

The Blessed Hope!

“Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;” –(Titus 2:13)

Diamond & Nugget #116

The news is ratcheting up with threats by China to shoot down Nancy Pelosi's military C40 aircraft that took off for Taiwan on Saturday. Hal Turner posted the following report on Saturday morning.

UPDATED 11:10 AM EDT -- China Armor Headed To Fujian - Across from Taiwan; Navy Starts Live Fire Drills in Taiwan Strait
[WORLD HAL TURNER](#) 30 JULY 2022

China is extremely displeased with the potential trip by USA Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, to Taiwan, and they are openly warning of military action if the Speaker dares to try landing in Taiwan without approval from, and transiting through, Beijing.

Pelosi is reported to have begun her Asia trip yesterday, with stops in various countries. One potential stop may be into Taiwan.

In the past, if any high ranking political official from any country, wanted to go to Taiwan, that official asks for permission from Beijing, then travel TO Beijing, and later heads to Taiwan. This is the way it has always been given that the world has a "one China" policy and that Taiwan is part of China.

Last year, however, U.S. officials began flying directly into Taiwan. To China, this was like getting a finger stuck in their eye. It was insulting and demeaning that the island was being treated as if it were its own country, which it is not.

So when it became public knowledge that Speaker Pelosi was planning an Asia trip, with a stop in Taiwan, China decided they'd had enough.

It was made known in China official state media that Beijing will not tolerate direct flights by foreign officials into Taiwan. The U.S. basically ignored those challenges.

China's "Global Times" newspaper, then began running a series of stories with accompanying editorials making clear a direct flight by Pelosi would not be tolerated.

In response, the Pentagon made known that the U.S. Navy is setting-up concentric circles of "protection" for Pelosi's plane!

Not only does Pelosi plan to enter Taiwan without getting approval from, or transiting through Beijing, now the U.S. military is saying they will provide military protection for here to actually do it! It's almost as though the U.S. no longer acknowledges that China is its own sovereign country, and it makes the rules.

The Pentagon announcement of military protection for Pelosi's plane caused even more backlash. Just yesterday, the top Editor of the 'Global Times' which is the mouthpiece of the China Communist Party, said the following:

Gonzalo Lira @GonzaloLira1968 · 1h

Oh boy.

 **Hu Xijin 胡锡进** @HuXijin_GT · 3h
China state-affiliated media
If US fighter jets escort Pelosi's plane into Taiwan, it is invasion. The PLA has the right to forcibly dispel Pelosi's plane and the US fighter jets, including firing warning shots and making tactical movement of obstruction. If ineffective, then shoot them down. twitter.com/cnnbrk/status/...

 **CNN Breaking News** @cnnbrk

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi plans to depart for a tour of Asia today, though whether she'll make a high-stakes stop in Taiwan remains uncertain cnn.it/3Q03vny

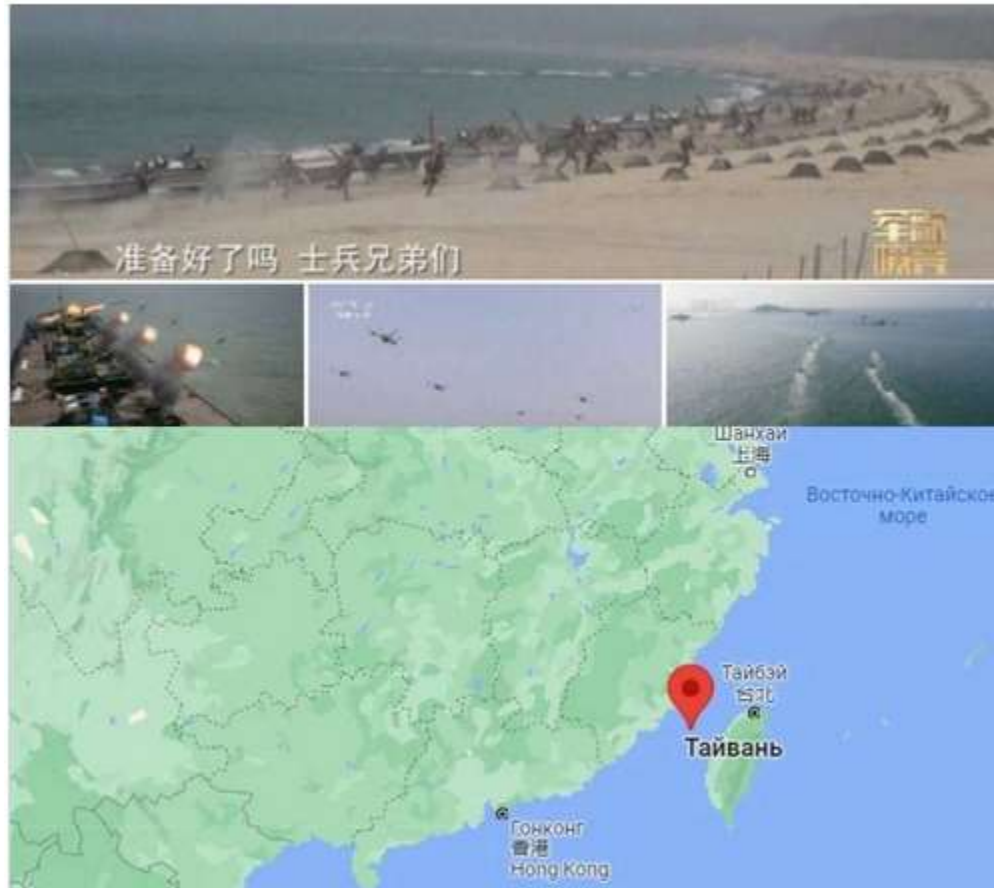
While some may say "He's just an Editor giving a newspaper opinion" readers must understand that media in China is tightly controlled by the Communist Party. Absolutely nothing appears in China media unless it is approved by - or speaks for - the Communist Party. So while the remarks above appear in a newspaper, they are very much the actual positions of the China government.

