will rise above the illusions that our sectarian religions have imposed on the world, and that leaders of the major faiths will rise above doctrinal idiosyncrasies, choosing not to focus on disagreements, but rather to **transcend** divisive dogmas to **work together to bring peace.**"

# No Shame

<sup>15</sup> Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the time that I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

**Jeremiah 6:15**



# No Shame

<sup>22</sup> Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind:  
it is abomination.

**Leviticus 18:22**

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## Jesus might have been homosexual, says the first openly gay bishop

By Elizabeth Day

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The first openly gay Anglican bishop has sparked outrage for suggesting that Jesus might have been homosexual.

The Rt Rev Gene Robinson, the Bishop of New Hampshire in the Episcopal Church of the United States, said that Jesus was an unmarried, "non-traditional man" who did not uphold family values, "travelled with a bunch of men" and enjoyed an especially close relationship with one of his disciples.

His comments, made in a recent address at the Christ Church of Hamilton and Wenham in Massachusetts, have enraged traditional Anglicans who have suggested that the Bishop should be "struck down by thunder and lightning bolts". Bishop Robinson, whose consecration in 2003 triggered a schism between evangelicals and liberals in the worldwide Anglican Communion, was giving an address entitled "Homosexuality and the Body of Christ: Is There a New Message?"



Bishop Robinson, who married his partner, Mark, said that he had come to reconcile his sexuality with his faith and could feel "God's light and God's life ooze over me like warm butter".

## Gay bishop invited to Anglican conference

Hassan Mirza

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Friday 29 June, 2007

Gay bishop Gene Robinson has been invited to the Lambeth Conference of the Anglican Church for Summer 2008, prompting dissenting cries from Anglicans nationwide.

The controversial Robinson, who was consecrated as Bishop of US state New Hampshire in 2003, tried to visit the UK for an Anglican conference in 2004 but cancelled it at the last minute because of death threats and security fears.

At the time, Robinson withdrew and noted that his that his participation in the debate would "not be in the best interests of the Anglican Communion at this delicate moment in its history", referring to the ever-anticipated Anglican schism.

The invitation is likely to result in the withdrawal of support from ultra conservative Nigerian bishops.

Bishop Robinson, an official guest to the conference, will not however have the right to vote on motions at the conference. The 2008 conference marks the international meeting of the Anglican community that takes place every ten years.

**Despite lashing rain and last week's attempted terrorist attacks, London Pride blazed ahead, attracting tens of thousands revellers for the annual festivities.**

The march began at Baker Street and made its way, as planned through Oxford Street and Regent Street, confronting a hostile, yet small group of conservative Christians and National Front protesters at the bottom of Haymarket, before spilling into Trafalgar Square for a rally and pop performances.

Pride organisers met with Police on Friday and determined there was no need to cancel the festivities. Police deployed over 350 officers to secure the event, supporting their LGBT Met comrades who marched in the parade in uniform.

**On Friday London Mayor Ken Livingstone insisted he would be attending the Gay Pride march, saying: "I think people are completely safe to walk about the streets of London today and tomorrow. I have promised my family all week that we are all going on the Gay Pride march. We will all be there,"** he told BBC radio. "I suspect virtually everybody who intended to go on that march will be there."

Livingstone joined actor John Barrowman and comedian Amy Lamé on Pride's lead float before speaking in Trafalgar Square with his two young children. He was joined by Labour and Liberal Democrat MPs.

Commenting on the gay community's defiant response to the terror threats, a proud Livingstone recalled the London's similar response to the events of 7/7.

"They planned to cause destruction and fear, and they failed," Livingstone said. "No one stayed home in fear."

**Ben Summerskill, Stonewall chief executive, noted the parade's spirit of joyful defiance as his personal highlight. "My highlight was the wonderful moment when the parade passed two dozen of the extreme Christian protestors shouting and barracking at revellers passing them by in the Mall,"** he told Gay.com.

"They were heavily protected by the Metropolitan Police but the noise of their hateful sloganeering was drowned out by singing and cheering and whistles. It was a reminder of that age old truth; that goodness always triumphs over hate."

"My low-point (of course) was the incredibly heavy rain. But if the Bishops of Carlisle and Liverpool believe, as they claimed rather bizarrely at the weekend, that all this rain is Britain's punishment for introducing civil partnership then God is obviously going to have to try a little harder if he wants to stop Pride next year. Perhaps a plague of locusts?" Pride performer Darren Hayes, whose forthcoming album 'This Delicate Thing We've Made' comes out in August, told Gay.com:

"I feel lucky to live in a country where same sex marriage is not just a technicality but a civil right."



# Pride Marches?

18 Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope:

20 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

**Isaiah 5:18,20**

# God's Rules

<sup>9</sup> Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor **abusers of themselves with mankind**, <sup>10</sup> Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

1 Cor 6:9-10

**Gr. a sodomite:** - abuser of (that defile) self with mankind



# Can you hear...?

<sup>17</sup> Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

**Jeremiah 6:17**

*“When the disciples wanted to talk about prophecy, Jesus quickly switched the conversation to evangelism. He said in essence. “The details of my return are none of your business.”* — Rick Warren, *The Purpose Driven Life*

# Jesus actually said:

*“Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.” (Matt 24:5)*

*“For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. (Matt 24:25-26)*

*Now learn a parable of the fig tree..... (Matt 24:32)*

*So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near (Matt 24:33)*

*Therefore be ye also ready..... (Matt 24:44)*

*Watch therefore..... (Matt 25:13)*

*Take heed lest any man deceive you: (Mark 13:5)*

*But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that reads understand,) (Mark 13:14)*

# Jesus actually said:

*For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect. But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things. (Mark 13:22-23)*

*Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. (Mark 13:33)*

*Watch ye therefore (Mark 13:35)*

*And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch (Mark 13:37)*

*Take heed that ye be not deceived (Luke 21:8)*

*And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. (Luke 21:28)*

# The Final Judgment

- <sup>32</sup> Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.
- <sup>33</sup> And the carcasses of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray them away.

**Jeremiah 7:32-33**

# The Final Judgment

<sup>34</sup> Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.

**Jeremiah 7:34**

# The Final Judgment

22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; 23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

Rev 18:22-23



# What wisdom is in them?

9 The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?

**Jeremiah 8:9**



# The Coming Judgment Of The Church

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