

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

## CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

### **Report: Half a Billion Christians Facing Global Persecution**

**November 25, 2018** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “More than 60 percent of the world’s population of more than 7.5 billion reside in countries where the right to religious freedom is obstructed or denied. An estimated 505 million Christians face persecution for following their faith, a Catholic NGO Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) report indicated this week.

‘For simply belonging to the wrong religion, countless numbers of people have been killed; many others have disappeared and still more have been imprisoned indefinitely,’ John Pontifex, the report’s editor-in-chief, said.

On Thursday, a press release on the 14th edition of ACN’s Religious Freedom in the World Report, which this year covers all religions in 196 countries over a two-year period up to and including June 2018, declared:

The report—noting that respect for religious freedom is on the decline worldwide—finds that 61 percent of the world’s population live in countries where the right to religious freedom is obstructed or denied outright. The report estimates that some 327 million Christians live in countries where they face religious persecution, with another

178 million suffering some form of discrimination because of their faith.

ACN found non-state actors in countries like India, China, and Myanmar have exacerbated a boost in hatred against faith minorities...”

**(Great persecution will soon overtake most Christians in a majority of the world. USA Today reported that Christianity is the most hated religion in the world. “Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness’ sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.” – Matthew 5:10 – 12. However: 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.)**

**D’Souza: If America Does Not Speak Up, Asia Bibi Has No Chance of Surviving in Pakistan**

**November 20, 2018** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “If there ever was a time for America to speak up for religious

freedom, that time is now.

Asia Bibi — the Christian mother of five sentenced to death nearly a decade ago under Pakistan’s arcane blasphemy laws — is, in effect, still facing a sentence, despite the Supreme Court of Pakistan overturning her actual death sentence on October 31, acquitting her of all charges, and authorizing her immediate release.

The celebration by the international community was quickly drowned out by the thundering rage of mobs, organized by the Islamic extremist party Tehreek-e-Labbaik (TLP), who demanded her death.

Prime Minister Imran Khan, the cricket-star-turned-politician, initially resisted the demands of the extremists, but after three days of rioting, he capitulated. This isn’t new from the Pakistani prime minister. He did the same this year when he briefly appointed a world-renowned Princeton professor as an economic adviser only to bow to protests days later because the scholar happened to be an Ahmadi Muslim. The Ahmadiyya is a minority sect of Islam Pakistan’s Islamists viciously oppose.

In what can only be described as a devil’s bargain, the Pakistani government has now agreed to step

aside and allow the extremists to put Bibi on a ‘flight risk’ list to prevent her from leaving the country and to file an absurd appeal against the Supreme Court’s decision.

The government’s kowtowing to religious fanatics does not bode well for Bibi who, after spending over nine years in jail, seems closer to death than ever — either by a court’s reinstatement of her death sentence or an extrajudicial execution by a mob...” **(More Muslim hatred and slaughter in the name of their god. See what Jesus called such killers in John 8:44: “Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning...”)**

**Report: Unable to Reach Asia Bibi, Pakistan’s Islamists Attacking Random Christians**

November 13, 2018 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Islamists reportedly attacked

travelers in Pakistan who identified themselves as Christians in the wake of the decision by the Supreme Court to rescind the 2010 death sentence against Asia Bibi for alleged blasphemy, *CNN* reported on Sunday.

*Breitbart News* has long reported that Pakistan’s controversial blasphemy law is disproportionately used to target religious minorities, particularly Christians.

Human rights groups have determined that Muslims often use the law to settle personal disputes and vendettas.

Peter Jacob, the executive director for the Center for Social Justice in Lahore, told *CNN* that half of the individuals accused of blasphemy in Pakistan are non-Muslims, adding that his organization registered cases in which anti-Bibi rioters asked travelers to divulge their religion,

and if they revealed they were Christian, ‘They were taken out of their cars and beaten up.’