In addition to that very blunt and direct warning of **having Pelosi aircraft FIRED UPON**, China's army began moving trainloads of Armor into Fujian Province, which is in mainland China, precisely opposite Taiwan:

Even more ominous, China's Navy announced sudden, unscheduled, LIVE FIRE naval exercises in the Taiwan Strait:

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China announces start of live-fire military exercises in Taiwan Strait



It is therefore clear that China has had quite enough of the U.S. thinking it can do whatever it wants. There very well may be a serious confrontation over Pelosi's trip . . . if she tries to enter Taiwan.

UPDATE 8:58 AM EDT --

CONFIRMED! Pelosi has taken off in a U.S. Air Force C-40 aircraft, headed out toward the Pacific Ocean, as of early Saturday morning:

UPDATE 10:39 AM EDT --

Pelosi's plane made a landing in Hawaii around 9:00 AM EDT:

MORE:

"If Pelosi tries to visit Taiwan, the Chinese will respond militarily.

Asked to comment on a recent Financial Times report which suggested Beijing would

respond military should the speaker of the House visit Taiwan, **China's government confirmed the contents as true:**

'We are seriously prepared,' Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said in regards to the article.

'If the U.S. side is bent on going its own way, China will take strong measures to resolutely respond and counteract. The United States should be held responsible for any serious consequences'" the official added.

We do not know what kind of military response, but at the moment, the American aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan and its strike group, including a guided missile destroyer and a guided missile cruiser, set out from Singapore on Monday heading northeast towards the South China Sea, according to ship-tracking information provided by Beijing-based think tank the South China Sea Strategic Probing Initiative. The US military has not disclosed its final destination, but the route would bring the carrier group to the Taiwan Strait if it continues in the same direction.

The U.S. administration fears that China could introduce a no-fly zone over Taiwan ahead of a possible visit by Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives

These provocations are a threat to the whole world, as are the provocations to Russia.. Yet, the U.S. and its cronies have failed to overthrow Hong Kong, they have failed to create an economic disaster in Xinjiang to destabilize this crossroad on the Belt and Road, and they failed in the Tibet Autonomous Region which is now a thriving region with no abject poverty or slave ownership of serfs and with protected religious and social mores, they failed the Trump trade war, and they will fail in Taiwan. They are failing in Latin America, they are even failing in Panama to safeguard their neoliberal democratic 'free world'.

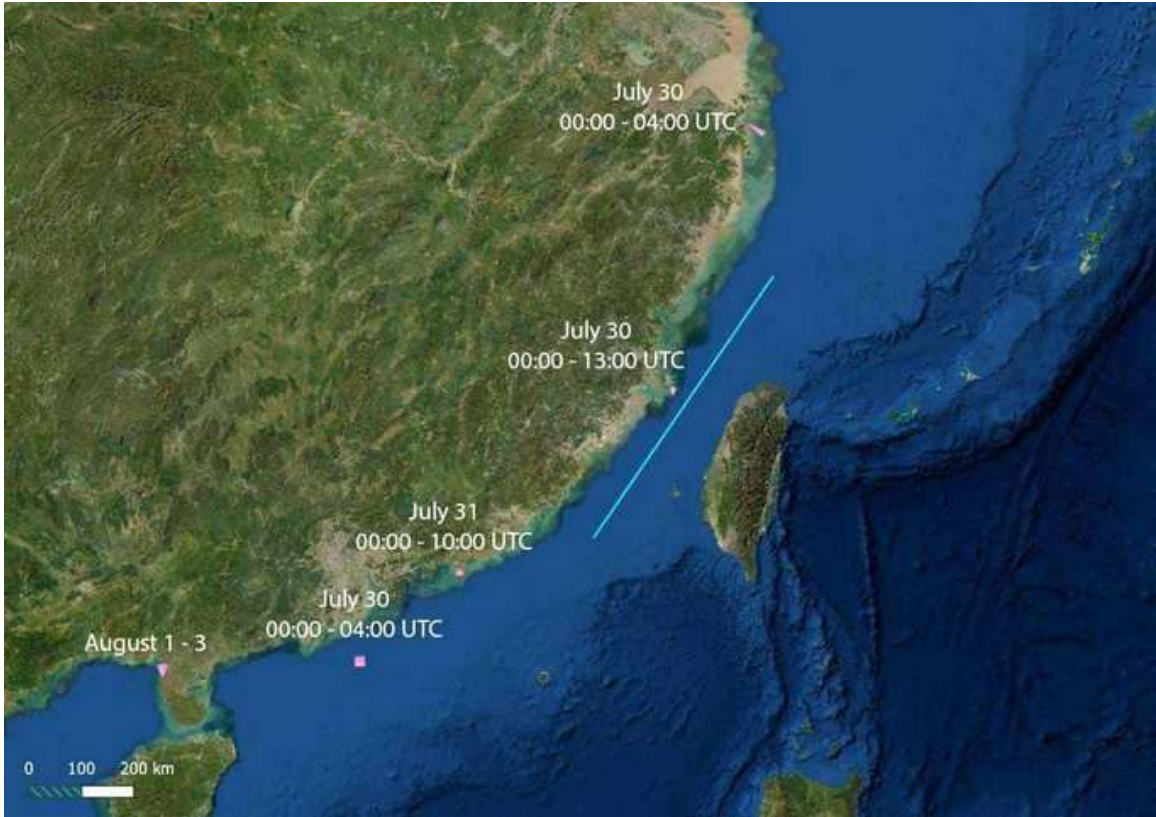
While failing everywhere, American politicians live in virtual reality and most seriously believe that the world belongs to them..."

