

The Blessed Hope!

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

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Back when I went to seminary, we were required to take the Biblical Languages and I have been thankful for that requirement. (Not all seminaries require their students to know the Bible Languages)

When I went to Christian book stores, I found myself buying books that dealt with confusing texts of the Bible. I began acquiring books that addressed such things as difficult passages of the Bible, or problems that caused confusion for the reader. Compass International has a daily devotional on the Internet and this morning they posted a reader question about Revelation 3:10, which by the way is very relevant for believers today. Revelation 3:10 is the promise of our deliverance or Rapture before all Hell begins. I share this example and how well it was explained.

Revelation 3:10—????

Good Morning Lord! — QUESTION FOR THE DAY

Dear Compass,

You have often referred to either not being able to lose your salvation or not being able to earn it. Since you also purport to believe in total inerrancy of Scripture, what do you do with the following verse?

“Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing . . .” —Revelation 3:10

As I read it, there is a direct connection between what you do and who goes to heaven. Am I wrong?

ANSWER:

At first glance, based on the way that verse has been traditionally translated, it would seem to support a works doctrine. However, careful examination of the Greek shows that it was improperly punctuated.

To save valuable space on the parchment, the ancient Greek and Hebrew manuscripts were written in all caps with no punctuation. Punctuation was assumed. This, of course,

caused problems when translating the text to other languages. Punctuation had to be added based on the translators' opinion. As an example, consider this sentence written without punctuation:

"I ATE BREAKFAST BECAUSE I WAS HUNGRY I READ THE NEWSPAPER."

By adding punctuation, it could be incorrectly translated to say:

"I ate breakfast. Because I was hungry I read the newspaper."

Or it could be properly translated to say, *"I ate breakfast because I was hungry. I read the newspaper."*

This is exactly what happened when the translators translated Revelation 3:10. It was simply human error.

In the original Greek, following proper sentence construction, **"because you have kept the word of My perseverance"** should be linked to the preceding phrase (verse 9), not the following phrase (verse 10). No period should have been inserted after **". . . I have loved you."** Rather, a comma could be inserted or no punctuation at all.

Also, adhering to proper exegesis, **"because"** could easily be translated **"for."** 96% of the translations of that word were translated **"for."** To translate it **"because,"** the translators used a *"suspensive use"* of the word, allegedly to make it read better. And **"kept"** could be translated **"obeyed."** So, making all the adjustments, the verse should read:

Verses 9-10 . . . ***"I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and make them know that I have loved you(,) (for) you have (obeyed) the word of My perseverance. I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell upon the earth."***

Paraphrased: *I will rapture you before I would let you enter into tribulation, or, through death, you will miss tribulation.*

And, with the correct translation, there is no "salvation by works" doctrine in that verse.

Rise of the Fourth Reich

Continued Evidence of HRH Prince Charles is the Antichrist

This is about the biggest narcotics and drug dealing criminal cartel in the world – the British Monarchy! But first, let us take a look at a little history about the world's oldest narcotic, opium, the humble poppy, and see how it all began. Opium Poppy and the Gods The common Opium Poppy, *Papaver somniferum* 'sleep-bringing poppy' is the species of plant from which for thousands of years opium and poppy seeds have been extracted. There are many sub-varieties of the plant, with varying colors. Other physical

characteristics, like shape of petals, number of flowers, fruit, seeds, can also vary widely. Opium extracted from the immature seed pods (fruit) of the plant contains up to 12% morphine, the opiate most frequently processed chemically to produce heroine for the illegal drug trade. Opium is the source of many opiates, including morphine, thebaine, codeine, papaverine, and noscapine.

Cultivation of opium poppies for food, anesthesia, ornamental purposes, and ritual, goes back to ancient Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Greece and Rome. The Ebers Papyrus, ca. 1500BC, describes a procedure to “*stop a child crying*” using grains of the poppy plant strained to a pulp. Spongia somnifera, sponges were used during surgery. In Egypt, the use of opium was credited to Thoth, and it was said to have been given by Isis to Ra as treatment for a headache. The Greek gods Hypnos (Sleep), Morpheus (Dreams), Nyx (Night), and Thanatos (Death) were often depicted wreathed in poppies or holding poppies in their hands. Poppies also frequently adorned the statues of Apollo, Asklepios, Pluto, Demeter, Aphrodite and Isis. Morphine, a drug made from opium, gets its name from Morpheus.

In ancient Greece opium was used with poison hemlock to put people quickly and painlessly to death during euthanasia, eu ‘good’ thanatos ‘death.’ In more modern times, Jack Kevorkian, the controversial doctor who helped his patients die who were suffering from incurable conditions named his euthanasia machine The Thanatron, after the Greek god of Death. Hypnos and Thanatos were associated with poppies, because of their hypnotic and addictive traits and eventual death engendered by overexposure to them. Socrates was put to death with opium and poison hemlock. Thanatos, Greek god of Death, is often shown carrying an inverted torch (holding it upside down in his hands) representing life extinguished.

A Brief History of the World Opium Drug Trade Dominated by Britain

See: <http://www.opioids.com/timeline/>

Opium was first brought to England by the Romans, but only from the early 1600’s under Elizabeth I did it begin to become big business with the ships purchasing it from India transporting it back to England. From the 1620’s Rajput troops fighting for the Mughals introduced the habit of taking opium to Assam. Opium was given daily to Rajput soldiers. **From 1637 onwards, opium became the main commodity of British trade with China.** In 1700, the Dutch introduced the practice of smoking opium in a tobacco pipe to the Chinese, and they also exported shipments of Indian opium to China.

In 1729, the Chinese Emperor, Yung Cheng, concerned about the growing opium addiction of his subjects, issues an edict prohibiting the smoking of opium and its domestic sale, except under license for use as a medicine. In 1750, the British East India Company assumed control of Bengal and Bihar, opium growing districts of India. British shipping then dominated the opium trade out of Calcutta to China. By 1767 the British East India Company’s export of opium to China then reached a staggering two thousand chests of opium per year. By 1773 the East India Company assumed

monopoly over all the opium produced in Bengal, Bihar and Orissa and Warren Hastings introduced a system of contracts through auction. In 1793, the British East India Company finally established a monopoly on the opium trade in India where all poppy growers were forbidden to sell opium to competitor trading companies.

In 1803, Friedrich Sertürner of Paderborn, Germany discovers the active ingredient of opium by dissolving it in acid then neutralizing it with ammonia, producing alkaloids Principium somniferum or morphine. In 1827, E. Merck & Company of Darmstadt, Germany, begins commercial manufacturing of morphine.

John Jacob Astor of New York City in 1816 joins the opium smuggling trade shipping Turkish opium to Canton on the ship Macedonian, later selling his opium to England.

In 1830, the British dependence on opium for medicinal and recreational use reaches an all-time high as 22,000 pounds of opium is imported from Turkey and India.

Jardine-Matheson & Company of London inherited India and its opium trade from the British East India Company once the mandate to rule and dictate the trade policies of British India were no longer in effect.

On March 18, 1839, Lin Tse-Hsu, imperial Chinese commissioner in charge of suppressing the opium traffic, orders all foreign traders to surrender their opium. In response, the British send expeditionary warships to the coast of China, beginning the First Opium War.

In 1841, The Chinese are defeated by the British in the First Opium War. Along with paying a large indemnity, Hong Kong is ceded to the British. In 1842 the Treaty of Nanking is signed between the Queen of Great Britain and the Emperor of China.

In 1856, the British and French renew their hostilities against China in the Second Opium War. In the aftermath, China is forced to pay another indemnity. The importation of opium is legalized. Opium production increases along the highlands of Southeast Asia.

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The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is founded by Scottish banker, Sir Thomas Sutherland (GCMG) (Order of St. Michael & St. George) in Hong Kong (March) and Shanghai (one month later) in 1865, with 70% of the bank's business financing the opium trade. Sutherland was also the Hong Kong superintendent for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O), and in 1863, became the first chairman of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock. In 1872, he was appointed Managing Director of P&O.

In 1895, Heinrich Dreser working for The Bayer Company of Elberfeld, Germany, finds that diluting morphine with acetyls produces a drug without the common morphine side effects, and coins the name 'heroin.' Three years later heroin was introduced commercially, and the market starts to gradually switch toward worldwide commercial pharmaceutical production.

In 1906, China and England finally enact a treaty restricting the Sino-Indian opium trade. In 1910, after 150 years of failed attempts to rid the country of opium, the Chinese are then finally successful in convincing the British to dismantle the India-China opium trade.

In the 1930's, the majority of the illegal heroin consumed switches from China to the U.S.

During the 1940's, as the result of WWII many of the opium trade routes are blocked. Sir William Stevenson, covertly was appointed to head and run the British Security Coordination (BSC) in New York City, headquartered in Room 3603, Rockefeller Center, representing MI5, MI6, Secret Intelligence Service (SIS), Special operations Executive (SOE), and the Political Warfare Executive (PWE). Stephenson's friend, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, then appoints another friend of Stephenson's, William J. "Wild Bill" Donovan, to be in charge of all U.S. intelligence services, founding the new U.S. wartime Office of Strategic Services (OSS), which eventually became the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) created in September 1947 under the National Security Act. The 16-pointed star on the Grand Temple, Great Hall, ceiling in Freemason's Hall, Great Queen Street, London, then becomes the logo and badge of the CIA, which still today remains a British agency.

In the 1950's, the CIA then becomes the primary drug-running agency of the British forging alliances with the drug warlords in the Golden Triangle (Laos, Thailand, Burma), supplying the drug lords with arms, ammunition and air transport for the production and sale of opium to be shipped back to the U.S. via the CIA.

In 1965-70, the CIA sets up a charter airline, Air America, to transport the huge volumes of raw opium from Burma and Laos back to the U.S. The official number of heroin addicts in the U.S. reaches 750,000.

