

*“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

### **DC Comics Set to Release Superhero Comic Book Starring a Bungling Jesus Christ**

January 10, 2019 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “DC Comics drew critical praise for its series of short-run books that re-imagine classic characters and coming up soon, the company is set to release a new book featuring an out-of-touch, bungling Jesus Christ in the lead.

The planned Vertigo imprint series will join previous re-imaginings such as the series about the 60s cartoon hit *The Flintstones* and a redux of the cartoon character *Snagglepuss*, both of which are stuffed with left-wing social justice warrior plots. *Snagglepuss*, for instance, was turned into a gay thespian, and *The Flintstones* featured socialist workers plots.

In the new comic, written by Mark Russell, Jesus Christ will be portrayed as an out-of-touch former savior who is cast out of his prison in heaven and back down to earth because God the Father felt that Christ messed up his first visit with mankind, *Newsbusters* reported.

The book is to be called Second Coming and will feature Jesus living in an apartment with a superhero named Sun-Man. Russell described the superhero as ‘the varsity quarterback son God

never had.’...” (I wonder if DC Comics would ever release a book mocking Muhammad or Allah? Probably not. One has to just look at Salman Rushdie to know how that would turn out. Because of his book *The Satanic Verses* Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini issued a fatwa calling for his assassination. Do we as Christians need to call for a fatwa on DC Comics? No, they, and all who reject God will answer to Him: “*God is jealous, and the Lord revengeth; the Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies. The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the Lord hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet. He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth. The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein. Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him. The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him. But with an overrunning flood*

*he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies” – Nahum 1:2-8.)*

### **Holy war erupts over Jesus ‘physically’ rising from dead**

January 14, 2019 -- *WND.com* reports: “When Jesus rose from the dead, was it a physical resurrection of His body, or was He transformed into a spiritual body?

That question has sparked a serious dispute in the Church of England, and the archbishop of Canterbury is now being pressured to force his new representative to Rome to resign.

That representative is Rev. Dr. John Shepherd of Perth, Australia, whose remarks from 2008 have surfaced, creating the uproar.

‘We need to challenge the belief that the resurrection of Jesus from the dead was a physical resurrection,’ Shepherd says on video.

‘It would be wrong to demand an interpretation of the resurrection which includes the physical resuscitation of Jesus’ body when the accounts in the New Testament refer to the resurrection of the body transformed by the Spirit of God.’...” (“*Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there*

*be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming" – I Corinthians 15:12-23.)*

**Persecution of Christians is 'set to rise' in 2019**

January 2, 2019 -- *ChristianToday.com* reports: "Release International has warned that the persecution of Christians worldwide is set to rise in 2019.

The charity has welcomed a review of Christian persecution ordered by Britain's foreign secretary Jeremy Hunt and led by the Bishop of Truro, Philip Mounstephen. Its chief executive Paul Robinson said there was a 'worrying upward trend' in persecution and backed calls for the UK to do more to 'support the suffering church worldwide'.

Release said its partners support the view that persecution is rising and have warned the trend will continue into 2019. Among the countries it names as of particular concern for 2019 are Nigeria, India and China.

In Nigeria Fulani militants are set to continue devastating attacks against Christians in the north and centre of the country. In the first six months of 2018 alone, they killed up to 6,000 people and drove 50,000 from their homes.

A Release partner said: 'The escalation

in killing is very clear. There is a deliberate plan to destroy and take over the predominantly Christian communities in the region.'..." (*"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. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father" – John 15:18-24.)*

**Report: 245 Million Christians Facing 'Extreme' Persecution Worldwide**

January 17, 2019 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "North Korea remains at the top of a list of 50 countries where at least 245 million Christians are facing 'extreme persecution' this year, up 14 percent from 215 million at the beginning of 2018, the World Wide Watch List (WWL) released on Wednesday by Open Doors, a group that monitors the mistreatment of Christ followers, revealed.