‘The mental and psychological scars’ inflicted on the Christian community will endure in the ‘current climate of fear,’ Jacob noted...” **(Jesus said in John 15: 18 – 20: “If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.”)**

# A BRAVE NEW WORLD?

**Police Stop Middle School ‘Satanists’ Alleged Plot to Mass Murder Students, Drink Their Blood**

October 26, 2018 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A pair of Florida middle school girls who said they wanted to be ‘Satanists’ were apprehended before unleashing a plot to murder their fellow students, police allege...”

The police claimed that an investigation proved that the girls had concocted a plan to begin killing their fellow students after the pair spent a night together watching scary movies.

Police claim that the girls admitted to the plot they intended to unleash after their first-period class. They allegedly said that they were planning to hide in a school bathroom and stab any girl who came in after them.

‘They wanted to kill at least 15 people, and were waiting in the bathroom for the opportunity to find smaller kids that they could overpower to be their victims,’ Bartow Police Chief Joe Hall

told the media.

Police claim the girls intended to slit their victims’ throats and then drink their blood...” **(“Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have**

**ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him” – Jude 1:2, 3, 4, 10, 14, and 15.)**

**Supremes asked if schools can expose naked students to opposite sex**

November 20, 2018 -- *WND.com* reports: “The U.S. Supreme Court has been asked to review a case that asks whether school districts can require that students be exposed to naked members of the opposite sex.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals agreed with the Boyertown Area School District in Pennsylvania that students should be allowed to use restrooms and showers according to their ‘gender identity’ rather than biological sex.

The Alliance Defending Freedom lawyers is representing Boyertown students and their parents in the case.

‘Given students’ constitutionally protected privacy interest in their partially clothed bodies, whether a public school has a compelling interest

in authorizing students who believe themselves to be members of the opposite sex to use locker rooms and restrooms reserved exclusively for the opposite sex, and whether such a policy is narrowly tailored' is the question that must be answered, ADF said.

During the 2016-17 school year – without informing parents or students – the Boyertown Area School District opened its high-school locker rooms and restrooms to students of the opposite sex based on the students' beliefs about their gender, said the legal group...” (This madness is spreading all

throughout the United States. In the November 2018 issue of the *Van Impe Intelligence Briefing* we reported on two P.E. teachers at the Chasco Middle School in Land O’ Lakes Florida school district who objected to the administrators orders to allow a girl into the boy’s locker room – and one of the teachers – Robert – refused to supervise the locker room because the minor female could be in the nude or otherwise in a state of undress. I Thessalonians 4:3-8 states: “For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain

*from fornication: That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.”)*

# NEWS FROM IRAN

## **Iran’s Rouhani Demands Muslims Unite to Fight U.S. and ‘Cancerous Tumor’ Israel**

**November 25, 2018 --** *Breitbart.com* reports: “Israel is a ‘cancerous tumor’ established by Western countries to advance their interests in the Middle East, Iran’s President Hassan Rouhani said Saturday, before calling on Muslim nations to unite and fight the U.S.

Addressing an annual Islamic Unity Conference in Tehran, Rouhani lamented ‘one of the negative results of World War II was the formation of a cancerous tumor in the region.’

He then went on to scold the U.S. and urged Muslim nations to unite and ‘band together in reality and practice... there is no way but to remain united, and you will win over the Zionists and the Americans if you remain united.’

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu responded later in the day, saying ‘Rouhani’s slander, which calls for the destruction of Israel, proves yet again why the nations of the world need to join in the sanctions against the Iranian terrorist regime which threatens them.’

Rouhani said the U.S. cultivates close ties with ‘regional Muslim nations’ to protect Israel, an apparent reference

to Iran’s regional rival Saudi Arabia and the kingdom’s Sunni Arab allies. He said bowing to American pressure amounts to ‘treason.’