On July 1, 1973, President Nixon creates the DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) under the Justice Department, to consolidate virtually all federal powers of drug

enforcement in a single agency – to preserve the CIA’s monopoly and block out their competition.

In 1978, the Golden Crescent area (Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan) is developed and upscaled for opium production.

1980s – 1990s – Afghanistan: The CIA-supported Mujahedeen rebels (part of the ‘Northern Alliance’) begin to supply the Agency with opium, which is transported to laboratories along the Afghan/Pakistan border. At this time, it is estimated that Afghanistan supplies up to half of the heroin used annually in the US and three-quarters of that used in Europe.

1980s – 1990s – Haiti: While working to keep key military and political leaders in power to protect the steady, huge supply of drugs coming from the region to the U.S., the CIA helped create a new Haitian organization, the National Intelligence Service (SIN), supposedly to help fight the cocaine trade, but in reality designed to protect it.

In 1992, Columbia’s drug lords expand their production and sale of opium to the U.S. and Europe.

In 1993, the Thai army with support from the US Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) launches its operation to destroy thousands of acres of opium poppies from the fields of the Golden Triangle region, with the intention of switching opium production to Afghanistan.

Afghanistan: from 2000

By 1999, Afghanistan is producing an estimated crop of 4,600 tons of opium, 75% of the world’s production.

In 2000, the Taliban leader, Mullah Omar, bans poppy cultivation in Afghanistan. In 2001, the Anglo/American military are brought in to ensure production continues, just as they did in the Opium Wars in China.

In September 2006, the head of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime reports that Afghanistan’s harvest of opium for the year will be around 6,100 metric tons. It now accounts for about 92% of the world’s supply.

By August 2007, the U.S. State Department’s top counter-narcotics official, Tom Schweich, claims that Afghanistan is now supplying close to 95% of the world’s heroin. Over 193,000 hectares of opium poppies are being cultivated by farmers, more than Columbia, Peru, and Bolivia combined.

In March 2008, a report from the Anglo, Pew Center, a Washington, DC think tank, reveals that over one in a hundred U.S. adults are now in jail, some 2,300,000 prisoners, with well over half for drug-related crime offences. Television Crime

Investigation programs are stepped up on SkyTV to give the impression everything is being done to stop the supply of drugs, by arresting small-time pushers, addicts and casual end-user individuals for nominal, minor offences and sending them to jail – while the real, big-business, drug lords and banking pirates in London and New York who control the CIA, and other big government perpetrators – are left untouched.

In late 2009, it is estimated Afghanistan is now generating in excess of \$200 billion in revenue for the Anglo/American CIA related companies and banks, but the leadership of the country is being increasingly threatened by *“insurgent guerrillas”* – Taliban rebel groups of Afghans who have been trying to either control or destroy big business’s monopoly of their country’s poppy production for years!

In November 2009, it is rumored President Obama is early in 2010 to send another 30,000 troops into Afghanistan, to control the Al Qaeda and Taliban, repress the insurgents, and reinstall a new puppet government! The British also plan to send in more of their own troops as well, together with NATO forces, Australians, and secret New Zealand SAS specialist *“assassination”* troops. Prime Minister of New Zealand, John Key, when questioned by the media recently about what the New Zealand SAS troops were doing in the country, simply said, *“the SAS operatives in Afghanistan are on a secret mission!”*

While Bill Clinton was Governor of Arkansas, it was widely alleged he was involved with the CIA syndicate dealing in millions of dollar’s worth of drugs a month, mainly cocaine, out of Mena, Arkansas. Since retiring from his position as U.S. President, Bill Clinton has established a powerful global organization called the Clinton Global Initiative, largely financed by the British Rothschild’s. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations is a member, as is Richard C. Holbrooke, Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan – United States Department of State. On June 28, 2009, an article appeared in the Los Angeles Times entitled, *“US to shift approach to Afghanistan drug trade.”* <http://articles.latimes.com/2009/jun/28/world/fg-afghan-drugs28> It read;

“The United States is shifting its strategy against Afghanistan’s drug trade, phasing out funding for opium eradication while boosting efforts to fight trafficking and promote alternate crops, the US envoy for the region said Saturday. The aim of the new policy: to deprive the Taliban of the tens of millions of dollars in drug revenue that is fueling its insurgency.”

Richard C. Holbrooke, the U.S. special envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, told the Associated Press that poppy eradication – for years a cornerstone of U.S. and UN drug trafficking efforts in Afghanistan – was not working and was driving the farmers to the Taliban. *“Eradication is a waste of money,”* Holbrooke said on the sidelines of a Group of 8 foreign ministers’ meeting on Afghanistan in Trieste, Italy, during which he briefed regional representatives of the new policy.

“It might destroy some acreage, but it didn’t reduce the amount of money the Taliban got by one dollar. It just helped the Taliban. So we’re going to phase out eradication,” he said. The Afghan foreign minister also attended the G-8 meeting.

Eradication efforts were seen as inefficient because too little was being destroyed at too high a cost, United Nations drug chief Antonio Maria Costa said.

Mr. Costa, by the way, also holds the rank of Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations. He has been a member of the OECD Working Group for financial transactions (FATF), a member of the IMF/World Bank, the Commission of the European Union Director General for Economics and Finance, and has been Secretary-General of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in London.

Another article, in *‘The Observer’*, Sunday, 13 December 2009, entitled, *“Drug money saved banks in global crisis, claims UN advisor,”* quotes Costa also:

“...Antonio Maria Costa, head of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime, said he has seen evidence that the proceeds of organized crime were the only liquid investment capital” available to some banks on the brink of collapse last year. He said that a majority of the \$352bn (£216bn) of drug profits was absorbed into the economic system as a result. This will raise questions about crime’s influence on the economic system at time of crisis. It will also prompt further examination of the banking sector as world leaders, including Barack Obama and Gordon Brown, call for new International Monetary Fund regulations... *“Inter-bank loans were funded by money that originated from the drugs trade and other illegal activities ... There were signs that some banks were rescued that way.”* Costa declined to identify countries or banks that may have received any drugs money, saying *“that would be inappropriate because his office is supposed to address the problem, not apportion blame. But he said the money is now a part of the official system and had been effectively laundered.”*

So who, exactly, is Antonio Maria Costa talking about?

Afghanistan: Chief Anglo/American Drug-Dealing Families

If one goes right back to the original British shareholders, families and owners of the companies and vessels engaged in the opium trade to China linked to the East India Company in the 1800’s you will find most of the chief pirates. Most of the gold, silver and money in the Hong Kong financial markets, generated from drug trafficking, payoffs and money laundering in the 1800’s, still flows through into the same companies and banks, even today.

King George IV and heirs, the Duchess of Athol, Earl of Balcarras, Marquis of Camden, Lady Melville, the Sutherlands, Barings, Lehmans, Rothschilds, Warburgs, Goldsmiths, Samuels, Mathesons, Jardines, Dent & Co, Russell & Co, Cama Bros, Pybus Bros, are today, but a few of them in London.

The head of Russell and Co's drug racketeering and pirating operations in Canton was Warren Delano Jr., the grandfather of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Other partners in Russell and Co were John Cleve Green, who used some of his drug dealing fortune to finance Princeton University. Another, Abiel Scott, financed the construction of Columbia University. Joseph Coolidge was another, whose grandson, Archibald Cary Coolidge, was the founding Executive Officer of the Council on Foreign Relations. The Russells and Tafts founded the Skull and Bones Society, named after the black flag with the skull and crossbones on it which was the corporate flag flown on all Russell Trust Company drug-dealing ships.

The enormously rich American Astor family today that owns the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York is another that grew directly out of British drug smuggling operations in the 1800's. John Jacob Astor's fur company in New York joined the opium trade in 1816 shipping tens of tons of contraband opium to Canton, and later became a British drug dealing shipping agent. Waldorf Astor became Chairman of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London after WWII.

There are literally dozens of these enormously rich "*old money*" drug-dealing families, banks and corporations, largely all based in London, that today still control the finances of the world. It would take a book to describe all of them, but three large ones of note are; The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC), The Standard Chartered Bank, and Jardine Matheson Holdings.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC)

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) was founded by a Scotsman, Sir Thomas Sutherland (GCMG), in Hong Kong (March) and Shanghai (in April, one month later) in 1865. Sir Thomas was the son of Robert Sutherland of Aberdeen. After moving to Hong Kong he first became the Hong Kong Superintendent for the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company (P&O), (which was founded in 1822 as Peninsular Steam Navigation Company by Brodie McGhie Willcox, a London ship broker, and Arthur Anderson, a sailor from Northern Scotland, and the company was renamed in 1837 by a Royal Charter the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company. Sir Thomas was appointed the Managing Director of P&O in 1872. In 1914 the company took over the British India Steam Navigation Company that had grown rich through shipping drugs, cotton and military troops. At the time, the British India Steam Navigation Company was the largest British shipping line owning 131 steamers. By the mid-20s it owned almost 500 ships. Today it is a massive company headquartered in London, but now owned by British-controlled Dubai Ports World following its sale in March 2006. As at 2004, it had a staff of 22,000 and revenue of £2.4 billion.

In 1863, Sir Thomas became the first chairman of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock and was a member of the legislative council for Hong Kong. After he founded HSBC he became its first vice-chairman. He later returned to England and was elected Member of Parliament for Greenock. After the British established Hong Kong as a colony in the

aftermath of the Opium Wars, with the massive growth in the production and trade of opium that ensued, and business in general, it was felt necessary to found the HSBC as a central clearing house and issuer of locally denominated banknotes in both the Crown Colony and Shanghai. The bank was first founded as the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Company Limited with a capital of HKD \$5 million. In 1866 it received a special dispensation from the British Treasury under the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Ordinance 1866, when a new branch was opened in Japan. The bank handled the first public loan in China in 1874, thereafter issuing most of China's public loans, and continues to do so up to the present day through a complex linkup with China's other big banks. From the 1800's, through expansion, mergers and takeovers, HSBC has grown to become the sixth biggest company and the largest banking group in the world.

