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and lift your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh” - Luke 21:28*

## CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

***‘We must teach the Gospel of Christ even if they kill us’: Philippines archbishop speaks out against government***

September 6, 2017 -- *ChristianToday.com* reports: “A Catholic archbishop in the Philippines has told clergy to continue preaching the Gospel even if they are threatened with death and ‘the government is hostile’.

Socrates Villegas, the Archbishop of Lingayen-Dagupan in Pangasinan said in a homily at Dagupan Cathedral: ‘We must teach even if our voices get hoarse. We must teach even if they threaten us.’

He continued: ‘We must teach even if they kill us and if they kill us, our message will echo even more because the best way to teach is through martyrdom!’

Lingayen-Dagupan is one of the most vocal archdioceses against the government, whose ruthless drugs ‘war’ has claimed thousands of lives in the country.

The archbishop said the times call on pastors not to be afraid and to ‘fill the dark world with the light of Christ’.

Villegas said: ‘In the lights and shadows of life, in the stormy and sunny days,

in the persecutions we endure and the triumphs we bask in—the Lord speaks.’...” (In Acts 5, the high priest and the Sadducees arrested Peter and the Apostles and put them in prison. The Angel of the Lord opened the prison door to release them and told them to “Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life” [Acts 5:20]. The captain and his officers brought them back before the council who stated: “... Did we not straitly command you that ye should not teach in his name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man’s blood upon us. Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than man” [Acts 5:28, 29]. After a long discussion, we read in verses 40 – 42: “when they had called the apostles, and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.” Throughout the ages there have been those who have followed this example, obeying God rather than man, and many have paid the price

for it. In Hebrews 11 we have the “Hall of Fame of Faith” and it lists many that were delivered by their faith, but is also says: “...others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.” Hebrews 11:35 – 38. God’s promise to His people – “Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.” – Revelation 2:10. See the next three reports.)

***Chinese Christians beaten while defending church property from demolition***

September 5, 2017 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Chinese security officers assaulted a number of priests and laypersons last week in China’s

northern Shanxi province as the Christians tried to defend church property from demolition.

Government officials beat Fathers Chen Jun, Gao Binglong, Ma Ning, and Shen Xuezhong as well as several laypersons including Cui Hewen, who was assaulted by workers and suffered injuries to the head. The officials had come to demolish a building belonging to the church, but the priests along with hundreds of laypeople sat in front of backhoes and other heavy machinery to block the demolition work.

Witnesses posted a video of the clash between government representatives and the Christians and the faithful can be heard shouting ‘Jesus save me!’ and ‘Mother Mary, have pity on us.’

Despite the beatings, news of which went viral on the internet, many more Christians went to the site to give their support to the Church, and reportedly some 2,000 Church members gathered at the property to block the demolition, forcing the workers and security officials to leave the venue...”

**Pakistan: Christian boy beaten to death in his classroom**

September 5, 2017 -- *ChristianToday.com* reports: “A Christian Pakistani teenager was beaten to death by his Muslim classmates on his fourth day at his new school in the Vehari District of Punjab, Pakistan.

Sharoon Masih, 17, was a promising student who had joined MC Model

Boys Government High School. Masih was the only Christian in his majority-Muslim form and was reportedly bullied and abused from his first day, his parents told the British Pakistani Christian Association.

Sharoon was named a ‘chura’, a derogatory term used for Christians, and was allegedly told by one student: ‘You’re a Christian, don’t dare sit with us if you want to live.’ It’s also said that there were several attempts to convert Sharoon to Islam.

On August 27, Sharoon was reportedly beaten by many of his fellow pupils in their classroom and died at the scene. Mixed reports have surrounded the on-duty classroom teacher: one report said he ignored the attack, while the teacher himself said he had not noticed it. The school’s head teacher later said that the violence had occurred between classroom sessions with one teacher late to arrive, so no one was on duty. The head teacher has been dismissed from his post...”

**Evangelicals assailed for affirming biblical morality on sex in ‘Nashville Statement’**

August 31, 2017 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A new manifesto by leading Evangelical Christians has drawn fire for its embrace of traditional sexual morality based on biblical norms.

The declaration, billed as the ‘Nashville Statement’ and signed by more than 150 Evangelical leaders, reaffirms Christian teaching on God’s creation of

human beings as male and female, an assertion that flies in the face of recent attempts to proclaim a nearly infinite ‘gender fluidity’ based on ‘autonomous preferences.’