He added Iran was prepared to defend Saudi Arabia from ‘terrorism and superpowers.’...” (Israel will never be destroyed. God has declared His love for Israel from its very beginning: “*And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple thee; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all. None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born. And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live... Then washed I thee with water; yea, I thoroughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil” – Ezekiel 16:4 – 6; 9. Deuteronomy 7:6-8 states: “For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. The Lord did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in*

*number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the Lord loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the Lord brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.” Despite the rantings and ravings of the world: “...let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance” – Psalm 83:4, God has promised: “...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off” – Isaiah 56:5. See the next three reports.)*

## **Iranian crowds chant ‘Death to Israel’ and ‘Down with U.S.’**

**November 4, 2018 --** *Israel National News* reports: “Crowds of Iranians called for ‘Death to Israel’ and ‘Down with the U.S.’ in a rally to mark the 39th anniversary of the seizing of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran during the Islamic Revolution in 1979.

The rally in the capital of Tehran comes as the United States restored all sanctions that had been lifted on Iran during the era of the Iran nuclear deal. Demonstrations also were held in other Iranian cities, *The Associated Press* reported.

Some 52 Americans were held hostage for 444 days in Iran. Following the hostage-taking, the U.S. halted diplomatic relations with Israel.

The White House on Friday announced that ‘all the sanctions’ relieved under the 2015 Iran deal would be reimposed, though at least eight countries — including major Iranian oil consumers India, South Korea and Japan — would get cutouts allowing them to continue purchasing Iranian oil...”

### ***Iran military drills depict collapse of White House***

**November 1, 2018** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Iran’s Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, inspected military foot drills performed by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).

During the drills, the soldiers chanted, ‘Allah Akbar! Khomeini is our

leader!... America, America, death to your deception! The blood of our youth is dripping from your fingers!’

An announcer also said: ‘We will eliminate the regime of injustice... ‘Death to America’ is the cry of my life!’ The drill included a depiction of the White House with a Star of David on top.

The White House was labeled ‘House of Injustice,’ and the pillars on the front of the White House were labeled ‘Corruption,’ ‘Racism,’ ‘Terrorism,’ ‘Axis of Evil,’ ‘Hollywood,’ ‘Dollar,’ ‘ISIS,’ ‘Genocide,’ ‘War,’ and ‘Violence.’

The drill then depicted the White House being split by a sword, followed by the collapse of the White House and the Star of David...”

### ***Rouhani: The U.S. will be defeated***

**November 15, 2018** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Iranian President Hassan Rouhani on Wednesday predicted that the United States ‘will be defeated’ as it has chosen the wrong path in reimposing sanctions on his country.

‘The Americans will definitely be defeated in this path. The path they have chosen is wrong and incorrect,’ Rouhani said, according to *Reuters*. ‘If they are being honest and they are looking for regional security, this is not the path. If they are being honest and respect the Iranian people, this is not the path.’

He added, ‘They have made themselves more infamous in the world and in front of our people. It’s clear for everyone that the incorrect and cruel sanctions of America will harm the dear and honorable people of our country.’...”

## **RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST**

### ***Beijing Debuts Plan to Monitor Behavior of Every Resident by End of 2020***

**November 26, 2018** -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Beijing announced an ‘action plan’ this week for monitoring residents’ behavior, adding that the city expects to have its social credit system fully implemented by the end of 2020.

Beijing plans to reward and punish its residents based on data that will be collected from various departments monitoring citizens’ social behavior, according to a detailed ‘action plan’ posted on Monday to the city’s municipal website.

By the beginning of 2020, the announcement declares, China’s capital city will have all residents officially locked into the permanent surveillance program, part of a broader effort to have every Chinese citizen rated on a ‘social credit system’ decreeing what public services a person can use based on their obedience to laws and loyalty

to the communist regime.

The government will use the data collected to assess citizens’ behavior to decide if an individual is law-abiding and ‘trustworthy’ to the Communist Party.

Residents who behave properly in the eyes of the Chinese government will receive high credit scores, while residents who misbehave will receive low scores, causing them to lead more difficult lives...” **(The False Prophet who arises to power with the Antichrist makes plans for global control of all humanity during the 7-year tribulation period: “...he 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.)**

### ***U.S. tells China to remove missile systems in South China Sea***

**November 13, 2018** -- *Asia Times Online* reports: “China has been warned by the United States to dismantle its missile systems shield deployed in the disputed Spratly Islands chain in the South China Sea.