UPDATE 10:52 AM EDT --

Video has just been sent to me from minutes ago, showing part of the LIVE FIRE drill being conducted by China military off the coastline of Fujian Province, opposite Taiwan:

UPDATE 10:56 AM EDT --

China has just CLOSED the Taiwan Strait:



PLA Helicopters in Fujian Province take-off for "exercises.:"



UPDATE 11:10 AM EDT --

Taiwan is now deploying Air Defense Missiles, including at Taoyuan International Civil Airport!!!!

REPORT: China Sanctions Nancy Pelosi; Refused Entry into China and Taiwan
[WORLD HAL TURNER](#) 31 JULY 2022

Reports are coming in from Asia as of 4:09 AM eastern U.S. Time, claiming that the People's Republic of China has "Sanctioned" U.S. Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi. The reports also claim that as a result of being Sanctioned, Pelosi is DENIED ENTRY into China and into Taiwan.

These reports are coming from media persons on the ground inside Asia, but their media outlets have yet to report these claims.

Pelosi departed the United States on Saturday, allegedly aboard a U.S. Air Force C-40 transport aircraft, which allegedly had TWO fighter jets as escort.

The plane was tracked across the continental U.S., out into the Pacific, and then landed in Hawaii to refuel.

Pelosi's office tweeted a statement from her:

Later that same aircraft took off from Hawaii, but tracking of it was then BLOCKED, claiming the plane was no longer being tracked because of engine trouble . . . which is a complete non-sequitur; it made no sense at all.

As of 4:09 AM EDT Sunday, it is not known where Speaker Pelosi's plane is, or if has perhaps landed elsewhere in Asia, as her itinerary did mention stops in Singapore, Malaysia and elsewhere for this trip.

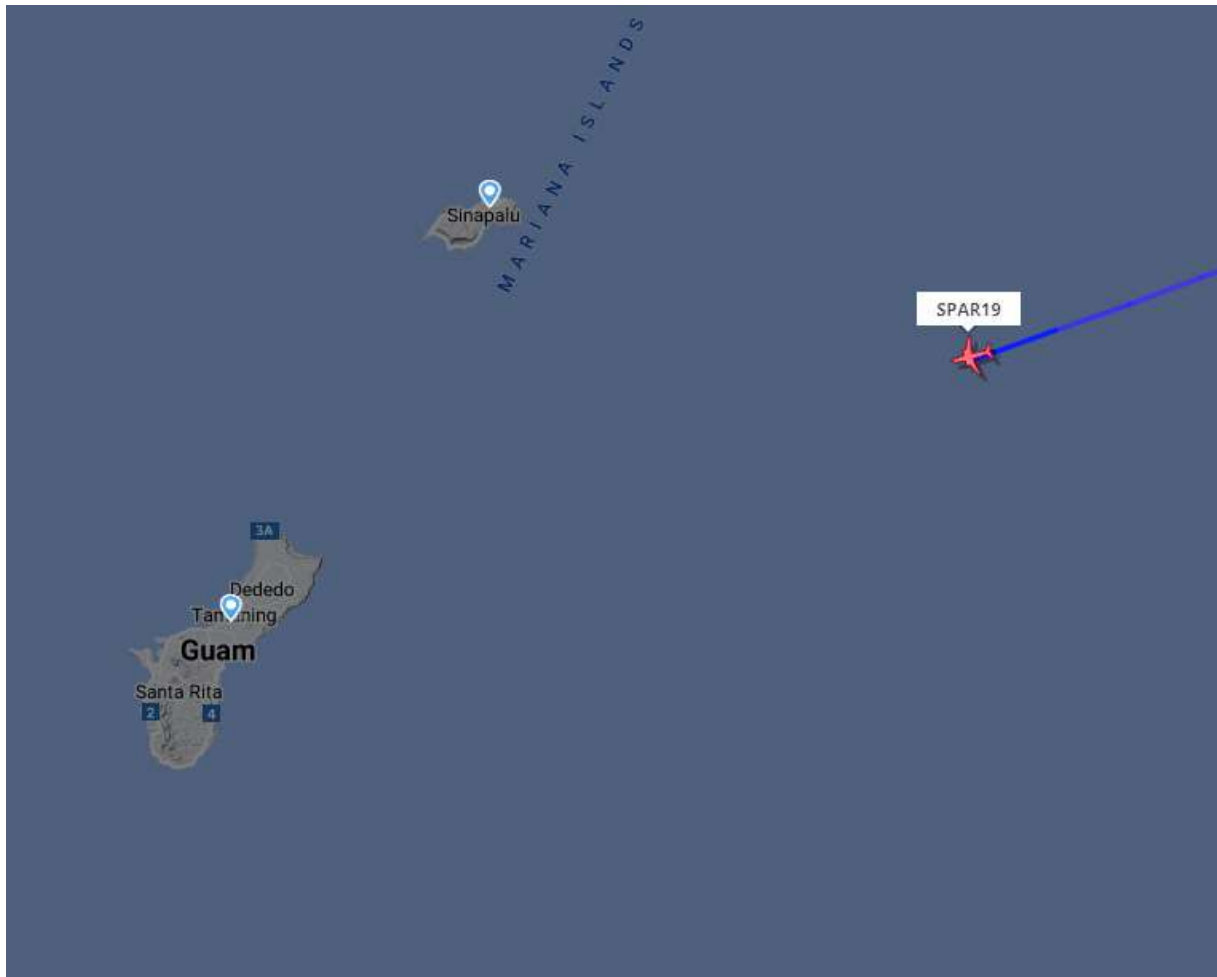
Why the U.S. Speaker of the House is engaging in foreign travel is also a mystery. Generally, that's why the U.S. has a Secretary of State.