At the Heritage Foundation, David Curry, the president and CEO of Open Doors, unveiled the 2019 WWL that ranks the top 50 'most dangerous' countries to follow Jesus, noting that women are especially targeted.

'The Open Doors World Watch List which you will see today is the most comprehensive grassroots study of what is happening around the world to restrict religious freedom, particularly for Christians,' he explained, adding 'The data proves conclusively that

Christian women are the most exploited group on the face of the earth.'

Curry highlighted several trends that are currently fueling the mistreatment of Christians, including the rise of authoritarianism and spread of radical Islam, particularly into sub-Saharan Africa.

'Radical Islam is the driver behind eight of the top 10 on the World Watch List this year, four of which are from Africa,' the Open Doors chief proclaimed.

'Africa is now a major epicenter of violence against Christians,' he observed..." (*"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.)*

**Jesus as Son of God? Muslims now claim Christian beliefs 'mock Islam'**

January 1, 2019 -- *WND.com* reports: "A Christian commentator isn't saying, 'I told you so.'

But he could.

With the most recent developments in Uganda, where, according to a *Washington Times* report, Muslims are now considering 'any public statement of the Christian faith,' to be an insult to Muslims.

And then they believe they can 'justifiably exact revenge.'

Including violent attacks against Christians making statements about their faith.

It is commentator Robert Spencer who has written at *FrontPageMag* that the *Times* report explains the 'extraordinary revelation.'

'Muslims now consider any public statement of the Christian faith to be a calculated insult to Muslims, for which they can justifiably exact revenge,' he said. 'This is, or should be, sobering news for the comfortable Christians of the West who have made an idol out of 'interfaith dialogue' and

fastidiously avoid saying anything remotely critical about Islam, even as the Muslim persecution of Christians continues worldwide.’...” (Islam’s goal is global domination. Islamic leaders Ayatollah Khomeini, Khamenei, and

Kabbala, all warn that Islam will take over the world and that their prophet Jesus, called Isa, will be the chief executioner of all who will not convert to Islam under the rule of their messiah Mahdi. Shariah Law

demands that all Islamic apostates who deviate from any point of Islam’s law be executed by crucifixion [Surah 5:33] or beheading [Surah 47:4]. This is not only for Islamic defectors but all Christians as well.)

# SANCTITY OF LIFE

## **Abortionist: ‘God Performs Way More Abortions than I Do’**

January 3, 2019 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “In the midst of an ongoing Twitter war, an American abortionist said that God performs ‘way more’ abortions than she does, suggesting that miscarriages are God’s abortions.

Responding to a Twitter comment last week wondering aloud of what ‘God thinks’ of her profession, Utah abortionist Leah Torres said, ‘God performs way more abortions than I do, so there’s that.’

Attributing every natural death to God’s direct intervention could seem a bit much, and numerous social media users took issue with Dr. Torres’ logic. It would seem to suggest — some argued — that anyone who kills another human being at any time is doing no more than God does when people die of cancer or heart failure.

Dr. Torres is vocal in her defense of abortion as healthcare, even when it is used as birth control, and feels no need to apologize for what she does.

‘Abortion is used as birth prevention. I feel fine about that,’ she tweeted last week...” (While it is true that a pregnancy loss is known in the medical world as a ‘spontaneous abortion’ it has nothing to do with induced abortion. This woman is not God, He alone dictates life’s order of events: “*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; A time*

*to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace” – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. “See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand” – Deuteronomy 32:39. “The Lord killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up” – I Samuel 2:6.)*

## **Planned Parenthood chief: ‘Health care’ is NOT Job 1**

January 9, 2019 -- *WND.com* reports: “Planned Parenthood for years has characterized its work as ‘health care.’ In one statement posted online, it says ‘compassionate staff at Planned Parenthood are experts in women’s health care.’

‘We provide essential reproductive and sexual health services like pelvic exams, Pap tests, cancer screenings, and testing and treatment for vaginal infections.’