Today the massive banking conglomerate is known as HSBC Holdings plc, headquartered at 8 Canada Square, Tower Hamlets, London. Its revenue in 2008 was U.S.\$137.309 billion, with total assets of U.S.\$2,527 billion, with 9,500 offices in 85 countries and territories, and a staff of 331,458 personnel. Indirectly, it also has huge cross-shareholdings in many giant U.S., European and Japanese banks as well. The Group Chairman, Stephen Green, is also Chairman of the British Bankers' Association. Some other directors of HSBC with other powerful cross-directorships are: V.H.C. Cheng GBS OBE, Vice-Chairman of the China Banking Association, and Vice President of the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers. J. D. Coombe, is a former Chairman of The Hundred Group of Finance Directors. D.J. Flint, is a Non-executive Director of BP. J.W.J. Hughes-Hallet, is a Non-executive Director and Chairman of Cathay Pacific Airways. W.S.H. Laidlaw is Executive Vice-President of Chevron Corporation. J.R. Lomax is a former Deputy Governor, Bank of England 2003-2008 and Vice President and Chief of Staff to the President of the World Bank 1995-1996. Sir Mark Moody-Stuart KCMG, is a former Chairman of Anglo American plc, Director and chairman of Shell. G. Morgan, is a Director of Alcan and is on the Board of Trustees of The Fraser Institute in Canada (the organization behind proposals to abolish the United States and replace it with the North American Union). S.M. Robertson, formerly was Managing Director of Goldman Sachs International and Chairman of Dresdner Klienwort Benson. J.L. Thornton, is Chairman of the Brookings Institution Board of Trustees, Non-executive Director of Ford motor Company, Intel Corporation, News Corporation and China Unicom. He is also a Director of the National Committee on United States-China Relations. Sir Brian Williamson CBE, is Chairman of London International Futures and Options Exchange – and on and on.

Standard Chartered Bank

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the Chartered bank became one of the principal foreign banknote issuing institutions in Shanghai. In 1862, the bank was authorized to issue bank notes in Hong Kong, a privilege it continues to today. When it established its branches in Hamburg and New York in 1912, Chartered Bank became the first foreign bank to officially be issued a license to operate in New York.

It continued to expand through the drug business, mergers and takeovers, acquiring the P&O and Allahabad Bank in 1927, Eastern Bank with many branches in Aden, Bahrain, Beirut, Lebanon, Qatar and UAE and Ionian Bank's Cyprus branches among others. The Standard Bank merged with the Standard Bank of South Africa in 1969, and the combined bank became the Standard Chartered Bank.

Today Standard Chartered Bank is headquartered in London, with operations in more than seventy countries. In 2008, it had revenues of U.S.\$23.448 billion, total assets of U.S.\$434.068 billion and 73,800 employees.

Jardine Matheson Holdings

Jardine, Matheson and Co. was founded in Canton on 1 July, 1832, by two Scottish traders, Dr. William Jardine and James Matheson. Jardine Matheson and Co. was among the first companies to make massive profits out of the illicit trade of opium from India to China. It was this company that first called on the British Parliament to compel China to compensate for the company's opium losses that were confiscated which led to the start of the Opium Wars in 1840. In 1834, their first free ship Jardine's Sarah, left Whampoa with a cargo of tea for London.

In 1858, William Keswick, the young nephew of Dr. Jardine, was sent to Japan to open up a branch in Yokohama, which was the first of many offices in other ports throughout the country. Since its Chinese drug smuggling days in the 1800's, the company has grown into the giant international conglomerate it is today.

Today the company is known as Jardine Matheson Holdings. Incorporated in the British tax haven in Bermuda, listed on the London Stock Exchange and Singapore Exchange, with headquarters in Hong Kong, its stated revenue in 2006 was U.S.\$27.1 billion. As of January 2007 it had 239,000 employees.

Today the Scottish Keswick family descendants of William Jardine's sister, and nephew, William Keswick, control the giant company and dynasty. Presently, Sir Henry Keswick is Chairman. The youngest brother, Simon Keswick, is a Director. During the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in Westminster Abbey in 1953, Henry Keswick was a page to Field Marshal Alan Brooke during the ceremony.

Sir Henry's younger brother, Sir John Chippendale "Chips" Lindley Keswick, is a former director and chairman of Hambros Bank, and is currently a non-executive director of a number of giant companies including DeBeers Sa., Investec Bank, and Persimmon plc. He has been a director of the Bank of England since 1993, as was his father Sir William between 1955 and 1973. Sir John "Chips" Keswick's wife, Lady Sarah Keswick, is a

longtime childhood close personal friend of Prince Charles, who still today is a regular fishing companion of the HRH The Prince of Wales who often stays at her and Chips's secluded estate in Scotland.

The Keswick family is also extremely close personal friends with another prominent Scottish family in London, the Flemings. From 1970 until 1998, Jardine Matheson operated a pan-Asian investment joint-venture investment banking firm, Jardine Fleming, shipping narcotics and laundering drug money, with Robert Fleming & Co., a large London merchant bank controlled by the Fleming family. In 2000, Jardine Fleming was sold to JP Morgan Chase for U.S.\$7.7 billion.

Ian Fleming, by the way, the author who wrote all of the secret British propaganda James Bond special agent 007 series of books (based on Elizabeth I's astrologer and 007 secret agent John Dee) just happens to have been a member of the same family!

Asian Development Bank and Trans-Afghanistan Pipeline

But more than the just illicit drug trade, the real name of the money game for these banking Anglo/Saxon pirates is gas and oil. In 2005, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) submitted the final version of the feasibility study designed by British company Penspen (agents of BP and Shell) to build the 1680 kilometers Trans-Afghanistan Pipeline to transport the massive Caspian Sea supplies of natural gas from Turkmenistan through Afghanistan into Pakistan and then to India, without having to rely on Russian routes. The British-controlled US-led offense to oust the Taliban from power subsequently accelerated soon after these proposals were first put forward in 2005. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/TransAfghanistan_Pipeline

The Asian Development Bank's shareholders are the 48 member countries within the AsiaPacific region, and 19 other UN OECD countries. <http://www.adb.org/About/membership.asp>

However, the bank has no finance of its own and is really just a "front" agency for giant City of London-controlled Anglo/American banks. The bank itself arranges its finance through borrowings through its Global Medium Term Note Program (GMTM Program) (GMTN Prospectus) which was established in 2001.

The ADB borrows in a broad range of currencies, instruments, markets, and maturities via issuing bonds onto the global institutional market and these are purchased and managed by: Deutsche, HSBC, JP Morgan and Morgan Stanley, Bank of America, BNP Paribas, Citigroup, Credit Suisse, Daiwa, Dresdner, Mizuho, Nomura, Royal Bank of Canada and UBS – **all British-controlled banks!**

<http://www.adb.org/media/Articles/2009/12895-global-bond-issue/>

<http://www.adb.org/Bond-investors/cf-shareholders.asp>

http://www.jpmorgan.com/tss?General/ADB_JPMorgan_Enter_Risk_Mitigation_Pact

It is therefore, not the shareholding countries that really own and control the Asian Development Bank, (who in turn borrow from it themselves on-loaned funds raised from

the ADB's sale of these bonds), but these giant City of London-controlled institutional banks that have purchased the GMTM Program bonds in the first place. These banking pirates, in reality, own and control the ADB, not the respective countries who guarantee the bonds at all! Indirectly, these banking criminals that control the ADB, increasingly control all the puppet countries and governments that borrow from it.

The same British banks that control the ADB, are the very ones that control the big oil companies, BP and Shell, that want to develop the pipeline. The reason why the U.S. was formerly used to kick the Russians out of Afghanistan was quite simply, the greed for developing the huge reserves of gas and oil in the area. The original project started in March 1995, when the inaugural Memorandum of Understanding between the governments of Turkmenistan and Pakistan for the pipeline project was signed. A new deal on the pipeline was signed on December 27, 2002 by the leaders of Turkmenistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2005, the Asian Development Bank submitted the final version of Penspen's study. Since the U.S. military was brought in to overthrow the Taliban government and "*stabilize*" the area, to date unsuccessfully, to allow the project to go ahead, the project has effectively been stalled. It was meant to have started in 2006, but to date the military forces have been unable to securitize the southern part of the Afghan section under Taliban control.

On 24 April 2008, Pakistan, India and Afghanistan signed a framework agreement to buy the anticipated huge volumes of gas that are expected to be piped from Turkmenistan. It is expected the pipeline will run from the Dauletabad gas field to Afghanistan running alongside the highway to Herat, to Kandahar, and then via Quetta and Multan in Pakistan, then to its final destination at the Indian town of Fazilka, near the border between Pakistan and India. Six huge compressor stations were to be constructed along the pipeline. The ADB's early estimate of the pipeline's cost was \$7.6 billion, and it was expected to be completed by 2014. However, they have insisted not to proceed with the project until the Anglo/American NATO military forces have securitized the area, and a "stable" puppet banking and political system in the country has been put in place.

