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"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**

#### Judge: LGBT law forcing Christians to violate beliefs is no threat to churches

July 21, 2021 -- WND.com reports: "A judge in Virginia has given his opinion that a state law that has forced churches to censor their beliefs on marriage, sexuality and gender from their own websites under the threat of huge fines is not inflicting any damage on those institutions.

A report from *Just the News* has outlined the recent claim from Judge James Plowman of Loudoun County, in a case brought by Calvary Road Baptist Church, Community Fellowship Church, Community Christian Academy and Care Net, a ministry.

They had to remove their own biblical beliefs from their websites because of the threat from a state law that is charged with violating the Virginia Bill of Rights and the state Religious Freedom Restoration Act by forcing ministries to violate their beliefs.

The law allows no exemption from its LGBT mandates for religious organizations.

The state is threatening \$100,000 fines per violation as well as 'unlimited compensatory and punitive damages,' the churches have confirmed..." (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. In 2016 New York City released a list of 31 genders – in 2014 Facebook listed 58 gender options - in 2018, Tumblr has a list of 112 genders. A recent poll of British adults believe that people should not only be able to choose their gender, but their age, race, and even species. Will this madness ever end? Timothy 3 states: 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. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith. But they shall

proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as their's also was. But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse. deceiving, and being deceived. But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.)

### Shock: Americans ditch biblical worldview for 'fake Christianity'

**July 7, 2021 --** *WND.com* reports: "American Christianity has fallen. Thanks to cultural corrosion and a

lack of biblical literacy, a new 'fake Christianity' has raked the dry ground of the American church.

This counterfeit religion is moralistic therapeutic deism, a worldview that has quickly gained prominence and given many Americans a theology that looks nothing like historical Christianity, despite what they may claim.

George Barna, director of research at Arizona Christian University, said MTD — or 'watered-down, feelgood, fake Christianity' - is 'the most popular worldview in the United States today,' according to *Christianity* Daily. A recent poll conducted by ACU found that 38 percent of adults hold this view..." (Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord: And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the Lord, and shall not find it. - Amos 8:11-12. There is a famine of the Word of God in America, a famine caused by pastors who as Dr. Van Impe often stated "Preach little sermonettes that create Christianettes. There is no substance to their messages. Hadden Robinson, author of Biblical Preaching: The Development and Delivery of Expository Messages was lecturing his students on preparation for preaching and said "If it's a mist in the pulpit, it'll be a fog in the pews." Paul wrote to Timothy: I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from

the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry — II Timothy 4:1-5. Pastors, teach your people!)

### India's Christians are facing an 'existential threat' – Open Doors

July 2, 2021 -- ChristianToday.com reports: "Hindu nationalism is driving a wave of violent persecution against Christians in India, human rights group Open Doors has warned.

Its new report, 'Destructive Lies', provides disturbing accounts of widespread violence and intimidation, with Christians at risk of harassment, rape and murder.

The report warns that Christians in India are now facing an 'existential threat', with the persecution being blamed on violent Hindu nationalists who subscribe to Hindutva, a form of nationalism that defines Indian identity solely in terms of Hinduism and sees all faiths and philosophies not indigenous to India as 'un-Indian' intruders into the nation.

In one shocking incident, a woman gave birth to a stillborn baby after being violently kicked in the stomach by a Hindu nationalist mob.

In another attack, a labourer was entrapped, beaten by a mob and then left to die in a cell by police..." (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 ve 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. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning" - John 15:18-27. See the next report.)

### Chinese Concentration Camp Survivor: I Saw People Tortured for Denying Xi Jinping Is God

July 8, 2021 -- Breitbart.com reports: "Zumrat Dawut, a Uyghur woman who endured two months in a Chinese concentration camp, told Breitbart News in an interview Monday that she witnessed Communist Party officers torture and disappear people who refused to accept dictator Xi Jinping as their god.

Dawut escaped China's western Xinjiang region, which Uyghurs refer to as East Turkestan, in 2019 and relocated with her Pakistani husband and their children to Virginia. Prior to her escape, however — for which she credits her husband's non-Chinese citizenship — police forced her into one of the over 1,200 concentration camps established throughout East Turkestan for Uyghurs, Kazakhs, Kyrgyz people, and other Muslim ethnic minorities. Dawut has testified repeatedly to her experience in that camp despite stating that Communist Party authorities forced her to vow to renounce Islam and never speak of her time in the camp again..."

## **NEWS FROM RUSSIA**

### Putin warns of 'lethal' strikes at Russian warship parade

July 26, 2021 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "President Vladimir Putin said Sunday that Russia's navy was capable of delivering lethal strikes against underwater and aerial enemy targets during a parade of warships in the port city of Saint Petersburg.