It also says that through ‘our health centers across the U.S., inclusive, medically accurate sex education programs, and tireless efforts to defend people’s right to access quality, affordable health care, Planned Parenthood is working to create the healthiest generation ever — both at home in the United States and around the globe.’

And Planned Parenthood ‘is one of the nation’s leading providers of high-quality, affordable health care for women, men, and young people, and the nation’s largest provider of sex

education. We offer quality health care, backed by medical experts and over 100 years of research in reproductive care.’

But it’s real mission? Abortion.

That’s according to the organization’s new president...” (According to the Guttmacher Institute: “*During 2010–2014, an estimated 56 million induced abortions occurred each year worldwide. This number represents an increase from 50 million annually during 1990–1994, mainly because of population growth.*” Keeping it at that estimate, there have been over 448 million induced abortions worldwide since 2010. The population of the United States in 2018 was 327.16 million. The New York State legislature has just put into place one of the most radical abortion laws in the United States – allowing abortions through the third trimester, including up to birth. It also prevents pregnant women whose babies are killed in an attack on the mother from seeking justice. God said in Exodus 21:22-25: “*If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman’s husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life, Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.*” In other words, if a woman give birth prematurely – but the baby survives – then the attacker would be punished as the husband and judge determines. However, if mischief follows, or the baby dies, then it would be life for life.)

# TERRORIST THREAT

## **'Mass casualty' attack on White House foiled**

**January 17, 2019** -- *WND.com* reports: "An Atlanta-area man has been accused of plotting to destroy the White House and other government buildings in Washington, D.C.

*The Atlanta Journal Constitution* reported the suspect is Hasher Jallal Taheb of Cumming, Georgia.

The report said all threats were neutralized and the suspect, who was arrested in Gwinnett County and briefly appeared in court Wednesday, apparently was working alone.

The FBI's criminal complaint accuses him of plotting terror in Washington.

It explained a community member contacted law enforcement last month to warn that Taheb was radicalized.

Then in August, an FBI informant reached out to him when he apparently put his vehicle up for sale.

'Taheb allegedly said he planned to travel to 'hijra,' a term said to refer to Islamic State territory and he was selling the car to fund the trip. But he

didn't have a passport,' the report said. Then he allegedly said he wanted to attack the White House and Statue of Liberty..." **(As ISIS is losing control of the lands that they had held, and is facing the end of their 'caliphate' they are encouraging their members to carry out attacks wherever they are. ISIS claims to be in all fifty states and vows to kill Jews and Christians in massive numbers. It will fail as Almighty God and the forces of Christian groups slaughter the murderers of God's children, Christians. Jesus added "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell? – Matthew 23:33. See the next report.)**

## **ISIS Threat Depicts Exploding Capitol to Coincide with Start of 116th Congress**

**January 11, 2019** -- *PJMedia.com* reports: "An ISIS-allied media group continued threats against the U.S. Capitol in a violent image released as new lawmakers were sworn into office. In the image, a white jihadist wearing military gear and a black ski mask

stands outside the front of the Capitol as an explosion detonates in the dome. Both the House and Senate ends are depicted in flames.

'And fight them until there is no fitnah,' states the text on the image.

Fitnah means a test or trial. Islamic scholars have clarified the term as separating the bad from the good and 'burning them with fire' and a word 'often used to describe tests in which something disliked is eliminated': 'Fitnah means testing, fitnah means trial, fitnah means wealth, fitnah means children, fitnah means kufr, fitnah means differences of opinion among people, fitnah means burning with fire.'

The same group behind the threat also this month released an image of a jihadist attacking President Trump as he's inside a vehicle, with the directive 'Fight them for they are polytheists.' Another poster circulated online depicted a gray-sweatshirt-wearing jihadist wielding a long knife, telling lone jihadists to wage jihad where they are in 'the land of disbelief'..."

# THE KINGS OF THE EAST

## **Sinking U.S. aircraft carriers will resolve tension in South China Sea, says Chinese admiral**

**January 4, 2019** -- *FoxNews.com* reports: "The deputy head of a Chinese military academy told an audience in Shenzhen last month that tensions in the South China Sea could be resolved by sinking a pair of U.S. aircraft carriers, reports said.