The move, believed to be the first time Washington has directly addressed the issue, came in a statement following high-level talks at last week’s second annual U.S.-China Diplomatic and Security Dialogue.

Trade war tensions were expected to dominate the meetings in Washington.

But it was the military buildup in the South China Sea which was brought into sharp focus during discussions between U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis and their opposite numbers, Beijing’s leading diplomat Yang Jiechi and Defense Minister General Wei Fenghe.

‘The United States called on China to withdraw its missile systems from disputed features in the Spratly Islands, and reaffirmed that all countries should avoid addressing disputes through coercion or intimidation,’ the U.S. statement said...” **(Armageddon, Revelation 16:16 is headed up by Russia and China – Ezekiel chapters 38 & 39; and Revelation 16:12. The two enemies come from the north and the east as prophesied by the prophet Daniel in Daniel 11:44. The carnage will be devastating – “This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come” II Timothy 3:1.)**

**Russia fires at Ukrainian ships and captures three vessels off Crimea**

November 26, 2018 -- *News.Sky.com* reports: “Russia has opened fire on Ukrainian ships and captured three vessels in a major escalation of tensions off the coast of Crimea.

Three sailors have been wounded after the Ukrainian navy said two artillery boats were hit by the strikes in the Black Sea.

Ukraine’s President Petro Poroshenko called an emergency session of his war cabinet and has asked parliament to vote on whether to impose martial law on the country for 60 days.

Throwing his weight behind the measure, which is not guaranteed to

pass, he said it ‘in no way means that Ukraine will carry out any offensive actions’.

‘I want to emphasise separately that we have all irrefutable evidence that this aggression, this attack on the Ukrainian Navy’s warships was not a mistake, not an accident, but a deliberate action,’ he added...” **(Russia in Bible prophecy is the main instigator of death and suffering during Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Ezekiel chapters 38 & 39, which I have proclaimed for sixty years, aided by Oriental and Islamic nations, bring total chaos and atomic devastation upon the world. Worse yes, it’s just ahead of us. Every nation I included in World War III is forming exactly as taught this global blood bath six decades ago. The only good news is that the Rapture precedes Armageddon – “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. Then our deliverance as believers – Revelation 4:1 and our joy because of missing Armageddon.)**

**Russia Accused of Jamming GPS Signals During Major NATO Wargames**

November 14, 2018 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Russia has been accused of disrupting the satellite signals vital to the operation of the Global Positioning

System (GPS) during a major NATO military exercise last week, moving the Russian government to deny involvement.

The ability to receive GPS signals — the near ubiquitous U.S. satellite system widely used in both military and civilian applications for navigation — was impaired by a significant jamming effort across northern Finland last week, as the largest NATO wargames since the end of the Cold War took place in the area...

Russia has been blamed for the attempt to disrupt the exercise by knocking out navigation systems, which Britain’s Times newspaper reported was a ‘massive’ interference.

The disruption of GPS signals did not only impact the military exercise, with airline pilots in the area resorting to back-up navigation systems, and personal GPS systems in smartphones and cars also being affected...” **(“One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken at one end, And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted” – Jeremiah 50:31 & 32.)**

# NEWS FROM ISRAEL

**Farrakhan: Jews are fake Semites, white people are unnatural**

November 23, 2018 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan challenged prominent Jewish Americans to a debate during a sermon this week, while claiming that Jews have ‘no connection’ to the Land of Israel and that whites are ‘unnatural’ people.

The controversial 85-year-old leader of the Chicago-based Nation of Islam spoke

at a sermon in the Mosque Maryam in Chicago Sunday, following his return from a trip to Tehran, during which he was filmed leading a group chant of ‘Death to Israel, Death to the U.S.’.

Footage of the sermon, which was released on Tuesday, shows Farrakhan reiterating Nation of Islam claims that white people are ‘not natural people on our planet,’ the Nation of Islam’s newspaper *The Final Call* wrote.

