

“And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh” - Luke 21:28

JERUSALEM A CUP OF TREMBLING

Jihad in Jerusalem

January 15, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: “Palestinian Authority (PA) Minister of Religious Affairs Mahmoud Al-Habash claimed Monday that Jihad fighters should not flock to Syria, but to Jerusalem - and PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas applauded, according to *Palestinian Media Watch* (PMW).

‘Whoever wants resistance, whoever wants Jihad, the direction for Jihad is well-known and clear,’ Al-Habash claimed to a crowd at a PA-sponsored event. ‘Those who send young people to Syria or elsewhere to die for a misdirected cause must stop and understand that Jerusalem is still waiting. Jerusalem is the direction, Jerusalem is the address.’

‘There is a message we must convey to those who kidnapped the Yarmouk [Palestinian] refugee camp [in Syria] with baseless false slogans, pretexts, and excuses,’ he continued. ‘We say to them: ‘The [place for] resistance and Jihad is not the Yarmouk refugee camp. Whoever wants resistance, whoever wants Jihad, the direction for Jihad is well-known and clear. Everyone knows it. I don’t think that there is anyone who doesn’t know where Jihad is supposed to take place.’

‘I don’t think that there is anyone who doesn’t know to where we should direct efforts or where to concentrate the masses. I don’t think there is anyone who doesn’t know this. Those who send young people to Syria or elsewhere to die for a misdirected cause must stop and understand that Jerusalem is still waiting. Jerusalem is the direction, Jerusalem is the address.’...” **(This utterance against Jerusalem is the prophecy that leads the world into the greatest war ever, Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Jerusalem becomes a cup of trembling and a burdensome stone globally – Zechariah 12:2, 3. This troublesome Jewish capital witnesses all nations coming against the Holy City – Zechariah 14:2. At this point, verse 4 Christ returns, puts down the world’s enemies – Zechariah 14:4-9 and then rules the world from Jerusalem as He sits on David’s [Israel’s] throne forever.)**

Hamas: Israel has eight years left

January 13, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: “Israel will be gone in eight years, according to one Hamas official.

Fathi Hamad, Hamas’s Interior Minister, claimed in a speech honoring

the anniversary of Operation Cast Lead that ‘Palestine’ would replace the Jewish State by 2022.

Hamad noted in his speech that the Palestinian Arabs, according to Islamic prophecies, will enter the Al Aqsa Mosque ‘in jubilation and victory like they entered it the first time’. He said that Israel has failed in previous wars waged against the Palestinians, while the Palestinians are progressing nationally towards the stage where they are capable of conquering Jerusalem.

After the ‘liberation’ of Al-Aqsa Mosque, said Hamad, the ‘Hittin’ system will prevail. That statement refers to the means by which Saladin conquered the Land of Israel against the Crusaders, in particular during the Battle of Hittin/Hattin; namely, by slaughtering or enslaving the non-Muslim forces arrayed against him.

‘We’ll destroy the enemy,’ Hamad assured his audience, noting that achieving that goal would take ‘eight years.’ Hamad also claimed that the Palestinians are at the stage of readiness for ‘jihad and martyrdom in the way of Allah’...” **(This report is nonsense according to God’s Holy Word. Isaiah 56:5 states: “I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name...” Also, Christ returns, sits upon David’s**

Throne in Jerusalem and reigns over the world from Israel – Luke 1:32, 33. It's Hamas who won't be around as Christ rules the world as the "King of kings, and Lord of lords" – Revelation 19:16. See the next two reports.)

Hamas minister: first Israel, then the world

December 25, 2013 – *Israel National News* reports: "The ultimate goal of the Hamas movement is to establish Islam worldwide, Hamas minister Fathi Hammad declared during a recent public address in Gaza.

'We shall liberate our land, Allah willing. We shall liberate our Al-Aqsa Mosque, and our cities and villages, as a prelude to the establishment of the future Islamic Caliphate. Therefore, brothers and sisters, we are at the threshold of a global Islamic civilization era,' Hammad proclaimed.