The ADB considers that Afghanistan is the poorest country in the entire Asia-Pacific region, and is following the Afghanistan Compact, (based on the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness) adopted at the London Conference on Afghanistan in early 2006, to resolve the conflict and control the country. Afghanistan was one of the ADB's founding member countries in 1966, so the plans to take-over the country by the bankers has been going on for a long while. While NATO is being used to militarize the country, the ADB, on behalf of the Bank for International Settlements, is being used to fund and develop its new political and banking system. <http://www.adb.org/afghanistan/>

Afghanistan is a landlocked country, bordering Iran, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and China in the northeast, and has long been a key strategic point of conflict on the old Silk Road for centuries. It covers an area of 647,500 sq. km (251,772 sq. ml) and has a population of about 28 million. There are about 80,000 police officers, and about 90,000 troops in the Afghan National Army which are largely

ineffective. However, the country is plagued by inefficiency, endemic corruption, widespread illiteracy, and extreme poverty with most of its farmers' only real income coming from low, subsistence-level, farm-gate returns from poppy production. The people themselves are not the real recipients of the billions being generated out of the illicit opium trade at all. The main beneficiaries are the big bankers. Indeed, the Soviet Commander, General Mahmut Gareev, on August 3, 2009 in an interview <http://mydd.com/users//indepenergy/posts/us-taking-50-billion-per-year-in-afghan-dru> claimed the reason why the U.S. would not quickly stop the drugs production was because it was taking \$50 billion per year from them to cover the cost of the occupation. When the U.S. did a reverse and decided to abandon Afghanistan after twenty+ years, leaving behind several billion dollars of U.S. weapons questions began to ask why? In the abandonment, U.S. weapons have found their way to places in Ukraine, Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, and Iran. President Obama'biden wages his own plans to destroy Israel in my assessment in a much larger war.

Bank for International Settlements

The Bank for International Settlements (BIS), based in Basel, Switzerland, today controls all of the 57 regional central banks throughout the world including the giant U.S. Federal Reserve, and the central reserve Bank of Afghanistan.

The BIS itself was established in 1930 by the then Governor of the Bank of England, Montague Norman, and his German agent, Hjalmar Schacht, later Adolph Hitler's finance minister. The original board of directors included two of Hitler's appointees, Walter Funk and Emil Puhl, both convicted of Nazi war crimes at Nuremberg after WWII. Among other directors were Herman Schmitz, the director of IG Farben, and Baron von Schroeder, the owner of J.H. Stein Bank, which was the bank of Hitler's death squad, the Gestapo.

The bank is privately owned and controlled by the world's central banks which are themselves all private corporations, controlled by the Bank of England, whose remote origins goes back to its founding in 1694, by the "king's Jews" on behalf of the British Sovereign. Dr. Carl Melchoir, a partner in M Warburg and Company (the German intermediary banking arm of N.M. Rothschild and Sons in London) was also prominent in founding the BIS.

Basel is one of the chief centers of Jewish Zionism and banking in Europe, and it is no coincidence that the Swiss Bank Corporation was formed by the British Rothschild's in Switzerland in 1897, the same year that Dr Theodore Hertzl in August 1897 held the first Zionist Congress – following which, Lord Lionel Rothschild and Hertzl established the Jewish Colonial Trust in London to fund the future establishment of the modern State of Israel. In 1912, the Rothschild's were also instrumental in establishing the Union Bank of Switzerland. In 1996/1997 the Swiss Bank Corporation merged with S.G. Warburg Group, and on June 26, 1998, the Swiss Bank Corporation merged with the Union Bank of Switzerland to become UBS AG, now one of the biggest banks in the world.

Previously, in more modern times, the Scotsman, Sir Andrew Crockett, was General Manager of the BIS (January 1994 - March 2003) and Canadian, Dr. Malcolm D. Knight replaced him (April 2003 – September 2008). After leaving the BIS in 2003, Andrew Crockett was knighted in 2003, and later became the President of JP Morgan Chase. In 2008, Dr. Knight was appointed to the position of Vice-Chairman of British-controlled Deutsche Bank, now the biggest bank in Germany. Presently, Mervyn King, Governor of the Bank of England (from 2003) sits on the BIS Board of Directors, as does Paul Tucker, the Bank of England's Deputy Governor (from January 2009).

The present Chairman of the BIS Board of Directors is Guillermo Ortiz Martinez, former Governor of the Bank of Mexico, Mexico Secretary of Finance, and Ambassador to the IMF. The Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo, economist and U.S. Clinton administration banking criminal and drug lord puppet (President Bill Clinton gave Mexico a \$50 billion loan through him also while he was president) appointed Martinez to his Mexican positions to supposedly eliminate the local drug traffickers' monopoly over politics and business, and transfer the whole country to the Anglo/American banking and drug cartel. Since leaving his presidential office in Mexico, Zedillo has since been appointed to the boards of the Group of Thirty, Stonebridge International, Procter & Gamble, Alcoa, the Global Development Network, Coca-Cola, Union Pacific (that privatized many of Mexico's railroads during his presidency) and Electronic Data Systems.

The Vice-Chairman of the BIS (from 2003) presently is a German, Hans Tietmeyer. Before being appointed to his position at the BIS, he was the 5th President of the German Bundesbank and was President of the London Business School. The current General Manager of the BIS (from April 2009) is Jaime Caruana. He was previously the Governor of the Bank of Spain (July 2000 – July 2006) and Director of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department at the IMF.

BIS and Bank of Afghanistan

The central reserve Bank of Afghanistan or Da Afghanistan Bank (DAB) is indirectly controlled by the BIS in Switzerland. <http://www.bis.org/cbanks.html>

Abdul Qadeer Fitrat, who previously was appointed Governor of Afghanistan's central bank in 1996, was conveniently out of the country travelling to attend the World Bank's Annual Meeting in the same year, when Kabul was overrun by the Taliban. Following this, he was granted asylum in the U.S. working in Washington DC. as a consultant at the IMF, and later as a consumer banker for First Union National Bank in Northern Virginia from 2000-2001, then as an Advisor to the Executive Director at the World Bank for about four or five years. He returned back to Afghanistan after this, taking up the position of Governor of the Bank of Afghanistan in November 2007.

Presently, there are 17 licensed financial institutions of the Bank of Afghanistan, five of which are foreign banks, three of which hold 83% of Afghanistan's entire banking system assets.

See: <http://www.centralbank.gov.af/licensed-financial-institutions.php>

This amazing, “*Strategic Plan (2009-2014)*,” outlines the British banking pirates’ BIS economic plan for Afghanistan in the future. Incredibly, it even includes their projected income from illicit opium production converted into local currency, in more recent times pumped into housing construction and they even have the cheek and arrogance to openly publish this Plan on the Internet!

Also, this Strategic Plan includes the frantic efforts being put forward to set up a national credit registry, following the Law on Mortgage legislation passed by the Afghan Parliament, the Secured Transactions Law on Movable Properties and Negotiable Instruments Law, in 2009 (see page 25) – to legally tie up all of the assets of the country under a City of London mort-gage (French: ‘death-bond’).

The Strategic Plan – Da Afghanistan Bank – 2009-2014, includes the “*Islamic Banking*” model and methods being used by the British bankers through the BIS how to get around the old rules of Moslem Shariah law known as Fiqh al-Muamalat Al Maliah (Islamic rules on financial transactions), which prohibit the charging of ribá (interest) – by introducing cunning concepts like “*profit sharing*” (Mudharabah), “*safekeeping*” (Wadiah), “*joint venture*” (Musharakah), “*mark up*” (Murabahah), “*leasing-purchase*” (shera min Tariq al Ijarah) and bonds (Sukuk) – so as not to upset the Holy Qur’an and the Prophet Muhammad of course! – and to help Afghanistan join the other 265 Islamic banks and other financial institutions operating in 40 countries with total assets over \$262 billion that the BIS controls!

The five foreign banks, controlling over 90% of the financial assets of Afghanistan’s banking system now registered by the central Bank of Afghanistan are: Standard Chartered Bank, National Bank of Pakistan, Punjab National Bank, Habib Bank, and First Micro Finance Bank.

Standard Chartered Bank:

[See previous sub-section earlier in this segment ‘Standard Chartered Bank’ in more detail] – This giant British banking pirate was founded in London in 1851-1853 under a charter from Queen Victoria, based in Shanghai and Hong Kong, grew rich out of its illicit opium bills and drug money laundering operations with HSBC and others following the Opium Wars with China. The bank is based in London today, and is the number one criminal bank operating under cover of the Bank of Afghanistan.

National Bank of Pakistan:

The National Bank of Pakistan, founded in 1949, was licensed by the Bank of Afghanistan in 2003. It is the largest commercial bank operating in Pakistan, based in Karachi, with over 1200 branches, and is 49% owned by the Government of Pakistan and 51% by a British banking joint venture consortium of Abu Dhabi. The Chairman of the National Bank of Pakistan is Syed Ali Raza, whose brother, Mr Syed Salim Raza, an ex Citibank employee,

http://www.makepakistanbetter.com/Why_how_what_forum.asp?GroupID=5&Group

was implicated in the U.S. Senate investigation into Citigroup’s multi-billion dollar secret Swiss accounts/drug money laundering/drugs-for-arms operations with him in 1999.

According to Doctor Haq in his article, <http://pakobserver.net/200907/06/Articles03.asp> the State bank of Pakistan was deeply involved, and the most recent estimates in (2008) are that 60 offshore jurisdictions around the world with about 4,000 offshore banks are now involved that control approximately \$5 trillion in assets.

The huge size of black economy in Pakistan has clear linkage with the drug-for-arms transactions. There is an urgent need to crack down on the ruthless drug barons and arms dealers, who know how to move money from one part of the world to another, buy government functionaries, control politicians, law enforcement officials and get the profits they want from the drug trade – a deal of death for many innocent people around the world.

Punjab National Bank:

The Punjab National Bank (PNB) was founded on May 19, 1894, based at Anarkali Bazaar Lahore. It is the second largest government-owned bank in India with approximately 4,900 branches in 764 cities, serving 37 million customers. In 1986 its London branch was involved in a big fraud scandal, in which the Reserve Bank of India transferred the branch into the State Bank of India to hide the fraud.

Habib Bank:

Habib Bank Limited (HBL) headquartered in Habib Bank Plaza, Karachi, is the largest bank in Pakistan. Soon after Pakistan was founded by the British in 1947, it was established at the urging of the British Governor General Jinnah. At first it was controlled by the Habib family until the Pakistan Government nationalized it in 1974. It has a network of over 1450 branches in the country, controls a market share of over 40% and has about 55 branches in foreign countries.