'What the United States fears the most is taking casualties,' said Rear Admiral Lou Yuan, deputy head of the Chinese Academy of Military Sciences, *news.com.au* reported. He said sinking one carrier would kill 5,000 and sinking

two would double that number.

Brad Glosserman, a China expert and professor at Tokyo's Tama University, said Lou's comments reflect a growing belief in China that the United States has lost its stomach for war, according to a report from *military.com*.

The Chinese believe that 'Americans have gone soft ... [they] no longer have an appetite for sacrifice and at the first sign of genuine trouble they will cut and run,' Glosserman said..." **(China will become a basic partner with Russia for the rapidly approaching battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Russia will lead invasion number one – Ezekiel 38 & 39. China will lead invasion number**

**two – Revelation 16:12; Revelation 9:14 – 16. Then all nations will come against Jerusalem for the final invasion at which point Jesus will return to stop the bloodshed and set up his eternal kingdom upon earth – "[He gathers] all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken... Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of**

*it toward the south” – Zechariah 14:2 – 4. Then Psalm 2:6 occurs as God the Father says: “...I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion [Jerusalem].” See the next two reports.)*

**China tests its own ‘Mother of All Bombs’**

January 6, 2019 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “China has tested its most powerful non-nuclear weapon, dubbed the ‘Mother of All Bombs’ by official media in a reference to a U.S. munition used in Afghanistan.

In a short video published on the website of state arms manufacturer Norinco, the massive bomb drops on to a plain and produces a gigantic ball of fire and black smoke.

On social networks Wednesday, the official *Xinhua* news agency described the bomb for the first time, calling it the ‘Chinese version of the ‘Mother of all Bombs’.

The bomb — whose strength is only second to that of a nuclear weapon, according to the agency — was dropped by a Chinese H-6K bomber.

No details on the date, location or range of the bomb blast were provided.

In 2017 the U.S. dropped the most powerful conventional bomb in its arsenal, dubbed the ‘MOAB’ — the ‘Mother of All Bombs’ — in an attempt to destroy a tunnel network being used by the Islamic State (IS) group in the east of Afghanistan...”

**China takes lead in some military tech: Pentagon**

January 16, 2019 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “China is on the cusp of fielding some of the world’s most advanced weapons systems — and in some cases already has surpassed its rivals, a Pentagon assessment released Tuesday found.

An unclassified report by the Defense Intelligence Agency says Beijing has made enormous military strides in recent years, thanks partly to domestic laws forcing foreign partners to divulge technical secrets in exchange for access to China’s vast market.

As a result of ‘acquiring technology by any means available,’ China now is at the leading edge on a range of technologies, including with its naval designs, with medium- and intermediate-range missiles, and with hypersonic weapons — where missiles can fly at many times the speed of sound and dodge missile-defense systems.

‘The result of this multifaceted approach to technology acquisition is a PLA (People’s Liberation Army) on the verge of fielding some of the most modern weapon systems in the world,’ states the report, entitled ‘China Military Power.’...”

# SIGNS IN THE SUN, MOON AND STARS

**Chinese Craft First to Land on Moon’s Far Side**

January 3, 2019 -- *Voice of America News* reports: “A Chinese spacecraft Thursday made the first-ever landing on the far side of the moon in the latest achievement for the country’s growing space program.

The relatively unexplored far side of the moon faces away from Earth and is also known as the dark side.

A photo taken by the lunar explorer Chang’e 4 at 11:40 a.m. and published online by the official *Xinhua News Agency* shows a small crater and a barren surface that appears to be illuminated by a light from the probe...” (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 three reports.)*

**In space, the U.S. sees a rival in China**

January 7, 2019 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “During the Cold War, U.S. eyes were riveted on the Soviet Union’s rockets and satellites. But in recent years, it has been China’s space programs that have most worried U.S. strategists.