The authors state that the path to full and lasting joy through God’s good design for his creatures is being ‘replaced by the path of shortsighted alternatives that, sooner or later, ruin human life and dishonor God.’

‘Our true identity, as male and female persons, is given by God. It is not only foolish, but hopeless, to try to make ourselves what God did not create us to be,’ the text reads.

The Nashville Statement immediately came under fire from LGBT activists as well as secular mainstream media, who denounced the document as bigoted, prejudiced and antiquated...” (*“Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!”* – Isaiah 5:20. *“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away”* – II Timothy 3:1-5.)

# THE SEA AND THE WAVES ROARING

**Irma’s trail of destruction in Florida Keys revealed**

September 11, 2017 – *Fox News* reports: “After Hurricane Irma ravaged the string of islands known as the Florida Keys, officials are now warning tourists and residents to stay away until further notice, noting: “The Keys are not open for business.”

Houses and mobile homes were uprooted and other infrastructure was destroyed, while an innumerable amount of boats in the Keys also suffered damage from Irma’s powerful winds. In a tweet Monday morning, a *WFOR* reporter said “it’s hard to describe” the lower Florida Keys, but it could be best described as a “war zone.”

“For most of the Florida Keys, there is no fuel, electricity, running water, or cell service,” Monroe County officials said in a news release. (**Jesus said: “And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things**

*which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh—” Luke 21:25 –28. See the next four reports.)*

### **Harvey is a 1,000-year flood event unprecedented in scale**

**August 31, 2017** – *The Washington Post* reports: “As Harvey’s rains unfolded, the intensity and scope of the disaster were so enormous that weather forecasters, first responders, the victims, everyone really, couldn’t believe their eyes. Now the data are bearing out what everyone suspected: This flood event is on an entirely different scale than what we’ve seen before in the United States.

A new analysis from the University of Wisconsin’s Space Science and Engineering Center has determined that Harvey is a 1-in-1,000-year flood event that has overwhelmed an enormous section of Southeast Texas equivalent in size to New Jersey.

There is nothing in the historical record that rivals this, according to Shane Hubbard, the Wisconsin researcher who made and mapped this calculation. ‘In looking at many of these events [in the United States], I’ve never seen anything of this magnitude or size,’ he said. ‘This is something that hasn’t happened in our modern era of observations.’...”

### **More than 1,000 dead in floods disaster in Sierra Leone**

**September 3, 2017** -- *ChristianToday.com* reports: “While Americans are rightly concerned about flooding in and around Houston, more than 1,000 people have died in the West African country of Sierra Leone, Christian Aid reports today.

The charity is appealing for funds to help the stricken survivors after torrential rains set off floods and mudslides in Freetown on 14 August. This was followed by a massive fire.

One ministry has set up a cooking and distribution site to feed destitute victims

who have lost everything in the ongoing crisis, but it urgently needs to do more.

‘After the landslide, we went in to console relatives left behind,’ said Rev Claudius Deah, head of Mission Bethel Ministries International in Monrovia, Liberia. ‘We started feeding people and conducting trauma counseling, and our members in West Africa collected clothing for distribution.’...”

### **Typhoon Hato leaves 16 dead as 27,000 evacuated in China**

**August 24, 2017** – *The London Telegraph* reports: “The strongest storm to hit parts of southern China in half a century continued to wreak havoc on Thursday, leaving 16 people dead, dozens injured and forcing tens of thousands to be evacuated from their homes.

Powerful Typhoon Hato had brought widespread destruction to the gambling mecca of Macau and the nearby city of Hong Kong on Wednesday, but had continued to lash China’s southern Guangdong province on Thursday.

Authorities in China “called for efforts to guard against geographical disasters such as mountain floods and landslides”, Xinhua state news agency said...”

### **Over 200 dead in India, Bangladesh and Nepal floods**

**August 16, 2017** – *Al-Jazeera* reports: “At least 221 people have died, and more than 1.5 million have been displaced by monsoon flooding across the South Asian countries of India, Nepal and Bangladesh.

Rescuers are currently scouring submerged villages searching for the missing.

Janardan Sharma, Nepal’s home minister, told parliament on Tuesday that 111 people had been killed and 35 are still missing in the country, which has seen nearly 20 percent of the population affected by severe flooding.