In 1991, the British-controlled Habib Group established a separate private bank, Bank AL Habib, after private banking was re-established in Pakistan. Habib Bank Ltd then opened a branch in Fiji, and took over all the branches of failed criminal bank, BCCI.

BCCI (Bank of Credit and Commerce International) was a big international bank founded in 1972 in Luxembourg and London, by British and Abu Dhabi “nominee” banking agent, Agha Hasan Abedi, a Pakistan financier. Within ten years of opening it had over 400 branches, had assets in excess of \$20 billion, and at the time was the 7th largest bank in the world by assets.

Price Waterhouse was the accountants for BCCI Overseas, while Ernst & Young audited BCCI and BCCI Holdings in London and Luxembourg. In October 1985, the Bank of England and the Institut Monétaire Luxembourgeois (Luxembourg’s bank regulator) ordered BCCI to change to a single accountant alarmed at reported BCCI losses, and in 1987 Price Waterhouse became the sole accountants. In 1990, a Price Waterhouse audit of BCCI revealed unaccountable losses of hundreds of millions that had vanished into thin air, and that it had made a staggering \$1.48 billion worth of loans to its own shareholders, who had used the proceeds for collateral.

BCCI handled money for dictators such as Saddam Hussein, Manuel Noriega, Husain Mohammad Ershad and Samuel Doe among others. These actions led to it being nicknamed in the global banking community as, “*The Bank of Crooks and Criminals International*” (BCCI). Naturally, then, as could reasonably be expected, the U.S. Government and CIA held numerous accounts at BCCI, according to testimony of William von Raab, former U.S. Commissioner of Customs. So too, did Oliver North have accounts at BCCI.

These bank accounts held at BCCI by the CIA and Oliver North were used for a variety of illegal covert operations, transfers of money and weapons related to the Iran-Contra scandal, arming and financing the Afghan Mujahedeen (in Arabic meaning, ‘struggler’ ‘freedom fighter’ – Afghan’s resistance movement) during the Afghan War against the Soviet Union, laundering illicit opium drug money from trafficking heroin grown on the Pakistan/Afghanistan borderlands for the U.S. and European markets.

BCCI, like all the other global, fraudster “fascist” banks today, built up a strong, philanthropic, charitable image and façade for the public to hide its primary illegitimate pirating activities. It established the Third World Foundation in London, the Infaq Foundation in Pakistan together with some of the top universities of the region, such as BCCI FAST (Institute of Computer Sciences) and GIK (Institute of Science, Engineering & Technology) and provided financial support and sponsorship for many others. It also established Cromwell Hospital in London (now owned by Bupa).

Much of the money BCCI provided through letters of credit to Najmeddin and Marc Rich in the 80’s went straight to Saddam Hussein. Rich was later indicted in the U.S. for tax evasion and racketeering in an apparently unrelated case. He fled the country, but later received a controversial pardon from his mate, Bill Clinton, on January 20, 2001, the day Clinton’s job as President of the United States ended.

In 2002, Denis Robert and Ernest Backes, (former number three in charge of Clearstream), described BCCI as “*still operating*” after its official closure. They were right, of course. Habib Bank took over BCCI’s main criminal operations in 1991. That’s why it is one of the five big banks operating in Afghanistan today!

First Micro Finance Bank:

The First Micro Finance Bank, registered in Geneva, was established by the Aga Khan Rural Support Programme and the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development in March 2002. It is owned by the Aga Khan Development Network. After its founding it has grown into one of the biggest banks operating in Pakistan and Afghanistan with well over 100 branches.

The Aga Khan Development Network that owns First Micro Finance Bank is a group of private, Rothschild Anglo/Swiss bankers through their Pakistani nominees that are working to expand financial development in the Middle East. Other agencies in Pakistan controlled by the Aga Khan Development Network are; Aga Khan Foundation, Aga Khan Health Services, Aga Khan Agency for Microfinance, Aga Khan Fund for

Economic Development, Aga Khan Planning and Building Services, Focus Humanitarian Assistance, Aga Khan Humanitarian Services, Aga Khan Trust for Culture, University for Central Asia and Aga Khan University.

The Aga Khan Development Network was jointly established with the late Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan (KBE – Knight of the British Empire) (17 January 1933 – 12 May 2003). Born in Paris, France, he was the son of Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah Aga Khan and Princess Andrée Aga Khan. He had a long term of service with the United Nations and world conservation community. In 1977, Prince Sadruddin, together with Denis de Rougemont and a few other friends, established a Geneva-based think-tank, Groupe de Bellerive (named after Bellerive, the municipality where he lived in Geneva), and a non-profit organization, the Bellerive Foundation. The foundation was a leading grassroots conservation/environmental action group collaborating with the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) headed by Prince Philip, and also a great supporter of the environmental agencies headed by Prince Charles. Initially, Bellerive worked with UNICEF and the United Nations Children’s Fund in the struggle against deforestation and pollution.

At the World Economic Forum in 1990, he launched Action Help to protect the mountain ecosystem to preserve the Alps’ cultural diversity. He was a long-standing trustee and former Vice-President of the World Wide Fund for Nature International.

In May, 2006, the activities of the Bellerive Foundation were merged into the Geneva-based Aga Khan Foundation, founded in 1967 by Prince Sadruddin’s nephew, Karim Aga Khan IV, to form the Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan Fund for the Environment.

During Prince Sadruddin’s lifetime he accumulated arguably the finest private Islamic art collection in the world, funded mainly from Pakistan banking drug dealing profits.

Prince Sadruddin’s father held powerful roles in India, and was instrumental in the formation of Pakistan. His father served two terms as President of the League of Nations.

Muslims believe that Prince Sadruddin’s Persian nobility and family lineage goes back to the Prophet Muhammad, through his daughter Fatima and cousin Ali. Before he died, he was awarded Honorary Citizen of Patmos (where John wrote the book of Revelation – where he owned a house), Bourgeois d’Honneur de Geneve, Commandeur de la Légion d’honneur (France), Pontifical Order of St. Sylvestre (Holy See), Order of the Star of the Nile (Egypt) and of course, for his drug dealing banking services to Queen Elizabeth II, was made a Knight Commander of the British Empire.

So yes. The First Micro Finance Bank has the “*highest of ethical standards*” there is no doubt – like the other big four foreign banks in Afghanistan, whose only desire is to try and help the poor Afghani people! – by helping to bankroll the annual \$200 billion illicit drug trade laundering operations throughout the country!

The Queen’s Death Star: Iraq

The first big “nut to crack” in the Middle East was Iraq. Originally Saddam Hussein was put into power as a puppet leader by the British to privatize and develop Iraq’s huge oil reserves, but in his new role, the power quickly went to his head and he wouldn’t do what he was told – so the Queen’s top military agent, the American President, George H.W. Bush Sr. (and later “Slick Willie” President Bill Clinton) was called in with U.S. “cannon-fodder” troops to get rid of him, teach the Iraqis a lesson, and put a new puppet administration into power.

So Commander-in-Chief U.S. Army Forces Command (1989) and Chairman of the Joints Chiefs of Staff (1989-1993) Colin Luther Powell, and Commander of U.S. Central Command, Coalition Forces, General H. Norman “*Stormin’ Norman*” Schwarzkopf were summarily brought in with 580,000 cannon-fodder U.S. troops to do the dirty work in Gulf War I in Desert Storm in 1991 (and later, Gulf War II, ‘Shock and Awe’ campaign in 1993) – and, with hundreds of aircraft, slaughter well over a million of innocent Iraqi (and Kuwaiti) civilians and children, destroy the integral infrastructure of the cities, pollute the water supply, and saturate the entire country with white phosphorus, and radio-active waste from thousands of tons of depleted uranium missiles and shells exploded in the war.

The aftermath for the Iraqis: A new puppet government was then gradually put in place to develop the oil deposits for the Queen’s banking pirates. But no matter, still hundreds of thousands of innocent Iraqi civilians are now slowly dying from a widespread epidemic of radiation-induced cancer. In cities such as Fallujah, now large numbers of children are being born with severe deformities, two heads, no heads, missing limbs and huge increases in painful diseases of the central nervous system. But yes, the operation was a success. The oil is now beginning to flow and the arrogant rat-bags at the top get fatter and fatter. Marine Corp General Smedley Butler said that War is a Racket in a speech and a book in 1934.

The aftermath for the Americans: Of the 580,400 soldiers and Queen’s mentally retarded “cannon-fodder” who served in the three-week Gulf War I in 1990-1991, by the year 2000, 11,000 were dead, and 325,000 were on permanent medical disability with Gulf War Syndrome, vaccine-induced-radiation-induced ailments – and the figures were quickly rising.

However, there are always “*winner and losers*,” and on this particular occasion in the Gulf, as usual, the old money criminal cabal were the big winners, who even without their projected oil revenue in the future that will be produced from Iraq – got fantastically richer! Leuren Moret, in *The Queen’s Death Star*, perceptively wrote in February, 2006; <http://www.mindfully.org/Nucs/2006/DU-Europe-Moret26feb06.html>

“*Who is profiting from this global uranium nightmare?*” Dr. Jay Gould revealed in his book *‘The Enemy Within’*, that the British Royal Family privately owns investments in uranium holdings worth over \$6 billion through Rio Tinto Mines. The mining company was formed for the British Royal family in the late 1950’s by Roland Walter “Tiny”

Rowland, the Queen's buccaneer... Africa and Australia are two of the main sources of uranium in the world.

The Rothschild's control uranium supplies and prices globally, and one serves as the Queen's business manager. Filmmaker David Bradbury made "Blowin' In The Wind" to expose depleted uranium bombing and gunnery range activities contaminating pristine areas of eastern Australia, and to expose plans to extract over \$36 billion in uranium from mines in the interior over the next 6 years. Halliburton has finished construction of a 1,000 mile railway from the mining area to a port on the north coast of Australia to transport the ore.