The Russian leader's boast comes days after military officials announced tests of advanced new weapons, some of which come from an arsenal Putin has described as 'invincible.'

'The Russian navy today has everything it needs to guarantee the protection of our country and our national interests,' he said.

'We can detect underwater, surface or aerial enemies and target them if a lethal strike is necessary,' Putin said according to a broadcast on state television..." (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 three reports.)

#### With cutting-edge hypersonics, Russia leads in new arms race

July 26, 2021 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "The Avangard, the Kinzhal and now the Zircon — Russia is leading the race to develop a range of new hypersonic weapons that President Vladimir Putin has dubbed 'invincible'.

Moscow's latest step came this week with another successful test of the Zircon, a ship-launched hypersonic missile.

Fired from one of Russia's most powerful warships, the Admiral Gorshkov frigate, a Zircon travelling at seven times the speed of sound flew more than 350 kilometres (over 215 miles) to hit a target on the coast of the Barents Sea.

If more tests are successful, the Zircon looks set to join Avangard hypersonic glide vehicles and the air-launched Kinzhal (Dagger) missiles in Russia's arsenal of hypersonic weapons.

Hypersonics are able to travel at velocities of at least five times the speed of sound and manoeuvre in mid-flight, making them much harder to track and intercept than traditional projectiles.

And experts agree that — for now at least — Russia has an edge in their development..."

### Russia unveils stealth fighter jet to compete with F-35s

July 21, 2021 -- SpaceDaily.com reports: "Russia on Tuesday unveiled its new Sukhoi stealth fighter jet designed to compete with the US F-35 and capable of striking six targets simultaneously.

Dubbed 'The Checkmate', the plane was first shown to a reportedly 'pleased' President Vladimir Putin before the launch at a biennial airshow outside Moscow.

Reports first surfaced that the jet was being manufactured in May last year.

According to the launch video it was developed 'in record time'.

Few details had previously emerged about the plane that was developed by defence and technology giant Rostec and the state-controlled United Aircraft Corporation..."

### S-500 Prometheus: 'Killer of F-35' Has Undergone Combat Missile Trials and is Coming Soon

**July 14, 2021 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The new generation S-500 Prometheus air defence system developed by the Russian arms company Almaz-Antey, the same group that produced the S-300 and S-400, has successfully completed a

series of tests including combat missile launches, according to the Commander of the Missile Defence Troops of the Russian Air Force, Maj. Gen. Sergei Babakov.

Speaking to the Russian news outlet *Krasnaya Zvezda* last week, Major General Babakov elaborated that the S-500 has been developed as a completely new generation of anti-aircraft systems aimed at taking down medium-range ballistic missiles, and, if necessary, intercontinental ballistic missiles in the final stage of their flight path. In addition to this, the S-500 is capable of destroying hypersonic aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles, according to him.

'The S-500 air defence system is capable of destroying hypersonic weapons of all modifications, including in near space, in addition to aerodynamic and ballistic targets, which makes it possible to say with confidence that this system is unique', Maj. Gen. Babakov said.

Russia's new defence weapon can reportedly engage enemy ballistic missiles at a range of up to 600 kilometres and aircraft at about 500 kilometres..."

## Russian general: We intercepted multiple IDF strikes on Syria

July 30, 2021 -- YnetNews.com reports: "A senior Moscow official claimed Sunday that Russian air defenses had intercepted at least three Israeli airstrikes in Syria over the past week.

General Vadim Kulit, deputy chief of the Russian Center for Reconciliation of the Opposing Parties in Syria, told the Russian news agency *TASS* that two Israeli fighter jets were intercepted while attacking targets near Damascus early Sunday.

'From 05:40am to 05:54am, two F-16 tactical fighter jets of the Israeli Air Force, which stayed outside Syria's airspace, delivered a strike, from the southwestern direction, with two

guided missiles at facilities in the settlement of Seidat Zeinab in the Damascus governorate,' he told TASS, adding that both missiles were downed by the Russian-made Buk-M2E systems of the Syria air defense units.

Contrary to previous strikes attributed to Israel, Syrian authorities did not report the attack.

However, the UK-based war monitor Syrian Observatory for Human Rights did report that strong blasts were heard and smoke was seen south of Damascus. The watchdog did not attribute the explosions to Israel..." (Russia is warming up for Armageddon. Soon a peace program will be contracted for the Middle East nations - Daniel 11: 21, 24. It will be a peace contract for seven years but broken after 42 months - Daniel 9:27. Russia is the nation that then says: ... I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates, To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations... - Ezekiel 38:11, 12. See the next two reports.)