‘Yakub, the father of the white race,’ said

Farrakhan. ‘He really taught the devil’s lies. He was a black scientist. He’s a liar.’

The Nation of Islam has claimed that non-blacks were created by a rogue scientist, Yakub, 6,600 years ago.

‘White people are grafted out of the original. This is science. Why isn’t the white man a native anywhere?’

Farrakhan also said that blacks are the authentic Semites, claiming that the Middle East – including the Arab world – was originally entirely black...”

(God has promised the land to Israel for all eternity. In Genesis 15:18 God states: *“In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates.”* And Joshua 1:4, God tells Joshua: *“From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.”* Currently Israel possesses just a fraction of the land that God has promised them.)

**Muslim willing to sacrifice ‘millions’ of lives to retake ‘Palestine’**

**November 19, 2018** -- *WND.com* reports: “‘Palestine’ must be retaken by Muslims even if it costs ‘millions’ of lives.

That’s the opinion of an imam in Florida whose recent sermon on the topic was uncovered by the *Middle East Media Research Institute*.

The Oct. 12, 2018, message was from Hasan Sabri of the Islamic Center of South Florida in Pompano Beach.

He said a ‘believing Muslim’s’ position is that Palestine is ‘Islamic waqf land that was occupied by force’ – and that it should be liberated ‘even if this leads to the martyrdom of tens of millions of Muslims.’

*MEMRI* reported Sabri also said, ‘Allah wants each and every one of you to be a man with a cause ... for which he lives and dies,’ noting that the Palestinian cause ‘is being plotted against’ with ‘the Deal of the Century.’...” (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.)

**‘Peace not possible in the foreseeable future’**

**November 18, 2018** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked addressed the third annual Jerusalem Leaders Summit on Sunday. During the summit, Shaked was asked about the next round of elections which may be held early due to the current coalition crisis.

‘I think that the election will be in March ... and the next prime minister will be Benjamin Netanyahu,’ Shaked said...

She called attempts to restart peace negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority a ‘waste of time.’

‘I don’t think that there is a current chance in the current [foreseeable] future to make peace in the Middle East. I think that... Mahmoud Abbas, is not there. The gaps between the Palestinians and the Israelis are much too big to be bridged.’...” (Pray for the peace of Israel and Jerusalem – Psalms 122:6. Great trouble is about to break loose in the Middle East over the Holy city. Islam is calling for a second Holocaust. Jeremiah 30:7; II Kings 17:34; Daniel 12:1; Matthew 24:21, 22. In this text Israel is the elect group attacked – Isaiah 42:1; 45:4; 65: 9, and 22. Thank God for his promise of protection for His Chosen people: *“And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed”* – Genesis 12:3.)

**Hamas’s military wing says its forces made a ‘global mockery’ of Israel**

**November 12, 2018** -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “The Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades, Hamas’s military wing, declared on Monday that Israel bears full responsibility for what it

described as a ‘dangerous crime’ in the southern Gaza Strip and contended that its forces had made a ‘global mockery’ of the Israeli intelligence apparatus.

On Sunday, Israeli Special Forces participated in an operation deep inside the Gaza Strip that sparked hours of clashes and left one senior IDF officer dead, the army said on Monday.

Six Qassam fighters and a member of another terrorist group were killed, according to Hamas’s military wing.

The Special Forces were in Gaza ‘for intelligence purposes, not for an assassination or a kidnapping,’ IDF Spokesperson Ronen Manelis told *Army Radio*...

The Qassam Brigades suggested that Israel would pay a price for its actions.

‘The criminal enemy bears full responsibility for this dangerous crime and its consequences,’ the Qassam Brigades said in a statement posted on its official website. ‘If God wills, the blood of our righteous martyrs will not be wasted.’

The Qassam Brigades also belittled Israel’s intelligence services, asserting that its forces made it into ‘a global mockery.’...” (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.)