### **Mexico earthquake of magnitude 8.2 strikes off Pacific coast**

**September 8, 2017** -- *BBC News* reports: “An earthquake described by Mexico’s president as the country’s strongest in a century has struck off the southern coast, killing at least six people.

One person also died in neighbouring Guatemala, its president has said.

The quake, which Mexico’s leader Enrique Peña Nieto said measured 8.2, struck in the Pacific, about 87km (54 miles) south-west of Pijijiapan.

A tsunami warning was issued for Mexico, with three-metre-high waves possible, and other nearby countries.

The quake, which struck at 04:50 GMT, was felt in Mexico City, with buildings swaying and people running into the street. The tremors there, about 1,000km from the epicentre, were reported to have lasted up to a minute. President Peña Nieto said some 50 million Mexicans would have felt the tremor and that the death toll might rise...” **(Jesus stated in Luke 21: “...Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them. But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven” – Luke 21:8 – 11. According to <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/browse/significant.php> there have be 81 significant earthquakes in 2017 alone. Two of the deadliest earthquakes have taken place in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century - on January 12, 2010, 316,000 were killed when an earthquake tore through the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince, and on December 26, 2004, 230,000 were killed when an earthquake hit near the Indonesian Island of Sumatra. Revelation**

**6:12 speaks of the greatest earthquake that is yet to happen: "...I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;"** See the next report)

**Oklahoma shakes after being hit with 7 earthquakes in just 28 hours**

**August 7, 2017** – *Forbes* reports: "In just 28 hours central Oklahoma was shaken by seven sequential earthquakes,

ranging in magnitude from 2 to 5. The earthquakes began this past Tuesday night when five earthquakes repeatedly struck Oklahoma, followed by two more in the early hours of Thursday.

There was no significant damage and no significant injuries reported with the string of earthquakes. However, the earthquakes were widely felt in Edmond, Oklahoma, and parts of Oklahoma City. Two power sub stations were intermittently down as a result of the earthquakes, causing 4,600 residents of northeast Edmond to lose power.

These earthquakes were a result of induced seismicity. Induced seismicity refers to earthquakes that are triggered due to human activity. Since 2009, the USGS has noted a significant rise in induced seismicity associated with wastewater injection during oil and gas development. Oklahoma is one of the most affected regions in the United States for induced seismicity and is thus a focus for research and monitoring by the USGS.

# GLOBAL JIHAD

**More than 50,000 jihadists now living in Europe**

**September 6, 2017** -- *WND.com* reports: "German law-enforcement officials are busy tracking down dozens of members of Jabhat al-Nusra, one of the most brutal jihadist groups in Syria.

The jihadists are suspected of slaughtering hundreds of Syrian soldiers and civilians.

Police have identified roughly 25 of them and apprehended a few, but dozens more are thought to be hiding in towns and cities across Germany, according to the Gatestone Institute.

The suspected terrorists entered Germany posing as refugees.

In fact, more than 400 migrants who came to Germany as asylum seekers in 2015 and 2016 are now under investigation for being members of Middle Eastern Islamic jihadist groups, according to the Federal Criminal Police.

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency, also known as Frontex, has previously warned that Islamic terrorists are using the refugee crisis to slide into Europe undetected and plan attacks across the continent. Frontex has admitted it has no way of tracking jihadists and, therefore, does not know the actual number who have entered Europe..." **(All eleven Islamic terrorist groups have one**

**goal, a global takeover within the next ten years. The godless Sharia Law of Islam sparks international murder and death. The only hope is Christ's return to stop this horrendous hour in upcoming history. See the next two reports.)**

**'No-go zones' brewing in U.S., author warns**

**August 28, 2017** -- *WND.com* reports: "Driving into parts of inner-city Detroit, Chicago or Miami at certain times of day can be pretty scary, but when the drug culture meets Shariah law it becomes a whole new level of frightening.

Yet, that's what some U.S. neighborhoods have to look forward to if things don't change in Washington, says the author of a new book on Europe's 'no-go zones.' In fact, the early warning signs are already becoming visible in some U.S. communities, says Raheem Kassam, who visited more than a dozen Muslim-dominated enclaves on the continent.