More details as they become available.

UPDATE 9:17 AM EDT --

It turns out that when Pelosi's aircraft developed engine trouble and its tracking was turned off, it returned to Hawaii. Pelosi spent the night there.

This morning, the plane took off from Hawaii out westward into the Pacific. At this hour 9:18 AM EDT, it is landing at Guam.



For what it's worth, Pelosi staff are now emphasizing that Taiwan "is not on the Speaker's travel agenda."
HMMMMMMMM . . .

Steve Quayle posted an article on his site Saturday, July 30th by someone attacking the Pre-Tribulation Rapture and I thought I would refute it and the reasoning behind this person, who does not understand the concept of "Dispensationalism" and what the Bible has to say about the "**Harpazo**". Steve Quayle is certainly not a Bible scholar by any sense of the word. Steve pontificates a great deal about God but clearly does not understand the back of the Book! His site does post an over amount of the sensational news of our day; however, he makes a living on hyping and marketing prepper content and product for sale. Steve has a predisposition bent on warning that the sky is falling for sure!

Thus follows the article on Steve Quayle's site and I will respond in a different (**Red**) color for my comments about this effort to eat your lunch!

THE TESTING OF OUR FAITH (A Word Regarding the Pre-Tribulation Rapture Doctrine) – My Hiding Place

Posted by [444 Prophecy News](#) on [2022/07/30](#)

“Dear brothers and sisters,

I come before you in all humility to bring you a very important Word and warning from Father concerning the ‘Pre-Tribulation Rapture’ doctrine. I imagine that you are familiar with the term ‘Rapture’. But for the sake of avoiding any misunderstanding I will clarify by saying that it refers to ‘the gathering together of the Lord Jesus with the believers’. I understand that there are various beliefs and opinions out there concerning this event, as to whether it will occur prior, during or after the Great Tribulation. I’m not here to speculate, argue or discuss anyone’s beliefs but rather to share, as accurately as possible, what the Holy Spirit has taught me on this regard.

With that being said, the reason why the Holy Spirit has been so adamant for me to share this is because far too many pastors have been so busy tickling their congregants’ ears week after week with superficial, lukewarm, prosperity-Gospel type teachings, that they have failed to prepare the church for the upcoming judgments and heavy persecution that are now on the horizon and which will occur PRIOR to the ‘Rapture’. It’s easy to get in a comfortable mindset that before things get really rough, Jesus will come to the rescue and bring us to heaven. However, this concept is unbiblical and you will see why. **[The writer can’t prove or document this to be case, and his using generalizations for assumptions that reflect his bias against the concept of God’s deliverance before judgment.]**

I hope and pray that this will be a sobering message for any and all those who have ears to hear what the Spirit has to say at his hour. I pray it will give you food for thought as you take it to the Lord in prayer, and seek Father’s heart and truth on the matter.

I have been warning about the upcoming judgments for over 2 years now. I will repeat myself one more time: WE ARE AT THE CUSP OF GOD’S JUDGMENTS BEING POURED OUT ON THIS WORLD. That is, we WILL see many horrific things BEFORE the Rapture. Please use whatever time may be left to prepare yourselves physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually for what is coming. I have shared about these things in great lengths in this channel and other platforms. If Father allows, please take the time to review the Words given and take heed. Above all, draw near to the Lord and REPENT! **[I whole heartedly agree with the writer up to this point. Repentance is a central point in understanding Salvation as taught in Scripture.]**

On July 27/2022, the Holy Spirit was ministering to me about the ‘Pre-Tribulation Rapture’. This was not the first time. The understanding pertaining to this doctrine is that Jesus will remove His people imminently, prior to the start of the Great Tribulation. **[The writer makes no reference to understanding the importance of ‘Context’ in the interpretation of the Bible, i.e., Who is the person writing? Whom is it being written too? And, What is the message application point?]**