China, whose space effort is run by the People’s Liberation Army, today launches more rockets into space than any other country — 39 last year, compared to 31 by the United States, 20 by Russia and eight by Europe.

On Thursday it landed a space rover on the dark side of the Moon — a first by any country — and plans to build

an orbiting space station in the coming decade. In the decade after that, it hopes to put a Chinese ‘taikonaut’ on the Moon to make the first moonwalk since 1972.

China now spends more on its civil and military space programs than do Russia and Japan. Although opaque, its 2017 budget was estimated at \$8.4 billion by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development...”

**U.S. moves to speed military space upgrades under pressure from China, Russia**

January 10, 2019 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “The United States will accelerate its space program to compete with China’s, a senior Defense Department official said.

Vice President Mike Pence last year announced the U.S. military would create a sixth branch, the Space Force, by 2020 as part of a renewed focus on space exploration, as well as to meet concerns about the country’s ability to

defend assets in space.

While the U.S. military already is tasked with a variety of space responsibilities — it operates the widely used GPS system, for example — the Air Force

Space Command also has stepped up preparations to defend space with its Space Flag series of exercises.

A major part of pushing forward with these efforts, Pentagon officials say,

is to first create a Space Development Agency that will focus on defensive capabilities for space-based assets, as well as better global defenses against missile attacks...”

# THE NUCLEAR THREAT

## **Nuclear arms treaty faces collapse after failed U.S.-Russia talks**

January 16, 2019 -- *SpaceDaily.com* reports: “The survival of a key nuclear arms control treaty was cast further in doubt Tuesday after the U.S. and Russia blamed each other for pushing the agreement to the brink of collapse.

Senior diplomats from both countries met in Geneva amid widespread concern over the fate of the bilateral Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty, which successfully put an end to a mini-arms race after it was signed in 1987.

U.S. President Donald Trump said in October that his country would pull out of the deal unless Russia stops violating it. Russian President Vladimir Putin has threatened to develop nuclear missiles banned under the treaty if it is scrapped. ‘The meeting was disappointing as it is clear Russia continues to be in material breach of the Treaty and did not come prepared to explain how it plans to return to full and verifiable compliance,’ U.S. Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, Andrea Thompson, said in a statement...” (Ezekiel 38:5 predicts that Russia, the Orient, and Persia [which changed its

name to Iran in 1932] will see millions destroyed through atomic warfare in the Latter Years and Latter Days – Ezekiel 38:8, 16. Prepare to meet thy God Israel – Amos 4:12. This battle is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18: *“Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, 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.”* See the next report.)

## **Report: ‘Evidence of Ongoing Operations’ at North Korea Nuclear Facility**

January 13, 2019 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “North Korea’s largest and

most important nuclear research facilities remain well-maintained and operational, the monitor site 38 North revealed this week.

Citing images taken in December, the site’s analysts say facilities at the Yongbyon Nuclear Scientific Research Center do not appear to be currently in use, apart from a uranium enrichment plant. Enriched uranium features more unstable molecules, which emit radiation and can be used to fuel nuclear energy plants and make nuclear warheads.

‘Commercial satellite imagery of North Korea’s Yongbyon Nuclear Scientific Research Center from December 2018 indicates that while the site remains operational and is still well maintained, the main facilities do not appear to be operating,’ write analysts Frank V. Pabian and Jack Liu. ‘The one possible exception is the Uranium Enrichment Plant (UEP), although if it is operating, in what capacity remains unclear.’

One of the clearest signs that the site is being properly maintained is the absence of snow from two of the main gas centrifuges, although this could be merely a result of exposure to sun...”

# NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

## **Iran official: We never advocated Israel’s destruction**

January 16, 2019 -- *WND.com* reports: “A number of Iranian officials have stated in recent years that one of the

prime objectives of its radical Islamic regime is to destroy Israel.

Now, however, one Iranian official insists the country’s leaders have been misunderstood.

Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif said in a recent interview that the remarks were merely an affirmation that ‘Israel would eventually disappear if it continued its present policy.’