### Report: Russia intends to arm Syria against Israeli strikes

July 27, 2021 -- YnetNews.com reports: "Russia intends to curtail Israel's military operations in Syria by supplying the regime of President Bashar al-Assad with stronger air defenses, a report claimed on Saturday.

The anonymously sourced report by the London-based Ashara Al-Awsat cited a 'well-informed' Russian official as saving that the Kremlin has 'run out of patience' with Israeli air raids in Syria. Moreover, Moscow believes this move wouldn't encounter stiff opposition from the administration of President Joe Biden, as Russian officials have been given the impression that Washington doesn't approve of Israeli strikes either. Since the Syrian civil war broke out in 2011, Israel has routinely carried out raids in Syria, mostly targeting government positions and allied Iranian and Lebanese Hezbollah forces and weapons convoys.

Israel rarely confirms strikes in Syria, however, the IDF has said it hit about 50 targets in the war-ravaged country last year, without providing details..."

#### Russia says its air defense systems in Syria intercepted Israeli missiles

July 26, 2021 -- The Times of Israel reports: "Russian anti-aircraft artillery systems in Syria intercepted a number of missiles launched by Israel in airstrikes this week in an area southeast of Aleppo, according to a Russian military official.

The strikes were reported to have killed senior Hezbollah and Iranian fighters. Vadim Kulit, deputy chief of the

Russian Center for Reconciliation of the Opposing Parties in Syria, told the Russian news agency TASS on Tuesday that Israeli fighter jets fired eight guided missiles on Monday, seven of which

were intercepted by Russia's Pantsyr-S and Buk-M2 systems, both selfpropelled, medium-range surface-to-air missile and anti-aircraft systems..."

#### Putin Says Time Will Come When He Names Possible Successor

July 1, 2021 -- Voice of America News reports: "President Vladimir Putin told Russians on Wednesday that the time would come when he would name his possible successor in the Kremlin, but he said the choice would ultimately lie with voters.

Putin, 68, has been in power as president or prime minister since the turn of the century. His current six-year term in the Kremlin is due to end in 2024, and his remarks are being closely parsed for clues as to whether he plans to extend his rule.

Russia changed its constitution last year at Putin's behest allowing him to run for two more six-year terms in the Kremlin. and potentially remain president until 2036..." (Vladimir Putin has been in power as either the Prime Minister or President of Russia since 1999. With the change to the Russian constitution in 2020, he has in essence, set himself up as ruler for life in Russia, much as Xi Jinping is set to be ruler for life in China. Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39 predict the union of Russia and China [Revelation 16:12; Daniel 11:44] as leaders in the battle for the greatest war in history called Armageddon - Revelation 16:16. Revelation 9:14 - 18 pictures its upcoming disastrous

## results.)

# SIGNS IN THE SUN, MOON AND STARS

### War in Space is Coming

June 30, 2021 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "A new arms race is unfolding among spacefaring nations. Space experts have been telling us about contested space for the last several years. The number of active satellites is exploding from about 1,000 a few years ago to an expected

50,000+ within 10 years. The sky is indeed getting very congested.

These satellites provide worldwide communications, GPS navigation, weather forecasting and planetary surveillance. Military organizations rely on many of these satellites in support of modern warfare.

The three main contenders in space are

the U.S., China and Russia. It is entirely possible that the ongoing power struggle may ignite a conflict that could cripple the entire space-based infrastructure while reducing the capabilities of warfighter organizations..." (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. — Luke 21:25 — 27. See the next four reports.)

### Spacecom Leader Discusses the Value of Partnerships in Defending Space

**July 28, 2021 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "Army Gen. James H. Dickinson said today that the role of the Space Force is to organize, man, train and equip space forces, while Spacecom employs those forces in operations.

Both Spacecom and the Space Force were created because of the threat from adversaries in the space domain and the need to protect and defend space assets from those adversaries, he said.

Dickinson noted that the mission of Spacecom is to deter a war beginning or extending into space, and, should deterrence fail, Spacecom is prepared to fight and win with the help of the other combatant commands, allies and partners.

'Our adversaries have militarized space. And in response, we have established the structures necessary to protect and defend our assets against those capabilities,' he said..."

# Space Force chief seeks European alliances to counter threats

**July 27, 2021 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The United States seeks partners to

counter threats in space from China and Russia, U.S. Space Force chief Gen. John Raymond said during a European trip.

Raymond met with representatives from Luxemburg, Spain, the Netherlands and Belgium on Thursday, seeking to build relationships leading to cooperation of allies in the space domain.