I have been taught by the Holy Spirit that Pre-Tribulation Rapture is a false doctrine; a lie. Father has never promised us a way out when things get rough. Quite on the contrary, His Word states in Acts 14:22 that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God and in Matt. 24:13, 'But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved'. **[Apparently the writer has not read Paul's words John 14:1-3; 1st Corinthians 15:51-52; 1st Thessalonians 4:13-17. Paul wrote 28% of the New Testament and by this writer's comments it is of no consequence whatsoever.]**

Throughout Scriptures we are given examples of many believers who went through severe hardships, but Father never resolved to remove them from their sufferings. Rather, He provided a way for them to endure, to persevere so their faith could be stretched to new limits. If He did not Rapture His people anywhere in the Bible prior to their testing, it will surely not happen now, during the age of the most adulterous and perverse generation. **[God did "take up" the Rapture of several Old Testament saints. How does he explain Enoch (Genesis 5:21-24; Hebrews 11:5); Moses (Deuteronomy 34:1-4; or Elijah (2nd Kings 2:11). The writer is obviously not familiar with the Greek word "Harpazo". The writer is obviously not trained in the Biblical languages of Hebrew and Greek, or specifics related to the nuances of the Koine Greek.**

The list below shows the Greek, Latin, and English readings found in the thirteen passages which use the term "harpazo". This list is particularly valuable to show the Latin word for "rapture" is used repeatedly in the Bible, and thus refutes the anti-rapture allegation that the term "rapture" is not a Biblical term.

	<u>Greek</u>	<u>Latin</u>	<u>English</u>
Matthew 11:12	harpazousin	rapiunt	take by force
Matthew 13:19	harpazei	rapit	catcheth away
John 6:15	harpazein	raperent	taken by force
John 10:12	harpazei	rapit	catcheth
John 10:28	harpasei	rapiet	pluck
John 10:29	harpazein	rapere	to pluck
Acts 8:39	herpasen	rapuit	caught away
Acts 23:10	harpasai	rapere	to take by force
2 nd Corinthians 12:2	harpagenta	raptum	caught up
2 nd Corinthians 12:4	herpage	raptus	was caught up
1 st Thessalonians 4:17	harpagesometha	rapiemur	shall be caught up
Jude 1:23	harpazontes	rapientes	pulling
Revelation 12:5	herpasthe	raptus	was caught up

There is an additional entry example found in Matthew 12:29 of the NASB translation. The New American Standard Bible translation is translated from the Westcott & Hort 1881 'New Greek Text'. The Westcott & Hort is the New Greek Text used to translate all other English translations since 1881. The word translated in Matthew 12:29 reads: "and carry off his property".

The NASB is like the King James Bible, a “word-for-word” translation but differs in that the Westcott & Hort New Greek Text was corrupted and influenced by Jesuit agents at a time when the Vatican was seeking to regain and exercise control over Protestant England as well as seeking to undermine the King James Bible of 1611.

The word “harpazo” is always a verb form in the Greek text. To repeat, it means to: “Carry off, take (or) snatch away, catch up, catch away, seize by force”. The nuance particularly affirms that this event will be brute force!

The Old Testament equivalent is the word “natzal” and it is found over 800X times in its transliterated form of “lagach” and its cognate derivatives of “Qal”, “Nipal”, “Pual”, and “hopal”, “Hithpael”. Cognate derivatives are used to add emphasis or degrees of intensity of inflection. In the English that is achieved by the use of adjectives. As such the concept of Rapture or “take by force” and synonyms noted above can be found as early as God’s taking Enoch, in Genesis 5:24.]

Ecc.1:9 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.

Father said that He is angry at the lazy pastors who refuse to sit at His feet to hear and deliver His true messages to His people, to prepare them for the intense judgments and persecutions that MUST come beforehand to test our faith, to purify and cleanse us. They fool themselves and their congregations into thinking that they are heaven-ready and that now is the time to look up as their redemption draweth nigh. Nothing could be further from the truth. They have turned their churches into social clubs. They indulge in lukewarmness; their feet love to wander into sin. They comfortably ‘preach’ without bringing any conviction of sin and change to the hearts. The Holy Spirit and His glory have departed ages ago. They refuse to believe the truth and instead indulge in lies. For this reason, many are perishing. They regurgitate things they have heard from others, things they have not cared to study on their own time AND with the help of the Holy Spirit. **[Again the writer makes generalization statements and assumptions about the state of the church and offers no substance to refute the Pre-Tribulation Rapture.]**

Isa. 1:10-16 Hear the word of the Lord, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah. 11 To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the Lord: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats. 12 When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts? 13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting. 14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. 15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear:

your hands are full of blood. 16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil.

Isa.29:10-14 For the Lord hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered. 11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed: 12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned. 13 Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men: 14 Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid.