**Iranian official: Hamas’ rockets foiled Israel’s dreams**

**November 18, 2018** -- *Israel National News* reports: “Hamas’ recent rocket barrage foiled Israeli dreams for normalized ties with Arab states, the adviser to the Iranian Speaker of Parliament said on Saturday, according to *i24news*.

‘This [Hamas missile strikes] shows that

normalization of Arab-Israeli relations, declarations of Quds [Jerusalem] as the Israeli capital and the [U.S.-led] ‘Deal of the Century’ are dreams that will not come true and the Zionist regime will not attain them,’ Hossein Amir-Abdollahian said.

U.S. President Donald Trump’s plan for Mideast peace ‘only seems practical on paper,’ Abdollahian argued.

Gaza terrorists fired nearly 500 rockets and mortars toward southern Israel starting on Sunday night and until Tuesday afternoon. One person was killed and over 50 injured from rocket and mortar strikes, and a number of private homes were struck during the onslaught...’’

### **UN set to vote on slew of measures critical of Israel**

**November 16, 2018** -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “The United Nations General Assembly is set to vote Friday

on nine resolutions critical of Israel and none against any other country.

The measures, which range from condemnations of Israeli construction in East Jerusalem and the West Bank to renewing the mandate of a UN committee probing ‘Israeli practices affecting the human rights of the Palestinian people and other Arabs of the occupied territories,’ were sponsored by a number of countries that have been scrutinized for their own human rights records, among them Cuba, Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Zimbabwe.

Some of the resolutions, such as one reaffirming the mandate of the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, were sponsored by European states such as Ireland, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Malta, Norway, Portugal and Sweden.

‘The UN’s planned assault on Israel with a torrent of one-sided resolutions is surreal,’ said Hillel Neuer, executive

director of the UN Watch monitor group...” **(Horrendous days are ahead for Israel. Why? Because Satan has always stood against the Jews – I Chronicles 21:1. Great persecution for God’s chosen people and Christians is already in full swing in much of the globe and will soon reach America and Canada. Jesus predicted the future for His elect people, the Jews and Christians: “Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name’s sake” – Matthew 24:9; “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect’s sake those days shall be shortened” – Matthew 24:21, 22; “... I will give them an everlasting name...” Isaiah 55:6.)**

## **THE BURDEN OF DAMASCUS**

### **Syrian Army claims S-300 air defenses keeping Israel at bay**

**November 8, 2018** -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “The Syrian military on Thursday said the S-300 air defense systems it received from Russia were largely stopping Israel from successfully conducting strikes against targets in the country.

‘There is no concept of zero probability in military strategy. We cannot say that

this probability has been reduced to zero,’ Brig. Gen. Hasan Ahmad Hasan, head of the Syrian Army’s political bureau, told the Kremlin-backed *Sputnik* news site.

‘I cannot say that in the end there will not be such a probability; however, the probability of this aggression achieving its goals has been minimized,’ he said.

Russia delivered the advanced S-300 anti-aircraft batteries to Syria last month

following the downing of a Russian military plane by Syrian air defenses during an Israeli strike on Iranian targets in Syria the month before...” **(“The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap” – Isaiah 17:1. Damascus is widely believed to be the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world, but God’s Word declares that will end.)**

## **THE RELIGION OF PEACE?**

### **ISIS Concert Threats Continue with Image of Cleaver-Wielding Jihadist**

**October 29, 2018** -- *PJMedia.com* reports: “ISIS-supporting media groups continued a recent rash of online threats against concert venues with a new depiction of a jihadist clad in a hooded sweatshirt wielding a cleaver.

In the last week of September,

*Al-Abd Al-Faqir Media* released a poster depicting a jihadist blending into a crowd wearing a white T-shirt and jeans. As concert-goers face the stage, the jihadist grips a grenade in his right hand.

‘We have prepared for you what never crossed your mind, for our goal is to horrify you and terrorize you and harm you,’ the text read.