But ‘Zarif’s claim is a blatant lie,’ said the *Middle East Media Research Institute*. ‘The various Iranian regime governments have consistently and explicitly presented the destruction of Israel as an ideological and practical goal of the Islamic Revolution.’

The comments from Zarif came during a Dec. 23, 2018, interview with the French weekly *Le Point*.

The interviewer, in response to Zarif’s claim, quoted a statement made by former Iranian president Ahmadinejad at the U.N. against Israel... **(Iran has a long history of calling for the destruction of Israel – It will never happen. Almighty God has stated: “...I will give them [Israel] an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off” – Isaiah 56:5. Everlasting means everlasting. God promised to Abraham in Genesis 22:17: “...in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore...” “And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt; To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou art, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an inheritance, as it is this day. Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the Lord he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else. Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, for ever” – Deuteronomy 4:37 – 40.)**

### **Rouhani: The jihad of the Palestinians must continue**

**January 2, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: “Iranian President Hassan Rouhani on Tuesday said that ‘resistance and fighting the usurper Zionist regime’ is the only way for Palestinians to gain their rights.

He made the comments during a meeting in Tehran with Ziad al-Nakhala, head of the Islamic Jihad terrorist organization.

‘The jihad of the Palestinians must continue until the Zionist enemy is surrendered to the rights of the Palestinian nation,’ said Rouhani, according to a report on the Iranian presidency’s website.

‘With the help of the new authorities of the White House, the Zionist Regime is seeking to dominate the entire region and Palestine is a part of this plan,’ he charged.

He further claimed that ‘the Israelis have never accepted the rights of the Palestinians and therefore, the only way is to fight and resist.’ ...” **(President Rouhani does not know his history, or the Qur’an – “And [mention, O Muhammad], when Moses said to his people, “O my people, remember the favor of Allah [God] upon you when He appointed among you prophets and made you possessors and gave you that which He had not given anyone among the worlds. O my people, enter the Holy Land which Allah has assigned to you and do not turn back and [thus] become losers.” — Quran, Surah Al-Ma’idah 5:20-21. And he does not know the Bible — Genesis 15:18 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 in Joshua 1:4 we read: “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.” These verses encompass all of the land modern Israel currently possesses, plus all of the land of the Palestinians (the West Bank and Gaza), plus some of Egypt and Syria, plus all of Jordan, plus some of Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Israel currently possesses only a fraction of the land God has promised. See the next two reports.)**

### **Abbas: This is our land, the martyrs are heroes**

**January 1, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: “Palestinian Authority (PA) chairman Mahmoud Abbas said on Monday that the U.S. decision to transfer its embassy to Jerusalem will not harm the right of the Palestinian Arabs in Jerusalem and will not lead them to give up their principles and rights.

In a speech marking the 54th anniversary of Fatah’s armed struggle, Abbas stressed that the Palestinian Arabs would not give their consent to the Trump administration’s so-called ‘Deal of the Century’, and that they see eastern Al-Quds (Jerusalem), including the Al-Aqsa Mosque, as the capital of the Palestinian state.

In another message to the United States and Israel, Abbas stressed that the U.S. punitive measures against the Palestinians would not change their position on ‘refugee rights’ in accordance with the decisions of the international institutions, especially UN General Assembly Resolution 194.

‘The continuation of the colonialist settlement and the occupation of the land of the State of Palestine will not break our willpower, nor will it harm our resolve, because our people will not kneel but to Allah, and this is our land and holy places, and this is the land of our forefathers and grandfathers,’ he stated...”

### **Khamenei: Palestinians will establish a government in Tel Aviv**

**January 1, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: “Iran’s Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, predicted on Monday that Palestinian Arabs will eventually ‘establish a government in Tel Aviv’.

His comments, quoted in the *Tehran Times*, came during a meeting in Tehran with Ziad al-Nakhala, head of the Islamic Jihad terrorist organization. ‘Palestine will remain powerful and the

Palestinian nation's final victory will take place in near future with the grace of God,' said Khamenei.