The Holy Spirit is grieved that when disasters come and No Rapture, that many sheep will be scattered and fall away from their faith. **[He violates the principles of context again. The writer does not differentiate between Israel and the church, each has its own unique role in God's Master Plan of Salvation. Writer's failure to recognize the Bible's Dispensational structure obscures God's dealings with man. 1. A dispensationalist keeps Israel and the church distinct. 2. This distinction between Israel and the church is born out of a system of hermeneutics that is usually called literal interpretation. 3. A third aspect of the sine qua non of Dispensationalism concerns the underlying purpose of God in the world. The essence of Dispensationalism, then, is the distinction between Israel and the church. This grows out of the dispensationalist's consistent employment of normal or plain or historical-grammatical interpretation, and it reflects an understanding of the basic purpose of God in all His dealings with mankind as that of glorifying Himself through salvation and other purposes as well. It is all too often and common for those reading the Bible to overlook this latter point of God's purpose!]**

2 Pet.3:3-4 There shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

I have heard many interpreting the Scripture in 1 Thess. 5:9 which says that we are not subject to God's wrath to mean judgments. And seeing that things are definitely heating up, their understanding is that the Rapture must be close at hand.

But why are the judgments coming prior to the Rapture? It is because for the most part, the body of believers who will eventually make it into heaven is NOT Rapture-ready. It is because of Father's great mercy that He will bring about the judgments first to wake, refine and purify the church to make it pure and holy for that glorious day.

I am aware that there are many verses in Scripture that hint to the Rapture. For the purpose of this particular Word, I will focus mainly on Jesus' prophetic accounts found in Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21. **[To glean the essence of Jesus Christ's birth, life, ministry, death, and resurrection requires one to study the "Whole Counsel of God's Word". Paul was given the Gospel of Grace by the Lord Himself in Paul's own words. In Galatians 1:10-24 where Paul explains how he gained his knowledge, he hints that Jesus taught him personally during the 3 years he spent at Mt. Sinai in Arabia after his conversion. Paul's 14 letters from Romans to Philemon fulfill the context for Christians of today of how we are to live. Paul wrote 14 letters. At the beginning of 9 of the 14 letters Paul identified himself as an "Apostle of Christ. "Apostle" means in Greek "to send". Frequently in his opening address this Sent One called himself a *doulos*, meaning in Greek a "slave" for Christ: "Paul, a *doulos* of Christ Jesus" in Romans 1:1; and in Titus 1:1 "Paul a slave of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ." The writer chose to "cherry pick" and create his own theological doctrine without consideration of the person responsible for 28% of the New Testament. In a court of law, the judge would never deny a defendant the "right of discovery" with prejudice!]**

There is an awesome event coming for the Bride of Christ. That is, the Transformation of the Firstfruits, the Overcomers, the 144,000. These are those who are keeping themselves pure, who will stand blameless before the Lamb of God, because they are walking closely in His covenant. They have been hand-picked by Father before their birth and kept hidden for such a time as this. This is the Lord's End Time Army I have shared about in another prophecy. If there was such a thing as a Pre-Tribulation Rapture, they would be the ones to whom it would apply. But the transformation that will come upon them, with the latter rain of God's Spirit, will be to aid God's people in His End Times Harvest. The Holy Spirit spoke to me, in a sort of matter-of-fact kind of way and said, 'YOU WON'T BE GOING AHEAD OF ANYONE'. What does our Lord Jesus teach us? That greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friend. And this is exactly what this group is here to accomplish – the laying down of their own lives for their friends in obedience to Father. **[The writer lumps together all groups of people, Jews, the Church, Gentiles, and ignores the importance of how God defines the purpose of each. He misunderstands or ignores Revelation 3:10 as to God's promise to "Take Out" "Ek" the born-again believers before the Great Tribulation event of Daniel's seventieth week – "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." This is further evidence that the writer lacks any formal training or education in understanding what the Bible says or is all about.]

Here is where we are at prophetically:

Mark 13:7-8 And when ye shall hear of WARS and RUMOURS OF WARS, be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but THE END SHALL NOT BE YET. 8 For NATION WILL RISE AGAINST NATION, and KINGDOM AGAINST KINGDOM: and

there shall be EARTHQUAKES in divers places, and there shall be FAMINES and troubles: THESE ARE THE BEGINNING OF SORROWS.

In the very next verse we read about persecutions. These are believers who will be handed over to councils and synagogues to be beaten. Rapture has not occurred yet.

Verse 9 take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them.

Verse 10 And the Gospel must FIRST be published among ALL nations.

Who do you suppose will be going out through the whole world to preach the Gospel? The unbelievers? Those you would refer to as 'the left-behind group'?

Verses 11-13 But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost. 12 Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death. 13 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

Then will the abomination that causes desolation and the Great Tribulation be made manifest.

Verses 19- 20 For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be. 20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.

Verses 21-22 And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not: 22 For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect. 23 But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.

If the Rapture has already occurred at this point, why would people be running to the Christ? Those 'left-behind' would know they have missed the Rapture. Instead, we're told by Jesus that He has foretold these things so we are not deceived when we see this exact chapter unfold before our very eyes as it is already.

Furthermore, how could the elect be deceived if they have been raptured?

Verse 30 Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.

This refers to the generation that will begin to witness the events described in Jesus' prophecy – that is US.

Luke 21:36 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. This does not mean that we are going to be raptured out of this world before things get ugly, but rather that Father will protect us through them. We still have much work to do for Him.