Since the Space Force's creation in 2019, space is regarded by the Pentagon as a military responsibility and space-related missions have been shifted from the Air Force to the new branch.

'We have seen what China and Russia have done in developing a suite of capabilities designed to deny our access to space,' Raymond said.

'The space domain shifts from a peaceful, benign domain to [one] that is much more congested, much more competitive and much more contested. Partners are important to us, and there are opportunities for like-minded nations,' he said..."

### Britain supports U.S. plan for deep space radar station

**July 20, 2021 --** *SpaceDaily.com* reports: "A U.S. Space Force plan to position a system in Britain to monitor spacecraft up to 22,400 miles from earth drew the approval of the Royal Air Force chief.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Wigston, in the United States to examine the plans, said Britain is 'very interested' in hosting an element of the Deep Space Advanced Radar Capability, under development by the Space and Missile

Systems Center of the U.S. Space Force. The project, known as DARC, would double the range of detection of objects in space, with an array of 10 to 15 parabolic antennas, or large satellite dishes, covering about 0.4 square miles. Each dish would be about 50 feet in diameter, with additional DARC locations in Texas and Australia.

It was announced in May that the USSF will seek a request for proposals to develop prototypes of deep space radar sensors that can monitor satellites and space debris in geostationary orbits..."

### Germany becomes latest NATO member to establish military space command

July 15, 2021 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "During the Cold War, the U.S. tested a slew of anti-satellite weapons, including detonating a nuclear weapon in space, which damaged a Soviet satellite. However, only recently has Washington worried that space was becoming militarized – now that other nations are developing similar capabilities.

On Tuesday, Germany became the latest NATO power to inaugurate a separate space command, following the United States' delimitation of space as a warfighting domain in need of a separate branch of the armed forces dedicated to preserving U.S. supremacy in it..."

## THE KINGS OF THE EAST

## China becoming 'evil empire," warns U.S. ex-VP Pence

**July 15, 2021 --** *SinoDaily.com* reports: "Former U.S. vice president Mike Pence warned Wednesday that China was on its way to becoming an 'evil empire' posing a greater threat to America than the Cold War-era Soviet Union.

Former president Donald Trump's

deputy, believed to be mulling his own 2024 White House bid, also urged current occupant Joe Biden to confront China more forcefully on multiple fronts including the origin of the coronavirus and the Asian giant's 'neocolonialism.'

'The Chinese Communist Party is the greatest threat to our prosperity, security and values on the face of the Earth,' Pence said during a speech at the Heritage Foundation think tank.

'China may not yet be an evil empire, but it's working hard every day to become one,' he added..." (II Timothy 3:1 – This know also, that in the last days perilous [dangerous] times shall come. Soon the kings of the East [Orient] will move into the Middle

East – the second invasion of Israel after Russia's defeat. America will be involved against North Korea as part of "Tarshish" – Ezekiel 38:16.)

### Xi Jinping Vows to Bash the Heads of 'Foreign Bullies,' 'Utterly Defeat' Taiwan

July 2, 2021 -- Breitbart.com reports: "Communist dictator Xi Jinping delivered a violent hour-long speech on Thursday to celebrate the 100th anniversary of China's Communist Party, vowing that anyone seeking to liberate the Chinese people would have their 'heads bashed bloody' and threatening sovereign Taiwan with 'reunification.'

Under Xi's rule, Chinese officials have organized hundreds of events nationwide to celebrate the anniversary and published attempts at pop culture homages to the Party, like a 15-minute hip-hop song featuring 100 communist rappers. Officials do not appear to be implementing any social distancing protocol or requiring masks for attendees despite the tight quarters in stadiums and other public venues that people appear to be filling. China is the origin nation of the Chinese coronavirus pandemic, has struggled to convince citizens to receive coronavirus vaccine doses, and continues to endure waves of case surges in its major cities that have resulted in significant disturbances to public life..." (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 three reports.)

### Japan Talks of Defending Taiwan Against China Aggression

July 27, 2021 -- Voice of America News reports: "Although Japan has in recent months hinted it would aid in any Taiwanese defense against China, it would only help defend the island from Chinese attack if called on by the U.S. or if the conflict affected outlying islands under Japanese control, analysts say.

China claims sovereignty over Taiwan and has not ruled out the use of force to bring the island under its control.

Tokyo would join a U.S.-led defense of Taiwan because of its historical alliance with Washington, including the 70-year-old Japan-U.S. Security Treaty, experts say, or if China struck in a way that threatened Japan's islets, such as Yonaguni, that are near Taiwan's east coast..."

### UK warns China as dispatches carrier group to Japan

July 21, 2021 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "Britain announced Tuesday its most powerful navy task force in a generation will visit five ports in Japan, warning China against any threats to freedom of navigation in the region's tense seas.