'The fuel and spearhead of this era will be Gaza, and its mujahideen and leaders will be from Gaza, Allah willing,' he added.

Hammad's speech was translated by the *Middle East Media Research Institute* (MEMRI).

He then appealed to Fatah, which heads the Palestinian Authority in Judea and Samaria, to stop negotiating with Israel.

'We just sit and talk to the Jews. Enough with that! Come join us, the legions of the believers, which have translated the Koran into victory, the law of the Prophet's ancestors into glory, and Jihad into liberation,' he urged.

'We shall be coming with a third Intifada, an armed revolution, a Jihadi revolution, Allah willing,' Hammad continued, adding that 'Gaza and the West Bank will fuse together, along with our brothers within the 1948 borders, in a second Battle of Hattin, in order to uproot the Jews,' referencing the defeat of Christian Crusader forces by Saladin's Muslim army in 1187..."

Hezbollah commander says none of Israel's borders are safe

January 2, 2014 – *The Jerusalem Post* reports: "While Hezbollah remains entangled in the Syrian conflict, one of its top field commanders is warning in an interview with the British newspaper *Guardian* on Thursday that it would behoove Israel to remain on alert.

'None of their borders are safe now and this is not a good thing for them,' the commander said. 'They cannot be happy with the momentum anywhere in the region, especially Syria. Egypt is perhaps the only border that gives them comfort. The rest are outside of their control.'

In the interview with *The Guardian*, the Hezbollah commander vowed that its allies would emerge victorious and that Bashar Assad's government, which has received support from the Lebanon-based Shi'ite militia and their main patron, Iran, would remain in control in Damascus.

'This is a war not just against us, but against humanity,' he said. 'And it is one that we will win...'

Iranian MP: We need nuclear bomb 'to put Israel in its place'

January 8, 2014 – *The Jerusalem Post* reports: "Iranian parliament representative Muhammad Nabavian said that Iran needs a nuclear bomb because of Israel.

'We don't aspire to obtain a nuclear bomb, but it is necessary so we can put Israel in its place,' Nabavian said in a speech given on Friday and quoted by *MEMRI* (the Middle East Media Research Institute).

The Iranian *Tasnim News Agency* website, which first quoted Nabavian, later removed the comment about Iran needing a nuclear bomb, according to the *MEMRI* report..." **(Iran has met with the 6 nations to pledge they will only use their nuclear power for peaceful purposes. It's a pledge until June 2014. This report proves their honesty and trustworthiness is unreliable. God bless Israel and America. If they**

create the bomb, all hell will break loose – Ezekiel 38:1-5. Persia changed its name to Iran in 1935.)

Netanyahu opposes framework dividing Jerusalem

January 10, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: "Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu announced to senior officials in his government that he won't agree to any division of Jerusalem in framework agreements. Sources previously revealed that U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry's proposals would divide the capital under international management.

Netanyahu has claimed he won't sign any document which in any way allows the establishment of a Palestinian Authority (PA) capital in Jerusalem, no matter the price to peace talks, according to Haaretz reports Friday morning.

On Thursday, sources in Jewish Home reported that Chairman Naftali Bennett was ready to quit the coalition if a framework of Israeli withdrawals was adopted.

Kerry's interim plans reportedly would have Jerusalem follow the model of the Vatican, whereby the Old City and the Temple Mount would be a sort of autonomous region under joint international management, including Israeli and PA representatives.

Reports by a senior PA official on Monday further clarified that Kerry's plan would divide part of Jerusalem to the PA, while Jordan would have jurisdiction on holy sites in the Jewish capital..." **(God's Word teaches 120 times that Jerusalem belongs to the Jews. Away with Islamic boasting and Protestant apostasy called 'Replacement Theology' that states 2,604 times that the term Israel mentioned in Holy Scripture should be changed to 'church' and Jerusalem 613 times to 'heaven'. What nonsense and blasphemy. Stick to your convictions Netanyahu – Psalm 122:6. See the next report.)**

'Arab states will never recognize a Jewish state'

January 14, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: "Arab states 'will never

recognize Israel', the Palestinian Authority's (PA) foreign minister stated on Monday, according to *NRG/Maariv*.