What is our purpose here on earth? Is it merely to get up, go to work, cook, clean, sleep, read and pray, then be raptured? No! Our biggest mission is to bring souls into the Kingdom of heaven. Don't be content with knowing you are going to heaven and spend your days idling waiting on Jesus' return. Instead, be about the Father's business. Occupy until He comes. Don't hide your talent underground, but invest it so that it will reap much fruit for the Master.

Father's eye is set on the Great Harvest. While our faith will be tested, refined, and stretched, we are to believe firmly that He will keep us until He's ready to take us whether that'd be via martyrdom, natural causes, persecution or Rapture. In the meantime, we will work hard for the advancement of His kingdom and for His glory.

In the story of Noah, did Father rapture Noah before the flood? No! He asked Noah to build an Ark, which took him 100 years to make all while being scoffed and mocked at. That same Ark provided him safety during the flood. Once over, he was instructed to come out and live his life.

Did Father rapture Lot before destroying Sodom and Gomorrah? No! Father sent His angels to bring them to safety before raining down burning sulfur.

Did Father rapture Shadrach, Mishac and Abednego prior to entering in the fiery furnace? No! Instead, He protected them through the fire where not even a hair on their heads was singed and their clothes did not smell like smoke.

Did Father rapture Daniel before being placed into the lion's den? No!

Did Father deliver Jeremiah, Mordecai or Ezra before the destruction of Jerusalem and the exile of His people? No! But He guided them through their hardships and used them in amazing ways!

Heb.11:32-38 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: 33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions. 34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. 35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better

resurrection: 36 And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: 37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; 38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

Father did not rapture His disciples before they completed their missions, nor did He rapture the Lord Jesus before His crucifixion? Feel free to search the Scriptures for more examples, but in all these Father built the faith of His people and used their trials to shine His glory. Our generation is not more special than them to be raptured out of this world so we don't have to suffer in our bodies. Are we forgetting the tortures our brothers and sisters are suffering AT THIS VERY MOMENT, across the world because of their faith in Jesus?

I conclude with:

John 17:15 [During Jesus' prayer to the Father, He said] I pray NOT that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil.

Brothers and sisters,

If you have been lured into this belief, don't be embarrassed. We've all made mistakes of the same kind at one point or another. Rather take heed. Confess your sin, and repent. Adjust your expectations and be about Father's business understanding that Father's delay in coming means salvation. We've got a lot of work to do. Satan and his minions have been working for years tirelessly on their plan to annihilate humankind. Are we equally prepared to face our trials, to stand our ground and not deny Christ EVER? Are we spending quality time before the presence of the Lord, allowing Father to engrave His Word on our hearts so that when the Bible becomes outlawed we can still remember it, recite it and use it against the enemy to defeat him? Do we know how to resist the enemy and temptations? How to rebuke him? Do we know the power that we carry inside ourselves as believers? **[Despite the writer's quoting a lot of Scripture, in his ignoring the words of the Apostle Paul's message, he has not offered one passage that explicitly refutes the Pre-Tribulation Rapture. Paul in Titus 2:13 has declared that believers are looking forward: "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;" We have no reason whatsoever to doubt the words of the Apostle Paul and so the writer's agenda here is really to eat your lunch and words of comfort. Let's not forget Jesus own words of Revelation 3:10. A serious study of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation provides more than 300 passages projecting the theme of "Deliverance before Judgment". God has seen the need for His use of Typology, Patterns, Themes, and Concepts in order to preserve His Eternal Message of Redemption and Salvation. The Bible speaks to the Creation as a whole and not just to our Salvation. As I noted in Blessed Hope #115, God will remake this world which has been abused by those serving Lucifer's agenda of stealing, destroying and killing!]**

Are we of that group of believers who has gotten ready with our garments cleansed and wrinkle-free? Or are we of those foolish virgins who have fallen asleep while waiting on our Bridegroom and have not filled our lamps with oil?

The time of grace is quickly coming to a close and our work about to be tested by FIRE -the Lord's refiner's fire. Will we stand the test? **[So many discrepancies came to mind as I was pointing out that which I have noted, I concluded this writer lacks the skills to put together a cogent argument against the Pre-Tribulation Rapture.]**

This ends the content of the piece posted on Steve Quayle's web page yesterday. I thought it appropriate to call out this writer and his shoddy misrepresentation of God's Word. I am never sure of one's ignorance at play when individuals attack the Pre-Tribulation Rapture. They can be educated morons like Michael Snyder or Jim Bakker of Morning Side in the Ozarks of Missouri seeking to pad their pockets through works-salvation or kill joys at the other end of the spectrum simply wanting to eat your lunch and tick you off!

Things are moving in the direction we should be prepared to accept. Deliverance is as close as tomorrow, or perhaps the 9th of Av, next week on Saturday, August 6th, 2022. I have included that portion on the high watch day of the 9th of Av. Years ago Hal Lindsey had the foresight to write his book '*Combat Faith*'. The value of that book written in 1986 has certainly been brought home to our day as we deal with such things as Mass Formation Psychosis, and our need for discernment when governments around the world are encouraging citizens to commit suicide by syringe needle in the name of a vaccine. I posted yesterday an extensive article by Wayne Allen Root, where he has compiled hundreds of links showing the so-called vaccines are "kill shots!"