The jolting message contained in 'No Go Zones: How Sharia Law Is Coming to a Neighborhood Near You,' is one of warning for America, which is in the process of building up its own no-go zones by making the same immigration mistakes now on full display in Germany, France, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Sweden and the United

Kingdom. Almost daily reports of attacks, often with knives or vehicles, have been reported in these countries, while these type attacks are almost never seen in Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic, countries that have barred their doors to Muslim migration.

But Kassam is worried about the United States.

Places like the Cedar Riverside area of Minneapolis, where Shariah cops make house checks to make sure Somali refugees are not becoming too Westernized, and Hamtramck, Michigan, where the call to prayer is blasted over loudspeakers in Arabic and storefronts that once peddled Polish sausage are now brimming with halal meats..."

**Report: Islamic State urges supporters to poison grocery stores, attack Harvey shelters**

**September 7, 2017** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "A pro-Islamic State (ISIS) Telegram channel has urged lone-wolf jihadists in the United States to target relief centers in Houston, Texas, housing people displaced by Hurricane Harvey, according to a report from SITE Intelligence Group.

'To all the LM's (lone warriors) in the U.S., pop down to Houston and drop in at any of the relief centers housing displaced people from the Houston

floods, make sure to bring lots of supplies/gadgets/toys to see if you can help put any kuffs (disbelievers) out of their misery,’ the message reads, followed by a series of emojis depicting explosions, knives, bombs, guns and medical symbols.

The hurricane, which primarily affected Texas—as well as parts of Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Kentucky—has forced thousands of people to evacuate their homes and take shelter in relief centers. It is estimated to have caused \$180 billion in damage and claimed the lives of at least 60 people. In the past few days, Islamic State channels have also posted calls for attacks on Europe, Russia, and the United States, on the occasion of the Islamic ‘Sacrifice Feast’ Eid al Adha. Meanwhile, another message urges supporters to use chemical weapons by injecting cyanide into products in Western supermarkets...”

### **‘I wanted to fulfill the commandment of Jihad’**

**August 27, 2017** -- *Israel National News* reports: “The State Prosecutor’s Office will file a second indictment on Monday against Ismail Abu Aram, the terrorist who stabbed a man 15 times at a supermarket in Yavneh earlier this month.

The police and Shin Bet investigation revealed that on August 2nd, the 19-year-old terrorist from the town of Yatta near Hevron arrived at the Supersol branch, pulled out a knife, stabbed the deputy director of the branch 15 times in his upper body, and then fled the store. The terrorist was then apprehended by civilians, who turned him over to the police...

Abu Aram confessed to carrying out the attack during his interrogation and told authorities that he had come to stab Jews ‘in order to carry out the commandment of Jihad.’ The prosecution is expected

to file an indictment against Abu Aram tomorrow for attempted murder.” (According to the *Answering Islam* web page, there are 164 verses in the Koran that call for Muslims to carry out Jihad, or holy war against the infidels. They believe they will be rewarded if they die carrying out jihad. One of the hadith’s of Mohammad states: “Truly the martyr is given by Allah Almighty six things: 1. Forgiveness of sins from the first drop of his blood to be shed; 2. Protection from the torment of the grave; 3. Safety from the Greatest Fear [i.e. the Day of Judgment]; 4. Receiving the crown of veneration, a single sapphire of which is worth more than the whole world and its contents; 5. Marriage to seventy-two of the wide-eyed virgins; 6. Intercession on behalf of seventy of his relatives.”)

# NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

### **Iranian commander: Israel won’t exist in 25 years**

**August 27, 2017** -- *Israel National News* reports: “The Zionist regime of Israel will not exist in 25 years, the Commander of the Iranian army, Major General Abdolrahim Mousavi said on Friday. Speaking at a cultural event in the city of Qom and quoted by the *Tasnim* news agency, Mousavi stated that Iran will be the side which decides how to end a war, if one were to break out against the country.

Mousavi described Iran as a ‘symbol of resistance’ against global hegemony, saying the world has now realized that it is impossible to try military engagement with Iran.

The Iranian general is hardly the only Iranian official to have threatened Israel. In December, the country’s Supreme

Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei stated that Israel could be destroyed within 25 years through a united ‘Palestinian struggle’.

‘The Zionist regime — as we have already said — will cease to exist in the next 25 years if there is a collective and united struggle by the Palestinians and the Muslims against the Zionists,’ he said.