Riyad al-Malki was speaking to Radio Palestine after participating in a weekend meeting in Paris between U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and foreign ministers of the Arab League.

In the interview, al-Malki said that at the meeting Kerry, who is mediating the

talks between Israel and PA, presented some issues raised by both sides. One of these issues, according to al-Malki, is the need for Arab support for the 'Jewish character' of Israel. Kerry told the ministers that this issue remains one of the main points over which there is a disagreement.

In response, said al-Malki, the Arab foreign ministers expressed their full

support for all the PA's demands, especially regarding non-recognition of Israel as Jewish state.

'The Arab states will never recognize a Jewish state,' he stressed, according to *NRG/Maariv*.

He further noted that there is still no progress in the ongoing peace talks and that large gaps remain between the parties..."

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Number of Christians killed for their faith doubled in 2013

January 8, 2014 – *The Globe and Mail* reports: "Reported cases of Christians killed for their faith around the world doubled in 2013 from the year before, with Syria accounting for more than the whole global total in 2012, according to an annual survey.

Open Doors, a non-denominational group supporting persecuted Christians worldwide, said on Wednesday it had documented 2,123 'martyr' killings, compared with 1,201 in 2012. There were 1,213 such deaths in Syria alone last year, it said.

'This is a very minimal count based on what has been reported in the media and we can confirm,' said Frans Veerman, head of research for Open Doors. Estimates by other Christian groups put the annual figure as high as 8,000..." **(The Lord Jesus, our Christ and Israel's Messiah taught that great persecution would come to both Jews and Christians in our day – the final generation – Matthew 24:9; John 16:12; Matthew 5:10 – 12; and John 15:18 – 20 – then it becomes drastically dangerous and deadly during the 7 year Tribulation period– Revelation 6:9 and 20:4. Please take time to look up these texts and see the next five reports.)**

37 Muslim nations persecuting Christians

January 12, 2014 – *WND.com* reports: "The number of Christian martyrs was

twice as high in 2013 as the year before, and radical Islamist governments and groups are responsible for the vast majority of deaths and persecution around the world, according to the 2014 World Watch List.

As *WND* reported, Open Doors USA, which assists the persecuted church around the world, compiled the World Watch list and reports 2,123 Christians were killed for their faith last year, compared to 1,201 in 2012. In fact, the killings in Syria alone (1,213) trumped the total from a year earlier.

'The target of violence is mainly taking place mainly from rebel groups who are Islamic extremists, so these are jihadists practicing extreme Islam and are targeting Christian areas,' said Emily Fuentes, communications director at Open Doors USA. 'Many of these Christians have had to flee, and these towns have essentially become ghost towns because they've cleared Christians out. In October of last year, there was a massacre in one of these towns where more than 45 people died and hundreds were injured just because it was a Christian-dominated town.

'Syria is experiencing a whole new level of persecution and violence of Christians,' said Fuentes, noting that Syria is now the third worst persecutor of Christians, skyrocketing from the 36th spot it held just two years ago.

While Syria is the most deadly spot on earth for Christians, Fuentes said it fits a pattern in the Islamic world. She noted,

of the 50 worst nations for persecution, 37 of them are Muslim. Fuentes said another disturbing twist is the melding of radical Islam with communist and other totalitarian ideologies..."

Top 50 list of Christian persecutors

January 9, 2014 – *WND.com* reports: "The isolationist regime of North Korea once again tops the Open Doors USA list of the world's worst persecutors of Christians.

Open Doors USA released its list Wednesday of the world's 50 worst violators, weighing factors such as the jailing of Christians, executions and legal restrictions on religious freedom.

The Christian group this year added the category of whether or not a nation was a 'failed' state.

Operations Director Jerry Dykstra says a failed state is 'a weak state where social and political structures have collapsed to the point where government has little or no control.'

Rounding out the top 12 are Somalia, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Maldives, Pakistan, Iran, Yemen, Sudan and Eritrea.