God has always had a heart to warn people before He proclaims judgment. God warned the people before the flood, and He warned Nineveh before it was ruined. He does not want anyone to receive the wrath of His judgment -(Ezekiel 18:21-23, 30-32; Zephaniah 2:1-3; 33:1-7; 2nd Peter 3:9). He has been warning us for most of our lives and I am in my 80s. I have written a 32-part series on the theme of "Deliverance before Judgment" that addresses the Bible's teaching on God's advanced warning in advance of exercising judgment in the Bible. I have never doubted the Pre-Tribulation Rapture in 57 years and I do not see any reason to doubt it as I have read all the arguments on this topic. I have had a moment or two earlier this year when I thought I might not get the chance to experience the Rapture. I'm confident that I still may get that honor and privilege.

It is getting so hard for so many waiting for the Rapture but patience is our only option. We are getting so very close from all the information and data that I can assess. A number of Bible prophecy students are suggesting that the 9th of Av might be a great day. We are coming up on the 9th of Av on Saturday, August 6th, 2022. Jews from all over the world maintain a somber demeanor in remembrance of both Temples being destroyed, first in 586 BC and then again in 70 AD. I remember our young adult

Sunday School class teacher noting that in her class back in 1962. Here is a list of events that have occurred on the 9th of Av. That may not seem significant to some but as anyone familiar with the Hebrew calendar can tell you, the 9th of Av. can occur each year at a different calendar date during a 30-day period.

9th Tish B'Ab

Fast of Av. **Zechariah 7:1-3**

[Jacob](#) is confronted by [Esau](#), on his return to Canaan. **Genesis 33:1ff**. Rashal Bereshit Vayish quoted in [Seder](#) HaDorot.

Moses goes up on [Sinai](#), a second [time](#), to plead for mercy after the golden calf - day 20. **Exodus 32:30-35**, Taanit 28b.

Moses' spies return from Israel, [ten](#) with a [wicked](#) report, [two](#) with a good report. **Numbers 13:25** Taanit 29a

It was decreed that Israel should not enter the promised land. Taanit 29a, **Numbers 13:25**

Wilderness [generation](#) died on this day when they reached 60 years of age. Taanit 30b, **Midrash Rabba Numbers 16:23**

Jeremiah was born. [Midrash](#) Yalkut Yirmiyahu 36

[Jerusalem](#) and the Solomon's [temple](#) are burned and looted by [Babylon](#). **II Kings 25:8-24**, Taanit 29a - 3338 AM

A year after the [Temple](#) was burned, Micah 3:12 was fulfilled.

This is the day spoken of in Lamentations 7:2.

This is the 'fast day', of the [fifth](#) month, spoken of in Zechariah 8:19.

The Rabbis say that Herod's [temple](#) was also destroyed on this date in 70

C.E. Taanit 29a - 3828 AM

Emperor Hadrian established a heathen [temple](#) on the [Temple](#) mount. Taanit 29a

Ezekiel/God tells elders to put away idols. **Ezekiel 20**

132 AD (135AD?) - Betar, the last fortress to hold out against the Romans during the Bar Kochba revolt fell.

1095 AD – [First](#) Crusade declared by Pope Urban II. 10,000 [Jews](#) killed in [first](#) month of the Crusade.

1290 AD – Expulsion of [Jews](#) from England by King Edward I, accompanied by pogroms and confiscation of books + property.

1492 AD - Expulsion of [Jews](#) from Spain by King Ferdinand. Also, Columbus (a [Jew](#) in hiding) sailed from Spain.

1555 AD - Ghetto established in Rome. Pope Paul IV moves all the [Jews](#) into a foul-smelling area near the Tiber River.

1914 AD – WW1 begins. 75% of all [Jews](#) lived in war zones.

1941 AD – A decree went forth expelling all [Jews](#) from Hungarian Ruthenia.

1989 AD – Iraq walks out of talks with Kuwait and the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq took place.

1990 AD – Gulf war starts Desert Storm that was started on [Tisha B'Ab](#) ended on the Feast of [Purim](#).

1994 AD – Deadly bombing of the [Jewish community](#) center in Argentina, killing 86 and wounding 300.

The Israeli withdrawal from 25 settlements in the Gaza Strip and northern Samaria began on August 14, 2005.

Classical [Jewish](#) sources maintain that the [Jewish Messiah](#) will be born on [Tisha B'Ab](#).

Torah section is *Deuteronomy 4:25-40*. **Haftorah** is *Jeremiah 8:13 - 9:23*. Morning

Torah section is *Ex. 23:11-14; 34:1-10*. **Haftorah** is *Isaiah 55:6 - 56:8; Micah 7:18-20; Hosea 14:2-10*. afternoon.

With the events that were put into motion on February 24, 2022, we certainly cannot rule out the possibility of World War III breaking out on the 9th of Av - August 6th, 2022. NATO and the U.S. have done everything short of a false flag event to provoke a war with Russia. That said, I would suggest there is ample reasons for a Pre-Tribulation Rapture on the 9th of Av. From the news shared in this "Diamond & Nugget" it is not an exaggeration to suggest August 6, 2022 is one of those "High Watch" dates.

As difficult as it is for you hang in there because as bad as it may seem, it is reassurance that we are going home soon!

Blessings,

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