Khamenei has in the past referred to Israel as a ‘cancer’ and has also threatened to ‘annihilate’ the cities of Tel Aviv and Haifa...” (Israel is here forever under the eternal rule of Christ in the New Jerusalem. All Christians join with Israel for this joyous 1,000 years – “...I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice

out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” – Revelation 21:2 – 4.)

### **Iran: We’ll be so strong, no one will dare attack us**

**September 4, 2017** -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Amid rising tension on Israel’s northern border, Iran’s newly appointed defense minister said Tehran will bolster its support for Hezbollah in an attempt to lessen the group’s dependence on weapons imports from the Shia country.

‘Our aim is to cut reliance on the outside and achieve self-sufficiency in defense industry,’ Brigadier General Amir Hatami said, adding ‘if needed, we will also export defense equipment to other countries in order to guarantee security and stability in the region.’

Israel has in recent years repeatedly hit convoys believed to be transferring advanced weaponry being transferred from Iran via Syria to Hezbollah. In early July, the head of the IDF Intelligence Directorate Major General Herzi Halevi confirmed reports that Hezbollah has been operating and managing two underground weapons factories set up by the IRGC in response to alleged Israeli strikes against weapons convoys in Syria...” **(Baseless boasting. According to GlobalFirepower.com, the United States has the highest Military Strength Rating, Israel is number 15, and Iran is number 21. Even if Iran were more powerful than Israel, history has shown us that when Israel is attacked by superior forces, the result is that Israel gets a new national holiday. Yahweh God has promised: “...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off” – Isaiah 56:5. See the next report.)**

### **Hezbollah reacts to IDF drill: We are ready for any act of Israeli stupidity**

**September 6, 2017 --** *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Lebanon did not remain silent following the start of a massive IDF drill simulating a war, with a Hezbollah official threatening that ‘the Israelis won’t succeed in surprising us.’

A senior Hezbollah official taunted Israel on Tuesday, saying that ‘we are ready for any attack or Israeli stupidity.’

The official, who was quoted by several Lebanese media sources but was left unnamed, spoke in reaction to the IDF’s announcement on Monday that it had begun its biggest drill in 20 years, in preparation for a possible war against the terrorist organization.

‘We [Hezbollah] are fully alert and ready

at any time for any possible scenario,’ the official was quoted as saying. He continued, ‘The Israelis won’t succeed in surprising us, because Israel knows full well [what] Hezbollah’s capabilities are after the loss it suffered in 2006 [in the Second Lebanon War], which deterred the IDF.’

The official had also said that the IDF was carrying out ‘the large military drill’ due to ‘Hezbollah’s military capabilities.’

Other Hezbollah associates, who were also unidentified by Lebanese media, were quoted as speculating that Israel is carrying out the exercise in order to prepare to face a renewed battle. The Jewish state is going to be forced to confront an entirely different and strengthened entity than the one it faced a little over a decade ago during the Second Lebanon War, they threatened...”

### **‘The Temple Mount belongs only to Muslims’**

**August 27, 2017 --** *Israel National News* reports: “Senior Muslim and Christian clerics in Jerusalem issued a statement attacking the ‘extreme right’ Israeli government for its decision to allow Knesset members to ‘break into’ the Temple Mount compound.

In their announcement, the entry of MKs to the Temple Mount was called an ‘illegal and inhuman step of provocation’ which was put into effect by an ‘irresponsible governmental authority,’ as ‘the Al-Aqsa Mosque [sic] belongs only to Muslims.’

The clerics also noted that the actions taken by Israel would not buy the Jews any rights on the Temple Mount.

They called upon the Arab residents of Jerusalem and the ‘Palestinian people’ to adhere to the ‘right’ granted them by Allah to ‘Palestine, from the Jordan River to the Mediterranean Sea,’ and to make efforts to always hold onto the Temple Mount, ‘especially in two days’ on Tuesday, when MKs are expected to be permitted, for this first time in nearly two years, to ascend the