Open Doors Communications Director Emily Fuentes says North Korea is like no other country in the world.

'North Korea remains the most difficult country in the world to be a Christian because it's an act that is punishable there by death or life in prison,' Fuentes said..."

Nun: slain Christians' blood drained and sold

January 2, 2014 – *WND.com* reports: “Atrocities by Syrian jihadist rebels have reached sensational new levels, according to a revered nun working with persecuted Christians and an explosive new video report.

Sister Hatune Dogan told *WND* in a Skype interview that members of the Syrian opposition are draining the blood of Christians they behead and selling vials to Islamic radicals for \$100,000 a piece.

The Syrian Orthodox nun explained that the blood is used in a ritual washing of hands in the belief the act atones for sins and provides privileged access to heaven.

The Christians, she said, are beheaded in ceremonies in which they are forced to kneel, with their hands and feet bound, as the Muslim radicals read a death sentence imposed because the victim refuses to renounce Christianity and embrace Islam...”

Christians persecuted by Islamists, says Prince Charles

December 18, 2013 – *BBC News* reports: “Christians in parts of the Middle East are being deliberately targeted by Islamist militants in a campaign of persecution, Prince Charles has said.

The Prince of Wales made his comments after visiting the British branches of churches based in the region.

The prince heard accounts of Christians being murdered and families forced from their homes.

The upheavals of the Arab Spring have left many religious minorities vulnerable to accusation and attack.

Charles, accompanied by Prince Ghazi of Jordan, visited the Egyptian Coptic Church centre in Stevenage and the Syriac Orthodox cathedral in west London.

The two royals met church members who had either suffered intimidation or family members whose safety they feared for.

Later at a reception at Clarence

House, attended by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Archbishop of Westminster and the Chief Rabbi, Prince Charles said he felt deeply troubled by the plight of Christians.

‘For 20 years I have tried to build bridges between Islam and Christianity to dispel ignorance and misunderstanding,’ he told the audience.

‘The point though, surely, is that we have now reached a crisis where bridges are rapidly being deliberately destroyed by those with a vested interest in doing so.

‘This is achieved through intimidation, false accusation and organised persecution including to the Christian communities in the Middle East at the present time.’...”

Islamic jihad against Christians

December 30, 2013 – *WND.com* reports: “With their typical mutual respect, devout Muslims have been celebrating Christmas the world over. Jihad bombers murdered 34 people as Christians were coming out of church on Christmas morning in Baghdad, and Muslims threatened and protested against Christmas celebrations all over the world. Two days after Christmas, Lebanon’s former ambassador to the U.S. and at least four other people were murdered in a car bombing in Beirut. That same day, jihadists killed 10 people with a bomb in a restaurant in Mogadishu and three soldiers with a homicide car bombing in Kabul.

Of course, we all know that it’s Islamophobia that’s the real problem – although I suspect that the victims might not agree. And meanwhile, on Christmas Muslims showed the respect and tolerance they demand from everyone else at a time when Christians are being mercilessly persecuted and slaughtered under Muslim rule across the world.

In Denmark, Muslims screaming ‘Allahu akbar’ held a demonstration on Christmas Eve...”

Malaysia’s Islamic authorities seize Bibles as Allah row deepens

January 3, 2014 – *Reuters* reports: “Islamic authorities in Malaysia on Thursday seized 321 Bibles from a Christian group because they used the word Allah to refer to God, signaling growing intolerance that may inflame ethnic and religious tension in the Southeast Asian country.

The raid comes after a Malaysian court in October ruled that the Arabic word was exclusive to Muslims, most of whom are ethnic Malays, the largest ethnic group in the country alongside sizeable Christian, Hindu and Buddhist minorities.

That ruling overturned a court decision that allowed a Roman Catholic newspaper printed in Malay, the country’s national language, to use Allah.

The change has heightened concern that religious authorities, which issue rulings for Muslims and operate alongside civil courts, now have more legal muscle.