The Queen's favorite American buccaneers, Cheney, Halliburton, and the Bush family, are tied to her through uranium mining and the shared use of illegal depleted uranium munitions in the Middle East, Central Asia and Kosovo/Bosnia.

The major roles that such diverse individuals and groups such as the Carlyle Group, George Herbert Walker Bush, former Carlyle CEO Frank Calucci, the University of California managed nuclear weapons labs at Los Alamos and Livermore, and U.S. and international pension fund investments have played in proliferating depleted uranium weapons is not well known or in most instances even recognized, inside or outside the country. God Save The Queen from the guilt of her complicity in turning Planet Earth into a "Death Star."

This is why George Bush Senior, Colin Powell and Norman Schwarzkopf were knighted as members of the Order of the Bath, whose Great Master is HRH The Prince of Wales, and its military motto is his, *Ich Dien* – 'I SERVE.'

The whole Royal Program is not only just about oil, drugs and arms. It is primarily about the love of money and the unrestrained lust for global power and world domination.

The traditional steps being followed by the British colonial aristocracy to take over entire countries has always generally been the same:

1. You saturate the country with drugs to destroy the minds of the local inhabitants.
2. Through drug addiction, you then begin to destroy the real economy and make enormous profits from drug trafficking, while crime escalates and the jails fill up.
3. Once the economy begins to collapse, you fund and train the local patriotic insurgent groups from some of your massive drug profits, to wreck and terrorize the country politically, and then call the local patriotic "fundamentalist" groups who oppose you a pack of irresponsible "terrorists," savages and natives.
4. You then create an even bigger crisis, often preempted by rebellion, natural disasters tsunamis, floods and earthquakes, and then bring in your military cannon-fodder to invade and devastate the country on the pretext that you are genuinely fighting the

“terrorists” and only want to help liberate the local inhabitants, raise the impoverished peoples’ living standards, and the help the poor out of their misery.

5. You set up a new, “*democratic dictatorship*” puppet government, BIS-World BankIMF financial structure and political system, and then legally take over the entire wealth of the country.

6. You then hand out honors and plum jobs to the chief rats that have supported you.

7. You give a fraction of your illicit drug-dealing profits and ill-gotten gains to charity, then go to church on Sunday, both intimating to the general public at large and your mindless congregation, you are, in fact, at the end of the day – nothing more than a conservative, good, fine, upstanding, English Christian gentleman!

8. You then carry on the same process ad infinitum, move on to your next unsuspecting colonial target, and presto! – soon your dirty hands and empire controls and owns the world!

Iran:

Drugs, oil, arms and money After Afghanistan, the next prime target on the Queen’s Middle East hit list is Iran. According to most estimates, Iran’s oil reserves now rank second or third in the world. However, since the Iranian Revolution in 1979, war with Iraq, political instability, fractured infrastructure, and restricted investment, Iran’s production has declined considerably. In spite of this, the country still has received a huge income from the sale of oil, but because of inefficiency and endemic corruption, and its huge expenditure on arms, the rewards have not been utilized by the government to reduce unemployment or inflation or help improve the standards of the people.

Iran-Contra Affair:

Was a political scandal in the U.S. that surfaced in 1986 under President Reagan, in which senior government officials and business leaders were alleged to be involved in illegally selling arms to Iran and the Nicaraguan Contras (subject to an arms embargo) paid for by CIA and U.S. Department of State through their extensive cocaine drug trafficking operations in South America. In Iran’s case, the US was paying top officials in Israel with CIA “black budget” drug proceeds to supply arms to Iran to secure the release of hostages in the 1970s and early 1980s.

The affair broke out when a Lebanese newspaper, Ash-Shira, on November 3, 1986, reported that the U.S. sold arms to Iran through Israel in exchange for the release of hostages of Hezbollah. At the time, Iran was in the midst of the Iran-Iraq War, and could find few nations, officially at least, to supply it with weapons. The scandal was compounded when Oliver North destroyed or hid pertinent documents relating to the alleged deals. During his subsequent trial in 1989, his secretary, Fawn Hall, testified extensively about helping North shred and remove important official U.S. National Security Council documents from the White House.

Oliver North and John Poindexter were indicted on multiple charges on March 16, 1988. North, who was indicted on 16 counts, was found guilty by a jury of three minor counts. In 1990, Poindexter was convicted on several felony counts of conspiracy, lying to Congress, obstruction of justice, and altering and destroying documents, but his convictions were later overturned on appeal. Caspar Weinberger was indicted for lying to the Independent Counsel but was later pardoned by President George Bush. Later, in 1992, Bush also pardoned six other chief administration officials who were also involved; Elliot Abrams, Duane R. Clarridge, Alan Fiers, Clair George, Robert McFarlane and Casper Weinberger. Later Bush appointed some of them to high-level posts in his administration.

It was later discovered by concerned Israelis, that Israeli Prime Minister, Shimon Peres, was the one who was dealing with Michael Ledeen, a consultant of National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane over the arms sales to Iran. Of course, Shimon Peres, on July 15, 2007, was elected to the position of President of Israel for a seven-year term, and for his nefarious work over the arm sales debacle and other covert activities over many years for the Queen, he was duly knighted by the Queen at Buckingham Palace in November, 2008.

The excommunicated Israeli Intelligence operative, Ari Ben-Menashe, wrote a stunning book in 1992 about the whole rotten business entitled, *'Profits of War'* – The sensational story of the world arms conspiracy. In his highly revealing book he describes how the corrupt Israeli and U.S. governments collude to forge links with Eastern European dictators, South American guerillas/drug lords and South African extremists – to sell arms, chemicals, drugs, assist in orchestrating terrorist attacks and funnel illicit arms proceeds through Israeli Intelligence agents in London and Australia – through such people as the (then) Labor Premier of Western Australia, Brian Burke, and others such as Yosef Goldberg, a W.A. wealthy businessman, and Alan Bond, as the guardian of the John Curtin Foundation funds. BenMenashe exposes major illicit global arms dealers like Mark Thatcher, son of former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher (who was fully aware of her son's criminal activities while she was P.M.), and John Knight, head of Dynavest Limited, located at 8 Waterloo Place, London SW1. The list goes on and on.

The Intermountain Regional Airport at Mena, Arkansas, was the main delivery point in the US for the receipt of the CIA's Nicaraguan cocaine drugs shipments, the proceeds of which were partly used to finance the arms sales to Iran and the Contras, with the complicity of Bill Clinton, then Governor of Arkansas. The hundreds of millions of dollars proceeds were laundered through local Arkansas banks, Morgan Guarantee, Madison S&L, Worthen Bank and most importantly, the Arkansas Development Finance Authority. Most of the dozens of individuals murdered by Bill Clinton while he was Governor of Arkansas and US President, were related to Clinton's and the CIA's illicit drug-dealing operations at Mena. For "*The Clinton body count*" to date, see: <http://www.zpub.com/un/un-bc-body.html>
<http://www.everwonder.com/david/suspicious.html>

Haiti:

The Clinton and Bush administration's main strategic "*transit point*" for the U.S. Government's massive drug dealing operations out of Nicaragua and South America, was (and still is) in Haiti. The Republic of Haiti is considered the poorest of all the countries in American region, with a mainly black impoverished population of 9 million, high inflation and an increasingly unstable government, with its leaders on the CIA drug-trafficking payroll. In the spring of 2008, Haitians violently demonstrated against rapidly rising food prices and corruption in their government, with some of the main roads on the island blocked, with burning tires forcing the CIA's main drug-trafficking airport at the capital, Port au Prince, to close. This growing instability is now seriously threatening the multi-billion dollar per year unrestrained shipments of drugs coming from South America to the U.S.

In British banking strategic terms, Haiti is now very similar to Afghanistan, and it is only a question of time before there soon will be a big, terrorist event, man-made crisis, or natural event or emergency to "*preempt*" the Queen's "*Clinton-Bush drug-cabal*" coming in with the U.S. military under President Obama, to "*save*" Haiti's impoverished people from the widespread crisis. The reason why such a dramatic event is not very far away is that the country is now effectively bankrupt, and it must be stabilized to protect the drug transit point.

Following a program of economic and social reforms recommended by the Jubilee Debt Campaign UK, Jubilee USA, and the Haiti Debt Cancellation Resolution by the 66 sponsors in the U.S. House of Representatives in February 2008 to cancel Haiti's debt, Haiti was added to the World Bank and IMF's "*Highly Indebted Poor Country Initiative (HIPC)*." In September 2009, Haiti met the requirements for completion of the HIPC program, qualifying it for cancellation of \$1.2 billion, part of its debt obligations. Haiti's largest creditor, the Inter-American Bank (IAB), however, is not part of the debt relief initiative. The InterAmerican Bank, headquartered in Washington, DC, controlled by the BIS, World Bank and IMF, is the Americas "regional" central bank, equivalent to the Asian Development Bank funding Afghanistan.

The British, through the Bank of England and big City of London-controlled clearing banks, control the BIS, World Bank, IMF, OECD, and U.S. Federal Reserve, which in turn control the world's five big regional banks; International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Inter-American Development Bank, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, and European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The credit created (largely through the sale of junk bonds) loaned from these giant, super-international regional banks is largely now being used to takeover entire countries, with the assets of their people, through the BIS-controlled international reserve banking system. Afghanistan and Haiti are just two prime examples of many. Arms dealing, drugs, oil, money, and world domination is what the Queen's pirating game is all about. In the end of the day, it is not about helping others. It is all about deceptively taking everything for yourself, and setting up a global "*feudalistic*" fascist police state and global dictatorship.