Mount during a temporary removal of the government ban prohibiting them from ascending.” **(In Genesis 22:1-14 God commanded Abraham to bring his son Isaac to the land of Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice there. As he was about to complete the sacrifice, God stopped him and provided a ram as a substitutionary sacrifice. In I Chronicles 21:18 – 26, King David purchased this mount so he could build an altar to offer a sacrifice when he confessed his sin. This was the location where the angel of the Lord was commanded to stop the destruction of Jerusalem [I Chronicles 21:15]. In II Chronicles 3:1, King Solomon built the First Temple on Mount Moriah, this was started in 966 BC. This Temple stood until 586 BC when it was destroyed by the Babylonians. The Second Temple was built in 516 BC and enlarged by Herod the Great in 12 BC. It stood until it was destroyed by the Romans in AD 70. The Dome of the Rock was built in AD 692, and the Al Aqsa Mosque was not built until AD 705. It is obvious who has the rightful claim to the Temple Mount. See the next two reports.)**

### **‘We will not give up one grain of Al-Aqsa’**

**August 22, 2017 --** *Israel National News* reports: “The Supreme Islamic Council in Jerusalem is denying any religious or historical connection of the Jewish People to the Temple Mount, now calling the entire compound the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

A statement issued by the Council on Monday declared that the area of the Al-Aqsa Mosque covers 144 dunams and belongs exclusively to Muslims, according to the decision of Allah, since Muhammad’s ascension to heaven and until judgment day.

‘The Muslims will not give up one grain of the land (of the Al-Aqsa Mosque) because it is part of the faith of two billion Muslims worldwide, and without Muslims there is no connection to Al-Aqsa in the past or in the future,

and there is no recognition of any right the Jewish people have to it,' the statement said.

'Al-Aqsa is more supreme than the decisions of the courts, governments, and the Zionist Knesset, and it is not subject to negotiations, bargaining, concessions or understandings of any kind,' the senior Muslim officials declared..''

### **Incitement on Facebook: 'Spill blood on the Dome of the Rock'**

**September 6, 2017 -- Israel National News** reports: "IDF and Shin Bet forces arrested an Arab from the village of Beit Awwa in the South Hevron Hills on suspicions of incitement and support for a hostile organization.

The suspect, Nagy Mohammed Alswiti, a senior employee in the office of the

PA preventive security chief in Jenin, published content on Facebook in which he called for violent acts against Jews, and expressed praise and support for acts of terror.

The suspect called on his Facebook page to 'spill blood on the Dome of the Rock.'

Likewise, the suspect published the pictures of Adolf Hitler and Adolf Eichmann, noting that he missed 'people like them.'...''

# RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST

### **North Korea claims 'perfect' hydrogen bomb test**

**September 3, 2017 -- Breitbart.com** reports: "South Korean officials have confirmed a blast at a nuclear testing site in North Korea that the nation appears to be claiming was a test of a hydrogen bomb.

Shortly before the blast, state media published photos of dictator Kim Jong-un reportedly leading the testing.

'Respected Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un guided the work for nuclear weaponization on the spot,' *Rodong Sinmun*, North Korea's state newspaper, reported Sunday. The newspaper claims 'all components of the H-bomb were homemade and all the processes ranging from the production of weapons-grade nuclear materials to precision processing of components and their assembling were put on the Juche basis, thus enabling the country to produce powerful nuclear weapons as many as it wants.'...'' **(North Korea marches with Russia and China for the war of the latter years and latter days – Ezekiel 38:8, 16. Atomic bombs will produce global incineration – Psalms 97:3; Isaiah 66:15; Joel 2:3, 30; Zephaniah 1:18; Malachi 4:1; Revelation 8:7 and 9:18.)**

### **France: North Korea could nuke U.S., Europe 'within months'**

**September 1, 2017 -- The Times of Israel** reports: "France's foreign minister warned Friday that North Korea could have the capacity to deliver a nuclear strike on the United States and even Europe 'within months.'

Jean-Yves Le Drian called the situation following a string of missile tests by Pyongyang 'extremely serious' and urged the reclusive state to turn to dialogue to ease spiraling tensions.

'We see a North Korea whose objective is to have missiles capable of transporting a nuclear weapon tomorrow,' Le Drian told *RTL* radio.

'In a few months, that will be a reality. At that moment, when it has the capability to hit the U.S., even Europe and at the very least Japan and China, with a nuclear weapon, the situation will be explosive.'...'' **God help America. Revelation 9: 14 – 18 is the prophecy describing Armageddon: "...Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number**

*of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths."* The good news is that I dogmatically believe that this battle is fought after the Rapture: *"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth"* – Revelation 3:10; *"...I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter"* – Revelation 4:1; *"... the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the*

*Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord” – I Thessalonians 4:16 – 18. Rest upon God’s Word: “Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ” – Titus 2:13. See the next two reports.)*

### **North Korea’s missiles ‘could reach Europe sooner than expected’**

**September 6, 2017** -- *Sky News* reports: “North Korea could develop missiles that can reach Europe sooner than expected, the French defence minister has warned.