Analysts say new rulings that affect non-Muslims could be a way of deflecting anger against Prime Minister Najib Razak’s government from poor Malay Muslims over subsidy cuts likely to force up electricity, petrol and sugar prices.

On Thursday, the top Islamic authority in the richest and most populous state of Selangor seized the Malay-language Bibles from the Bible Society. The society said authority officials escorted two of its officials to a police station to make statements after which they were released on bail.

‘We were told that we were under investigation for breaking a Selangor state law banning non-Muslims from using the word Allah,’ said Bible Society of Malaysia Chairman Lee Min Choon...” **(Apostate Christianity wants to compromise renaming our God Allah. Now the Muslims of Malaysia state: “We reject Christians using and defiling the name of our god. Wake up my Catholic and Protestant brothers Dr. Rick Warren and Dr. Schuler!)**

THE RELIGION OF PEACE?

Radical cleric: it's ok to blow yourself up 'for Allah'

December 20, 2013 – *Israel National News* reports: “Blowing oneself up for the sake of Allah is acceptable,” according to a radical Muslim cleric who recently spoke to a Lebanese television network.

The comments by Syrian-born Islamist cleric Omar Bakri were made in an interview which aired on the Lebanese *Al-Jadid/New TV* on November 26. They were translated by the *Middle East Media Research Institute* (MEMRI).

In the interview, Bakri was justifying the recent bombings of Hezbollah targets in Lebanon and the Iranian embassy in Beirut.

‘When a [martyrdom-seeker] wishes to please Allah, the pinnacle of what he can do is to die for His sake, in a justified battle or confrontation with the enemies of Allah – in order to elevate the word of Allah – and attains either victory for the religion of Allah or martyrdom,’ he explained.

‘Who is a martyr is known to Allah alone. When somebody dies on the battlefield, we say that we consider him a martyr but that he will be judged by Allah, because the Prophet Mohammed forbade us from declaring anyone a

martyr ourselves,’ said Bakri.

He stressed, ‘Blowing oneself up as part of fighting for the sake of Allah is considered to be in keeping with Islamic law, within certain constraints. The proof is that if someone blew himself up in an Israeli embassy, he would be praised by all. This is evident in history. Many groups – even non-Muslim groups – praise those who die for their ideology.’

Bakri went on to say that ‘blowing oneself up for the sake of Allah is acceptable, so long as the target is legitimate,’ meaning that even Muslims are legitimate targets of suicide bombings...” **(This headline is sad. Muslims are taught that the only ones who can be certain of eternal life are those who follow the above instructions. They not only are rewarded with 72 virgins for all eternity but also are rewarded with choosing 70 relatives or friends to enjoy heaven with them.)**

Iraq changes prayer direction: Karbala, not Mecca

December 27, 2013 – *Israel National News* reports: “Iraq’s rising violence and concerns of an all-out sectarian war appears set to flare up even further, as Prime Minister Nuri Al-Maliki recently ordered Muslim prayers to be directed to the Shi’ite holy city Karbala, instead

of Mecca.

Karbala is where Imam Al-Hussein, a Shi’ite ‘martyr’ who refused to surrender the Islamic Caliphate to Sunni leaders, was killed in 680 CE. The city houses his mausoleum, and Al-Maliki’s statements came at a memorial to Hussein, who was also Muslim prophet Mohammed’s grandson.

‘We need to develop the city of Karbala, and it needs to be the place the Muslim world prays to because there lies Hussein,’ declared Al-Maliki, emphasizing that Muslims need to pray 5 times a day facing the city.

In making the announcement Al-Maliki, himself a Shi’ite Muslim, poured oil on the blazing sectarian violence between Shi’ite and Sunni Muslims currently engulfing his country and the Muslim world. Karbala itself has been the target of Sunni terrorism, as a Shi’ite pilgrimage holiday was bombed in November.