Iran: Global Crisis Coming Soon: Iran is an entirely different *"kettle of fish"* than Afghanistan or Iraq. While Afghanistan covers 251,772 sq. mi with a population of 28 million, Iran is vastly bigger and covers 636,372 sq. mi with a population of 70 million, possessing a much bigger, more modern, powerful military infrastructure than either Iraq or Afghanistan. Iran effectively controls the Straits of Hormuz, through which bulk tankers travel supplying 40 percent of the world's total oil needs. While Britain's aim, (through its puppet U.S. President, NATO, American "cannon-fodder" troops, and U.S. military machine, is ultimately to *"democratize"* and control Iran in much the same as the other countries throughout the region and the world – any escalating tensions in the area between Iran and either Israel or the U.S. could produce unanticipated, (or more correctly, deliberately created) unprecedented, global economic and political chaos.

In February 2009, Mahmoud Bahami, the current Governor of the Central Bank of Iran, served as the representative of the G-12 at the IMF Spring Meeting April 25-26 in Washington DC, and he and the other five members on Iran's central bank board have been closely working with BIS and IMF officials to reform the banking system in the country – so there are already clear signs behind the scenes that the British are working towards *"democratizing"* the banking system in preparation to take over the entire country. But in practice, it might be much more difficult to achieve than expected.

There has been a relentless, widespread British global media propaganda campaign over the past several years preparing the world for an upcoming crisis in Iran claiming *"Iran is developing a nuclear capability"* with the stated intention to destroy Israel. Whether this *"nuclear program"* is real or imagined, it is true that Iranian President, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, has publicly, on a number of separate occasions, called to *"wipe Israel off the map."* His successors have not dropped a beat in this threat.

Even if the allegations about Iran's nuclear program are true or not, and the U.S. sanctions on Iran accelerate as they are, because of his Moslem sympathies, and pro-Palestinian appointments in recent days, President Barack Obama might have been *"reticent"* to act more strongly in the future, forcing Israel to directly respond itself, possibly with nuclear weapons. Britain does not want this to happen, and would rather see NATO or coalition forces stabilizing the whole area including Iran, thus eliminating the blame for events against specific nations. However, things may not turn out entirely as expected. President Obama in hind sight has probably done more to help Iran.

This whole growing antagonism by Iran (and all the Moslem nations as well) against Israel is entirely SPIRITUALLY-based and is potentially a ticking nuclear time-bomb for the world which could soon dramatically plunge the entire Middle East into a burning cauldron of despair. If Israel were forced to act, the worldwide financial and political system could almost overnight be turned into utter chaos as the result of any major disruption to energy supplies. In the event, Israel and the Jews would get much of the blame and would be passionately hated by all of the Gentile nations. As a consequence, highly indebted individuals and nations would desperately struggle to pay their mortgages and debt obligations in the crisis, causing the "King's Jews" and international bankers above all to become even more hated. Time will soon reveal when this

impending crisis will inevitably commence, and quite possibly set the stage for a superior, “Messiah-like” dictator to step in, bring all the parties together, and bring some form of peace to this volatile area – indeed, to the world.

The Poppy Prince

Mamoud Ahmadinejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, has absolutely not changed his views. In concluding his airily prophetic speech to the UN in New York City on September 23, 2009, interestingly, he passionately reiterated his spiritual convictions:

“And the last point that I’d like to make. Dear friends and colleagues; The world is in continuous change and evolution. The promised destiny for the mankind is the establishment of the humane pure life. Will come a time when justice will prevail across the globe and every single human being will enjoy respect and dignity. That will be the time when the Mankind’s path to moral and spiritual perfectness will be opened and his journey to God and the manifestation of the God’s Divine Names will come true.

*The mankind should excel to represent the God’s “knowledge and wisdom,” His “compassion and benevolence,” His “justice and fairness,” His “power and art,” and His “kindness and forgiveness.” **These will all come true under the rule of the Perfect man, the last Divine Source on earth, Hazrat Mahdi (Peace be upon him): an offspring of the Prophet of Islam, who will re-emerge, and Jesus Christ (Peace be upon him) and other noble men will accompany him in the accomplishment of this, grand universal mission. And this is the belief in Entezar (Awaiting patiently for the Imam to return).** Waiting with patience for the rule of goodness and the governance of the Best which is a universal human notion and which is a source of nations’ hope for the betterment of the world.*

***They will come,** and with the help of righteous people and true believers will materialize the man’s long-standing desires for freedom, perfectness, maturity, security and tranquility, peace and beauty. They will come to put an end to war and aggression and present the entire knowledge as well as spirituality and friendship to the whole world.”*

See: <http://capital-flow-analysis.com/capital-flow-watch/probability-of-war-between-israel>

Paradoxically, was he talking about worshipping the World Poppy King? – The green champion Prince of rainforests, world conservation, and Royal Patron of Islam? – Author of sustainable development and world environmentalism who, through his International Business Leaders Forum, Prince’s Charities, and Patronage of Poppy Day in the Commonwealth – already now directly or indirectly controls every major bank, corporation, country, politician and major drug-dealing operation in the world? – Could he be the one? – The **“Hazrat Mahdi”** – the green offspring of the Prophet of Islam, who Ahmadinejad was talking about? A man, like Jesus Christ, who will re-emerge shortly, to provide the rule of law, goodness and governance of the Best – and through

his superior knowledge and philosophical wisdom, his compassion and benevolence, put an end to war, bring peace and hope to the nations, humanity, and save the world.



**From the archives of Pastor Bob's Studies on
Deliverance before Judgment / Pre-Tribulation Rapture
Why the Rapture Occurs Before the Revealing of the Antichrist!**

The theme of "Deliverance before Judgment" as revealed in the Exodus from Egypt is the topic for this segment. The book of Exodus has "40" chapters, an interesting number given what was covered in the last segment concerning the Biblical number of 40. The key in this book is "*Redemption*" (deliverance). All theologians and Bible scholars are in total agreement, with the exception of those who reject the historicity of the Exodus. Exodus contains 1,213 verses with 32,692 words. The pivotal passages are Exodus 6:6 and 18:5-8. (Moses acknowledges it was God who delivered them from Egyptian slavery).

"Therefore say to the children of Israel: "I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments". –(Exodus 6:6).

The climax of the entire Old Testament is recorded in chapters 12-15 of Exodus. The salvation of Israel is through the blood and through the Red Sea. **Blood and water were necessary for their deliverance.**

An interesting aside to think about is that humanity had no archeological proof outside the recorded story in the Bible that the event we know as the Exodus from Egypt was a real occurrence. Up until the early mid-1990's, we did not have a single stitch of evidence to confirm that the Exodus event was true. In 2002, Dr. Lennert Moller published '*The Exodus Case*' which contains incredible information on the land-bridge that extends across the Red Sea where the Israelites were miraculously delivered from certain death by the Egyptians at the Red Sea. ^(1,2,3,4) The land-bridge is approximately 260 meters below the surface of the Red Sea where the Israelites crossed over to Yom Supf or Nuweiba. On either side of this land-bridge the Red Sea drops off to a depth of 5,000-feet on the north side and to a depth of 8,000-feet to the south of the land-bridge.

Atheists have attempted to discredit Dr. Moller as part of an effort to deny the existence of Moses, but there is related evidence to support that the Exodus was a real historic event. In 2003 Dr. Moller was a guest on "*Prophecy in the News*" and he shared many fascinating discoveries. YouTube links to his interview are provided under Notes at the end of this segment. Archeologists, underwater filming, and other researchers have been hampered in their attempts to investigate and conduct further research because of the geo-politics that continues to exist between Egypt and Saudi Arabia.

Additionally, Jim and Penny Caldwell made several explorations in Saudi Arabia confirming that the real Mount Sinai is in Saudi Arabia and not in Egypt, as originally claimed by church researchers over the past couple of centuries. Dr. Moller also confirms this in further detail.

While Jim worked for over ten years with Arabia-Amoco Oil, the Caldwell's used their vacation time to explore the surrounding area. They published a DVD and a book of

their exploration experiences titled *“The God of the Mountain”*. Egyptian tourist authorities would like the world to believe that Mount Sinai is in Egypt solely for the tourist business it produces for the country, but there is now new convincing evidence confirming that the real route of the Exodus and the crossing of the Red Sea is located elsewhere. Furthermore, there is no archaeological evidence in the area presently claimed in southern Egypt to be the so-called Mount Sinai on the Sinai Peninsula. The real Mount Sinai is in northwest Saudi Arabia at Jebel Lawz. This fact is also validated by the fact that the Apostle Paul spent three years in the Saudi Arabian desert to learn from the Lord, noted at Galatians 1:17-18.

The Caldwell’s video depicts a burial site where 3,000 are buried and stones laid out in the form of a cattle pen with a chute to slaughter animals for food. They found signs of human sandal prints carved into the stones, as a reference to the fact that wherever they walked God would be given all the land they covered –(Deuteronomy 11:24). At one point they found a huge 65-foot tall Split Rock that revealed where water had gushed forth which provided them water in the desert on their journey to the Promised Land. The huge 65-foot tall Split Rock is split in two and shows erosion at the base from rushing waters.

The consistent purpose of every true prophet in the Bible was:

- To warn that judgment is inevitable
- To call sinners to repentance
- To offer salvation to those who would respond
- To reaffirm God’s plan to restore the faithful

This prophetic message is borne out in God’s dealings with man and the historic evidence is recorded in the pages of the Bible. From Noah’s flood to Jonah’s mission to preach to Nineveh, from the destruction of Jerusalem to the Babylonian exile: all confirm that God’s judgment is inevitable, BUT there is also strong evidence that He saves those who put their trust in Him.

The “Passover” or the *“Pesach”* story is another lesson in *“Deliverance before Judgment”*. It is the deliverance element that is dutifully celebrated in the annual Seder meal. Jews rarely think of the Passover remembered from the perspective of God’s impending judgment. It took an expectation of judgment for the Israelites to comply with the Passover instructions. After the outpouring of the first nine plagues, the Israelites became fully persuaded that the death of the firstborn was no empty threat. ***“For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.”*** –(Exodus 12:12).