Florence Parly told the French military in Toulon there are risks to the continent from intercontinental ballistic missiles being built by Kim Jong Un’s regime.

Her comments came as President Trump and Theresa May held a call to discuss North Korea, during which the Prime Minister insisted it was ‘important for the international community to send out a clear message’ to the reclusive state...”

### **North Korea reportedly moving ICBM towards coast**

**September 6, 2017** -- *Asia Times Online* reports: “North Korea appears to be moving what appears to be an intercontinental ballistic missile towards its west coast, according to an unidentified intelligence source cited by Seoul-based *Asia Business Daily*.

The rocket, which was detected Monday, is reportedly being moved at night to avoid surveillance.

South Korea’s Defense Ministry couldn’t immediately confirm the *Asia Business Daily* report.

The unconfirmed move follows Pyongyang’s sixth nuclear test on September 3. North Korea has declared that the device was a hydrogen weapon. Western analysts are still analyzing data from the underground blast to determine if the claim is true...”

### **Putin warns North Korea situation on verge of ‘large-scale conflict’**

**September 1, 2017** -- *Reuters* reports: “Russian President Vladimir Putin warned on Friday that the tense standoff between North Korea and the United States was on the verge of large-scale conflict and said it was a mistake to try to pressure Pyongyang over its nuclear missile program.

Putin, who is due to attend a summit of the BRICS nations in China next week, wrote in an article published on the Kremlin’s web site ahead of his trip that he favored negotiations with North Korea instead.

‘It is essential to resolve the region’s problems through direct dialogue involving all sides without advancing any preconditions (for such talks),’ Putin wrote.

‘Provocations, pressure, and bellicose and offensive rhetoric is the road to nowhere.’ The situation on the Korean Peninsula had deteriorated so much that it was now ‘balanced on the verge of a large-scale conflict,’ said the Russian leader...”

**(Russia preparing to fulfill Ezekiel 38:1, 2, 8, 16; Joel 2:3, 20, 30 for the Armageddon campaign – Revelation 16:16 – which will be fought against America, the EU and the entire Western World. Islamic armies will align themselves with Russia and China for holy jihad – holy war – Ezekiel 38:13; Daniel 11:40; Isaiah 17:1; Ezekiel 38:5-7; Psalm 83: 4 – 7. See the next two reports.)**

### **As bombers drill, Russia warns U.S. against new North Korea sanctions**

**August 31, 2017** -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov warned U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson that potential new

sanctions against North Korea would be ‘dangerous.’

Lavrov and Tillerson spoke by phone late Wednesday, several hours after U.S. President Donald Trump said on Twitter that ‘talking is not the answer’ when it comes to dealing with North Korea.

Russia’s Foreign Ministry said in a read-out of the call late Wednesday that both Lavrov and Tillerson condemned North Korea for firing a midrange ballistic missile over Japan earlier this week and called for dialogue.

Lavrov told Tillerson that Russia urges all parties to avoid a military solution to the crisis and added that Moscow views any new potential sanctions against North Korea as ‘counterproductive and dangerous.’

On Thursday, U.S. heavy bombers and stealth jet fighters took part in a joint live fire drill in South Korea, intended as a show of force against the North after its latest missile launch, Seoul said...”

### **Russia sends nuclear-capable bombers on mission near South Korea, Japan**

**August 24, 2017** -- *Reuters* reports: “Russian nuclear-capable strategic bombers have flown over the Pacific Ocean, the Sea of Japan, the Yellow Sea and the East China Sea, prompting Japan and South Korea to scramble jets to escort them, Russia said on Thursday. Russia’s Defence Ministry said in a statement the Tupolev-95MS bombers, code named ‘Bears’ by NATO, flew over neutral waters and were accompanied by Russian Sukhoi-35S fighter jets and early warning and control aircraft.

It gave no details about the overall number of aircraft that had taken part in what it called a pre-arranged flight and did not say when or why the mission took place...”