Saudi religious authorities called Al-Maliki’s words religious extremism deepening the centuries old sectarian Muslim divide...” **(If the above event occurs this Shia and Sunni change to Karbala from Mecca will bring Islamic bloodshed that will make the Syrian death toll of 120,000 pale by comparison.)**

CREEPING SHARIA

Libya’s lurch toward Sharia sends chill through Christian community

January 7, 2014 – *FoxNews.com* reports: “Libya’s recent edict that its coming constitution will be based on Sharia law has sent a chill through the North African nation’s small Christian community.

Libya’s Coptic Christians, who

number about 300,000, or 5 percent of the population, were allowed to practice their faith under dictator Muammar Qaddafi. But since the strongman was ousted from power, and ultimately killed, Muslim fundamentalists have increasingly filled the power void. Last month, the national assembly voted in favor of making Koranic law, or Sharia, the basis of all legislative decisions, meaning Islam will shape all future

banking, criminal and financial cases.

‘Islamic law is the source of legislation in Libya,’ stated the General National Congress in a statement released shortly after the vote was held. ‘All state institutions need to comply with this.’...” **(10 reasons why Sharia is bad for all societies: 1. Islam commands offensive, aggressive and unjust jihad which is a holy war. 2. Islam orders apostates to be killed. 3. Islam orders**

death for Muslims and death for non-Muslim critics of Mohammed and the Quran, and even Sharia itself. 4. Islam orders unmarried fornicators to be whipped, put to death, and adulterers to be stoned. 5. Islam commands all homosexuals to be executed. 6. Islam commands that highway robbers should be crucified or mutilated. 7. Islam commands that a male and female thief must have a hand cut off. 8. Islam allows an injured plaintiff to exact legal revenge, physical eye for physical eye. 9. Islam allows husbands to beat their wives. 10. Islam commands that drinkers and gamblers be beaten. Sharia law ultimately degrades societies and diminishes freedom. See the next three articles.)

Al-Qaeda opens Syrian jihad school

December 31, 2013 – *Israel National News* reports: “Jabhat Al Nusra, an Islamist group affiliated with Al-Qaeda, maintains an infrastructure of governance as one of the central opposition forces. Aside from managing religious courts based on Islamic Sharia law, the group has opened new schooling programs emphasizing Islam and jihad.

In the southern Syrian town of Daraa, a school established by the organization

teaches roughly 30 students ranging in age from 10 to 15 to believe in Allah, follow Islam, and aspire to jihad holy war.

Video footage from the school shows students learning by rote passages from the Koran, reading ‘our path is the path of jihad.’

The use of child soldiers by rebel forces, including the more ‘moderate’ Free Syrian Army (FSA), has been documented, and shows how the lessons learned in the school may quickly be turned into action.

On the walls of the classroom hang posters featuring verses from the Koran, including one praising jihadist ‘martyrs,’ explaining that they aren’t ‘dead’ but rather ‘living’ with Allah...”

Al-Qaeda faction committing appalling atrocities in Syria to enforce Islamic law

December 19, 2013 – *The National Post* reports: “An Al-Qaeda faction in Syria is committing appalling atrocities in areas under its control, Amnesty International said in a report Wednesday that urged the group to end its ‘reign of abuse.’

Amnesty called on Turkey and the Gulf States to cut off the supply of arms and money to the hardline group, the Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS),

which holds key parts of northern Syria.

As it has captured territory, the ISIS has brutally imposed its militant version of Islamic law on Syrians — abducting, torturing and killing locals for everything from drinking alcohol to opposing Islamist rule...

Former ISIS detainees told Amnesty they had witnessed ‘a shocking catalogue of abuses’ including the flogging of children, electric shock torture, public executions and phony trials conducted by Sharia judges appointed by the faction...”

Syria: 25 lashes for failing to pray

January 5, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: “Syria is undergoing an accelerated process of Islamization, which is led by extremist Islamist rebel groups that follow Sharia courts, and who operate a morality police force that enforces law and order Islam-style.

In Haleb, two men were convicted of failing to take part in the Friday prayers, and were sentenced to 25 lashes each, to be delivered publicly.

The two convicted men were brought to the city square, where they were flogged on their bare backs. The crowd that had gathered watched the scene quietly...”