The significance of the Passover lamb is that it reveals God’s mercy. The Israelite families were not any less deserving of death (for the consequences of sin are death, and all have sinned and fallen short of God’s glory –(Romans 3:23; 6:23). Were it not for God’s mercy, Moses would himself have lost his firstborn son. God’s “mercy” prevailed,

even when we learn in Exodus 4:24 that God sought to kill Moses for failure to observe the covenant of circumcision -(Genesis 17:14). The Bible demonstrates God's uncompromising justice, from which no one is exempt. Note:

- When we return to God in a way of duty, submission and repentance he will return to us in a way of mercy; take away the cause, and the effect will cease.
- We must **resolve to bear up patiently**, if our zeal for God and his institutions be misinterpreted and discouraged by some such as close family or friends who might understand themselves, and us, and their duty, to be better.
- When we have any special service to do for God we should remove that which is likely to be our hindrance as far from us as we can. Let the dead bury their dead, **but follow thou me.**^(a) -(Luke 9:60)

The slaughtering of the lamb showed quite graphically that the Israelite families would not escape the judgment of death, but **in their case the death would be required through a substitute.** Those who fail to appreciate God's mercy or His desire to bring **"Deliverance before Judgment"** do not fully appreciate the New Testament message of the Cross.

The Passover lamb served as a ransom for the firstborn of Israel. This was the price by which the nation was redeemed. In this way, **God purchased Israel for Himself.** Consequently, the firstborn of every Israelite – both their firstborn son and the first of their livestock belonged to the LORD. It would be redeemed or killed -(Exodus 13:2, 13) and the observance was to be a continuing ordinance in Israel to serve as a reminder to every generation that they were indebted to God for their life and their posterity.

The Apostle Paul reminds the Corinthians in 1st Corinthians 6:19-20: ***"You are not your own: you were bought at a price."*** On several occasions Paul refers to the sexual perversion that was prevalent in the new church in Corinth, initially made up of Jewish believers emphasizing that theirs was a holy and dignified calling. Had they forgotten that their bodies were a temple of the Holy Spirit? That is the solemn truth of Scripture, that every believer is indwelt by the Spirit of God. How could we ever think of taking a body in which the Holy Spirit dwells and use it for vile purposes? Not only is our body the shrine of the Holy Spirit, but in addition, we are not our own. It is not for us to take our bodies and use them the way we desire. In the final analysis, they do not belong to us; they belong to the Lord.^(d) Paul's central point was that they were redeemed by the same God who reclaimed the Israelites through the Passover at the time of the Exodus. The Apostle Paul is the apostle who explained the transition from the laws that were 'shadows' in the Old Testament Law -(Hebrews 10:1) and shows how their expanding fulfillment leads to Christ and is taught in the dispensation of Grace, which is central to the Age of the Church.

The point is that the miracle of the Passover was experienced by a people who understood that deliverance meant freedom from judgment. The Israelites who later relied on deliverance based on the criterion of their ethnic identity as descendants

of Abraham were caught off guard when God's judgment came upon their own people.

The Word of God contained in the prophetic writings is **not intended to give the clearest and most unambiguous indication of future events**, BUT it is intended for salvation to those who accept God's righteous judgment and at the same time becomes a trap or snare of damnation for those who don't. This concept can be understood when we grasp the message in the "carrot and stick" method of teaching. Because God is righteous and just, He cannot condone or wink at sin. But a plan for redemption was created to ransom humanity. The matter of sin is so serious in God's economy that God created an avenue whereby His absolute justice could be satisfied thereby covering for man's sin.

Paul reminds us in the New Testament, ***"It is by grace we have been saved"*** – (Ephesians 2:8). We must however, remember that grace has a price! If taken lightly, a consequence could result instead: ***"many will say to me in that day, Lord! Lord!... And then I will say to them I never knew you!"*** –(Matthew 7:22-23). On judgment day only a person's relationship with Christ - acceptance of him as Savior and obedience to him - will matter. That day will be the final day of reckoning when God will settle all accounts, judging sin and rewarding faith. Notice that Jesus placed Himself as judge – ***"many will say to me"***.

Jesus exposed those people who sounded religious and did religious deeds but had no personal relationship with him. False prophets will be able to prophesy (referring not just to telling the future, but to teaching), cast out demons, and perform miracles. Claims to great power, invoking the name of Christ, and powerful deeds will be no guarantee for heaven. Jesus will send those away **who do not know him personally**. They may have done impressive deeds, but Jesus will say, ***"I never knew you. Go away."*** In other words, "I never had a personal relationship with you, and I never went with you to do these deeds you claim. You can have no part in my Kingdom." ^(b)

The Old Testament prophet Ezekiel deliberately uses the Passover idiom to prophesy God's judgment over Jerusalem: ***"And God called to the man clothed in linen, with the writers' inkhorn by his side. And the LORD said to him, Pass through the midst of the city. Pass through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark on the foreheads of the men who are groaning and are mourning because of all the abominations that are done in her midst. And He said to those in my hearing. Cross over the city after him, and strike. Let not your eye spare, nor have pity. Destroy old men, young men and virgins, and little children and women. But do not come near any man on whom is the mark. And begin at My sanctuary"*** - (Ezekiel 9:3-6). The action of the scribe conjures up several parallels. The mark is the Hebrew letter ***taw***, the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, which was used as a signature in some periods of Israelite history -(Job 31:35). In the script used during Old Testament times it was either an X shape or a + shape. It may represent God's ownership of the remnant of the people who deserved to survive the coming destruction. Certainly, marking those who will survive God's wrath is comparable to the blood on the doorpost

during the Exodus event -(Exodus 12:11). The same mark used in Ezekiel was early on associated with the blood mark on the doorposts at Passover. ^(c)

“For the time has come for judgment to begin with the house of God. And if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who refuse to obey the gospel of God? And if it is hard for the righteous person to be saved, what will happen to the ungodly and the sinner.” -(1st Peter 4:17-18). This time for judgment refers both to final judgment and also to God’s refining discipline -(Hebrews 12:7). Peter warned that God judges all people according to their deeds -(1st Peter 1:17). He also disciplines and judges His own children in order to refine them (1st Peter 1:6-7). This judgment purifies and strengthens believers, readying them for God’s Kingdom. But for those who have never believed God’s Good News, the judgment will be a terrible fate. Reinforcing his rhetorical question, Peter continued by quoting from Proverbs 11:31. If the righteous (believers) experience difficulty in their refining process, how much more horrible will be the great disaster experienced for eternity by the godless and sinners who chose to reject Christ.

The phrase ‘barely saved’ means “with difficulty.” Peter was not introducing uncertainty to the believers’ salvation. Instead, he was talking about the difficult road believers must travel. It is not easy to be a Christian; we must count the cost. ^(b)

Many people were blind to Ezekiel’s warning. It may prove true for some today that an unwillingness to humble oneself before the sovereignty of God can lead to an undesirable and inescapable outcome for those who have been forewarned: ***“Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fail”*** -(Proverbs 16:18). This is just one of similar admonitions found in the Proverbs.

Those Israelites who thought that judgment was an empty threat, and who relied solely on being God’s chosen people to guarantee their deliverance or those who were righteous by their own estimation – all fell into a trap and a snare which ultimately led to famine, disease, and the sword of Babylon. I use this term as a term for what the Jews faced once taken into captivity in Babylon for “seventy” years. Their future failure to observe the Sabbatical rest was what caused them to be led into captivity -(Daniel 9:24-27).

Similarly, the Messiah can also be understood and viewed in the same manner. It is through His sacrifice and the shedding of His blood on the Cross that results in the saving grace and freedom from God’s pending final judgment. This must be made perfectly clear so that no one is confused by the contrast between grace and judgment just as the Israelites assumed by thinking that being God’s chosen automatically afforded them with a free ticket relieving them from the risk of judgment. God knows the “heart” and so the genuineness of the “born-again” believer and can clearly identify righteousness from that of the insincere carnal soul that pretends to be something they are not -(Jeremiah 17:10). To those who may feel that this is too harsh an indictment of their heart, we quote an extended but needed exposé by Matthew Henry:

There is that wickedness in our hearts which we ourselves are not aware of and do not suspect to be there; nay, it is a common mistake among the children of men to think themselves, their own hearts at least, a great deal better than they really are. The heart, the conscience of man, in his corrupt and fallen state, is deceitful above all things. It is subtle and false; it is apt to supplant (so the word properly signifies); it is that from which Jacob had his name, a supplanter. It calls evil good and good evil, puts false colors upon things, and cries peace for those to whom peace does not belong. When men whisper to them in their hearts that there is no God, or he does not see, or he will not require, or they shall have peace though they go on; in these, and a thousand similar suggestions, the heart is deceitful. It cheats men into their own ruin; and this will be the aggravation of it, that they are self-deceivers, self-destroyers. Herein the heart is desperately wicked; it is deadly, it is desperate. The case is bad indeed, and in a manner deplorable and past relief, if the conscience which should rectify the errors of the other faculties is itself a mother of falsehood and a ringleader in the delusion. What will become of a man if that in him which should be the candle of the Lord give a false light, if God's deputy in the soul, that is entrusted to support his interests, betrays them? Such is the deceitfulness of the heart that we may truly say: Who can know it? Who can describe how bad the heart is. ^(d)

The point of this series is to show that God will bring "Deliverance before Judgment" for those who have **sincerely surrendered to Jesus Christ** and His Gospel of Grace. God's desire is that all would be saved and come to Christ Jesus for what only He can do. **His is the relationship that no one else can offer!**

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Notes:

1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MShdUvcLcLE> = PITN – with Dr. Lennert Moller Part 1
2. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6fXrqzw2cw> = PITN – with Dr. Lennert Moller Part 2
3. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wBwom44hb0> = PITN – with Dr. Lennert Moller Part 3
4. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vj1lj_3pazk = PITN – with Dr. Lennert Moller Part 4

Commentaries:

- a. Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Whole Bible
- b. Life Application New Testament Commentary
- c. IVP Bible Background Commentary
- d. Believer's Bible Commentary


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