The first week of October, in a move possibly meant to coincide with the one-year anniversary of the Las Vegas massacre — a mass shooting that ISIS first claimed and now encourages followers to emulate — a poster from *Remah Media Production* that circulated online showed a jihadist wearing a suit jacket and standing with a large knife behind his back while behind concert-goers...” **(The**

**World Christian Encyclopedia documents the slaughter of 145 million Christians in the past 100 years. There are 47 major Islamic terrorist groups, not just ISIS, all are dangerous organizations. Christ in His day predicted such killers would arise in Matthew 23:15 & 16: “Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves. Woe unto you, ye blind guides...”** See the next report.)

**ISIS-linked media: California fires are retribution for Syria**

**November 15, 2018 -- WND.com** reports: “ISIS, the terrorist organization that once controlled vast swaths of Iraq and Syria with its reign of death and destruction, hasn’t directly claimed responsibility for the horrific wildfires in California that have claimed more than 50 lives over the past few days. But one media outlet known to be in support of ISIS has suggested the jihadist group is responsible.

*PJ Media* reported on Wednesday that *Al-Ansar Media* is claiming the wildfires are retribution for America’s participation in the civil war in Syria.

*Al-Ansar Media* is circulating an image that uses a photo of a burning building and misspells the state ‘kalifornia.’

‘O america, This is the punishment of bombing Muslims in Syria,’ states the text. ‘This is Allah’s punishment for you. And in shaa Allah, you will see more fires. Praise be to Allah.’...”

**Muslim rapes teen girl, acquitted due to ‘cultural norms’**

**November 26, 2018 -- WND.com** reports: “A French court acquitted a refugee from Bangladesh for the rape of a high-school girl after the defense argued the immigrant had ‘different cultural norms’ that may have caused him to misinterpret his contact with the girl.

The refugee also was charged with sexually assaulting another young girl. Both incidents happened in 2015. He was given a suspended sentenced of two years in prison for the sexual-assault

charge, reported *Voice of Europe*, citing the French news site *La Manche Libre*.

The report said experts who investigated the refugee, who was not named, pointed out that in the male culture of Muslim-majority Bangladesh, ‘women are relegated to the status of sexual object.’

*Voice of Europe* said the accused, age 18 at the time of rape, went for a walk with a 16-year-old girl who attended the same high school in Saint-Lô, France...”

(Here’s where these sex maniacs end up: “**Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God**” I Corinthians 6:9, 10. But verse 10 is for those who repent and come to Jesus: “**And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.**”)

# TRAIN UP A CHILD

**Children taught national heroes are ... those who kill!**

**October 28, 2018 -- WND.com** reports: “A list of 10 people promoted in a textbook by the Palestinian Authority as national heroes includes no scientists. There are no doctors on the list, no engineers. There are no singers, no athletes, no artists.

In fact, while there have been three Muslim Nobel Prize laureates in science and two in literature, they are not on the list, reports *Joseph Farah’s G2 Bulletin*. The names feted in the textbook are ‘10 Muslim combatants from the first century of Islam through the 21st century ... and possibly the worst name

on this list of role models is terrorist mass-murderer Dalal Mughrabi.’

That’s according to Itamar Marcus of *Palestinian Media Watch*.

In a commentary published in the *Jerusalem Post*, he said there’s a reason many recent Palestinian terrorists have been teens, ‘including the recent murderer of Israeli-American father of four, Ari Fuld.’

It’s because the PA urges children to aspire to become a terrorist and even die as a terrorist...” (Proverbs 22:6 states: “**Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.**” This is seen in the New Testament in the life of Timothy. Paul writes in II Timothy 1:5: “**When I call to remembrance the unfeigned**

**faith that is in thee, which first dwelt in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded in thee also.**” Islam also believes in training up a child – but not to follow the Lord. The Islamic State refers to them as “Cubs of the Caliphate” and has released training videos showing them murdering helpless prisoners. How warped can these barbarians be? Jesus said in Matthew 19:14: “... **Suffer the little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.**” And in Matthew 18:6 He stated: “**But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.**”)