NEWS FROM IRAN

Supreme leader: if Jesus were here he would fight America

December 27, 2013 – *CSNNews.com* reports: “Iran’s supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei marked Christmas Day with social media messages tying Jesus into political rhetoric directed at the United States.

‘If Christ were among us today, he would not spare even a single moment to fight the leaders of despotism and global arrogance,’ he said on Facebook, using the Islamic Republic’s favored term for America.

‘Nor would he tolerate hunger and

wandering of millions of people, degenerated by the hegemonic and colonialist powers into war, corruption, and violence,’ he added...” (The prophet Jesus of Islam who, according to Imam Kabbani, who heads up America’s Muslims and for whom Rick Warren spoke at two Muslim conventions undoubtedly agrees because their prophet Jesus called Isa is an imposter and not the Jesus of the Holy Bible. Christ states in John 5:43: “I am come in my Father’s name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive”.)

Khamenei says U.S. is greatest violator of human rights

January 13, 2014 – *Israel National News* reports: “The Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI) has translated and posted to the internet a video of Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei’s speech from last week, during which he referred to the United States as ‘Satan.’

During the speech, Khamenei claims that the United States is ‘the greatest violator of human rights in the world’ and the crowd responds by chanting, ‘Death to America!’

‘Nobody should be under the illusion that those who stood up with all their might against the Islamic Revolution have given up [their enmity] today. No, they are still standing up against it. Any enemy backs down when forced to. If you force them to back down – they will. Nevertheless, they will not back down from their enmity towards us,’ he said.

‘This is the case in the world today. We should identify the enemy. The smiles of the enemy must not be taken seriously. We must not get too excited by these smiles. We must not forget the goal,’ declared Khamenei.

‘Today, they think that due to the pressure from the sanctions and economic siege, our nation has raised its hands in surrender. This is a mistake. Indeed, it is. This is a nation that never raises its hands in surrender,’ he added...” (More disproved nonsense.)

Rouhani boasts of West’s ‘surrender’ to Iran in nuclear talks

January 14, 2014 – *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Iranian President Hassan Rouhani took to social media on Tuesday to boast that the interim nuclear agreement reached between Tehran and

the P5+1 nations was the result of the ‘world powers surrender[ing] to the Iranian nation’s will.’

The U.N. nuclear watchdog said on Tuesday a planned meeting with Iran next week to discuss steps meant to ease concerns over its nuclear program has been pushed back to Feb. 8 at Tehran’s request...

The International Atomic Energy Agency did not say why Tehran asked for a delay. But the original date, Jan. 21, is just a day after Iran and big powers are to start implementing an interim deal on curbing Iranian nuclear activity, suggesting a busy agenda in coming days may have led to the postponement.

The IAEA has been tasked with checking that Iran carries out its end of the six-month preliminary accord, so the U.N. agency is also facing an extra workload...” (President Rouhani served under two Islamic terrorists. First and foremost, Imam Khomeini who returned from exile in France to Iran and promoted the idea of overtaking the world. Presently Rouhani serves under Imam Khamenei who stated: ‘It matters not how many Iranians die by nuclear warfare as long as Islam rules the entire world.’ See the next report.)

Army commander: enemy unable to confront Iran militarily

January 14, 2014 – *The Fars News Agency* reports: “Iranian Army Commander Major General Ataollah Salehi downplayed the U.S. officials’ war rhetoric against Tehran, and said the enemies are not able to confront Iran militarily.

‘Had the enemy been able to confront us militarily, it would have already taken action,’ Salehi said in Tehran on Tuesday.

He referred to the current political and nuclear talks between Iran and the world powers, including the U.S., and said, ‘Given their weakness in the military dimension, they have opted for the political arena and we will certainly succeed in this area too.’

Salehi voiced confidence that the power and might of the Iranian Armed Forces will influence the talks between Tehran and the world powers.

In relevant remarks in December, Commander of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Quds Force General Qassem Soleimani downplayed Washington’s war rhetoric against Tehran, and underlined that the U.S. has collapsed in all the three arenas of economy, politics and military...”