Noting that resistance is key to victory, he added, 'As long as there is resistance, the Zionist regime's downfall and demise will continue.'

'During the past years, the Palestinian people's victory was not (to the extent) to establish a government in Tel Aviv, which that will be realized with the grace of God, but the main victory was bringing the Zionist regime to knees, a feat that Arab armies could never accomplish,' continued Khamenei...'

### **Netanyahu warns Iran: You had better leave Syria – now**

**January 15, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: "Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu warned Iran that Israel will intensify its military campaign against Iranian forces in Syria, advising the Islamic republic to withdraw from the war-torn country immediately.

Speaking at the swearing-in ceremony of the IDF's 22nd Chief of Staff, Aviv Kochavi, in Tel Aviv Tuesday, Netanyahu responded to Iran's claims on Monday that it does not maintain an armed presence in Syria.

'Iran does not have a military base and military presence in Syria and was present at the request of the Syrian government for advisory mission and fighting the terrorists,' claimed Iranian foreign ministry spokesman Bahrem Qasemi, adding that Iranian officers in Syria were merely there to 'advise' the Syrian regime.

Netanyahu mocked the claim, offering to 'advise' the Iranian government on its deployment in Syria.

'Yesterday I heard the Iranian foreign ministry spokesman saying 'Iran has no military presence in Syria, we only advise them',' said the Israeli premier.

'So let me advise them — get out of there fast, because we'll continue our forceful policy of attacking, as we promised and are doing, fearlessly and relentlessly,'

Netanyahu continued..." **(Iran will be blotted out when Russia, China, and Islamic nations fight Israel and her allies during Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. The battle is described in Ezekiel 39:1 – 5: "...thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel: And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured..."**

Soon the war of wars will arrive from the North and East [Russia and China] – Daniel 11:44. The battle is described in Ezekiel 38:1 – 5: "...the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief [Russian] prince of Meshech and Tubal: [Moscow and Tubal, or Tubalsk – Southwest of the Russian capital]: And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:" See the next two reports.)

### **Iran: We don't have a military presence in Syria**

**January 15, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: "Iran on Monday dismissed claims by Israeli officials that Israel attacked thousands of Iranian targets in Syria, denying the Islamic Republic even has a presence in Syria.

'The Zionist War Ministry's comments are baseless, false, misleading, and an attempt to justify the failures of the

regime in the region,' said Bahrem Qasemi, a spokesman for the Iranian Foreign Ministry, according to the IRNA news agency.

He added that the forces of the 'resistance' stand against the bullying of this regime, and 'these are the Zionist regime's lies, exaggeration, bluff, and the creation of a psychological warfare to meet their ends.'

'Iran does not have a military base and military presence in Syria and was present at the request of the Syrian government for advisory mission and fighting the terrorists,' claimed Qasemi. He argued that the victories of the Syrian army have caused the Zionists to be angry, resulting in their claims..."

### **Israel may intensify air campaign against Iranian army, PM warns**

**January 13, 2019 -- Israel National News** reports: "Israeli Premier Binyamin Netanyahu said his country was prepared to escalate its attacks on Iranian military forces deployed in Syria, if necessary, to prevent Iran from entrenching itself in the war-torn country.

Netanyahu met with IDF soldiers stationed in northern Israel Sunday afternoon, as part of Operation Northern Shield, which was launched last month to locate and destroy cross-border terror tunnels built by Hezbollah from southern Lebanon into Israeli territory. IDF Deputy Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir joined the Prime Minister during the tour, as did IDF northern command chief Gen. Yoel Strick and other army top brass.

During the tour Sunday, Netanyahu said the IDF was prepared to intensify its ongoing campaign against Iran's Quds Force in Syria.

'Israel struck an Iranian weapons depot at the Damascus International Airport. This is part of our policy and determined efforts to prevent Iran from establishing itself militarily in Syria. If need be, we will intensify our attacks.'..."