KNOWLEDGE INCREASED

Brainlike computers, learning from experience

December 29, 2013 – *The New York Times* reports: “Computers have entered the age when they are able to learn from their own mistakes, a development that is about to turn the digital world on its head...”

The new computing approach, already in use by some large technology companies, is based on the biological nervous system, specifically on how neurons react to stimuli and connect with other neurons to interpret information. It allows computers to absorb new information while carrying out a task,

and adjust what they do based on the changing signals.

In coming years, the approach will make possible a new generation of artificial intelligence systems that will perform some functions that humans do with ease: see, speak, listen, navigate, manipulate and control. That can hold enormous consequences for tasks like facial and speech recognition, navigation and planning, which are still in elementary stages and rely heavily on human programming...” (The prediction in Revelation 13: 16 – 18 will soon occur. The world’s newest invention proves it. Here’s what

happens at that hour in history after the Rapture mentioned in Revelation 4:1. Then the following Big Brother event occurs: “...he [the False Prophet] causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six” – Revelation 13:16 – 18. See the next report.)

MARK OF THE BEAST

National ID headed for your wallet, purse

December 30, 2013 – *WND.com* reports: “Shades of Big Brother.

Just as you were wrapping your mind around the idea that under Obamacare and the accompanying changes in the health-care system, your medical records will be floating around in some online repository, available to far too many

people, you’re being told you’ll soon have a National Identity Card and a Western Hemisphere-compliant travel document whether you want it or not, if you plan to drive in the United States.

The federal government says it soon will be enforcing its demands that state-issued driver’s licenses and ID cards comply with Department of Homeland Security standards.

DHS announced just before Christmas a final schedule for the full enforcement of the REAL ID Act of 2005.

That was set for a phased implementation beginning in January 2014 and full-scale enforcement planned no later than May 2017, at which time the federal government will no longer accept state-issued driver’s licenses and ID cards that do not meet the minimum security standards set by DHS...”

PLAGUES AND PESTILENCES

China investigating new deadly bird flu strain

December 19, 2013 – *Voice of America News* reports: “This week China reported the death of a woman it said was the first human to become infected with a new strain of bird flu. While researchers work to learn more about the H10N8 strain of the virus that she acquired, the World Health Organization said the quick notice about the case indicates China has made improvements in tracking deadly outbreaks.

Shortly after visiting a poultry market in Jiangxi Province, a 73-year-old woman

died from a new strain of bird flu called H10N8. She passed away on December 6, just six days after she contracted the disease.

Dr. Bernhard Schwartlander, the WHO representative in China, says the quick diagnosis of the bird flu that killed her reflects the increased strength of the country’s surveillance systems.

‘The fact that Chinese authorities detected this case in a 73-year-old woman that had other medical conditions actually shows that the active surveillance system, the active alert system, is actually working quite

well,’ explained Schwartlander...” **(One of the twenty-one judgments occurring during the seven years of the tribulation is judgment number four predicted in Revelation 6:7 & 8: “...when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see. And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.”)**

NEWS FROM RUSSIA

‘No one will prevail over Russia militarily’

December 17, 2013 – *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “Russia will not allow any nation to dominate it in military terms, the Russian president said. Some nations are developing new kinds of weapons, which may tip the global strategic balance, but Russia knows how to counter them.

‘Let no one have illusions that he can

achieve military superiority over Russia. We will never allow it,’ Vladimir Putin said in a speech to the Federal Assembly, the joint session of the two chambers of the Russian parliament.

Of particular concern for Russia are the elements of the U.S.-built national anti-ballistic missile system defense (AMD), which it plans to deploy in Europe. The project was for years justified by the perceived threat from

countries like Iran. The controversy over Iran’s nuclear program may soon be settled, but the AMD goes on as planned, Putin pointed out.

‘We realize clearly that the AMD system is only called defensive, while in fact it is a significant part of the strategic offensive potential,’ he stressed...” **(This headline is ridiculous as one studies Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, 14; 39:1, 2, 9, 12, and 13.)**