A strike group of Royal Navy ships spearheaded by the giant new aircraft carrier HMS Queen Elizabeth is en route to the Asia-Pacific region.

After exercises with allied navies, it will pay visits to five Japanese ports in September, officials said during a visit by Defence Secretary Ben Wallace to Tokyo.

In addition, the offshore patrol vessels HMS Spey and HMS Tamar will start a permanent deployment to the region next month, supported by ships from Australia, Japan and Singapore.

China claims sovereignty over most of the South China Sea, angering its regional neighbours and triggering protests further afield including from the U.S. government..."

### China to step up its involvement in Israel-PA conflict

**July 16, 2021** -- *Israel National News* reports: "China plans to step up its involvement in mediation efforts to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian Arab conflict, Foreign Minister Wang Yi said on Thursday, according to *i24NEWS*.

'The past and the present have proved time and again that the two-state solution is the only viable way to resolve the Palestinian question as it represents international consensus, fairness and justice,' Wang was quoted as having said on Zoom during a virtual Palestinian-Israeli Peace Symposium convened by the Chinese Foreign Ministry..."

# China threatens to nuke Japan over Taiwan in video played on CCP-sanctioned channel

July 20, 2021 -- FoxNews.com reports: "The Chinese Communist Party aired a video in which it warned Japan of a nuclear response and 'full-scale war' if the island nation interferes in China's handling of Taiwan.

The video, which appeared on a channel approved by the CCP, singles out Japan as the one exception to China's policy to not use nuclear weapons against non-nuclear powers.

'We will use nuclear bombs first,' the video said. 'We will use nuclear bombs continuously. We will do this until Japan declares unconditional surrender for the second time.'..." (Nuclear war is part of the battle of the ages – see Revelation 9:18. Other prophesied texts are predicted in Psalm 97:3; Isaiah 66:15; Ezekiel 20:47: ... Thus saith the

Lord God; Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched... Study also Zephaniah 1:8; Malachi 4:1; and Revelation 8:7. See the next two reports.)

### Report that China building new ICBM silos 'concerning'

**July 2, 2021 --** *SpaceWar.com* reports: "The United States expressed concern on Thursday over a report that China is building more than 100 new silos for intercontinental ballistic missiles.

The Washington Post, citing a study of commercial satellite images by a California-based group, reported on Thursday that the silos were being built in a desert near the northwestern city of Yumen.

The James Martin Center for

Nonproliferation Studies in Monterey said the 119 construction sites in Gansu province were similar to existing Chinese launch facilities for nuclear-tipped ballistic missiles.

State Department spokesman Ned Price was asked about the report on Thursday. 'I think what is fair to say is that these reports and other developments suggest that the PRC's (People's Republic of China) nuclear arsenal will grow more quickly, and to a higher level, than perhaps previously anticipated,' he said. 'This buildup, it is concerning,' Price said. 'It raises questions about the PRC's intent..."

### U.S. Concern Over China Nukes Buildup After New Silos Report

**July 28, 2021** -- *Voice of America News* reports: "The Pentagon and Republican congressmen on Tuesday aired fresh

concerns about China's buildup of its nuclear forces after a new report saying Beijing was building 110 more missile silos.

An American Federation of Scientists report on Monday said satellite images showed China was building a new field of silos near Hami in the eastern part of its Xinjiang region.

The report came weeks after another on the construction of about 120 missile silos in Yumen, a desert area about 380 kilometers (240 miles) to the southeast.

'This is the second time in two months the public has discovered what we have been saying all along about the growing threat the world faces and the veil of secrecy that surrounds it,' the U.S. Strategic Command said in tweet linked to a *New York Times* article on the AFS report..."

### NEWS FROM ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Palestinian Terror Youth Summer Camps Begin: Military Training, Indoctrination, Planning 'Demise of all Jews, Israel'

June 30, 2021 -- Breitbart.com reports: "Hamas' military wing, the Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades, as well as the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, have opened registration recently for their annual summer camps for Gaza youth, where children as young as nine are trained in marksmanship, kidnapping, and tunnel warfare, as they're encouraged to become next-generation terrorists.

This summer's camps, which begin on Tuesday and are designed for young primary school students as well as college- and even post-college age Gaza residents, are dubbed 'Sword of Jerusalem,' after Hamas' recent conflict with the Jewish state, which began after the U.S.-designated terror group launched over 4,000 rockets at civilian population centers throughout the Jewish state last month.

Many camps carry anti-Israel themes and are named after terrorists who

murdered Israelis in the past..." (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.)

# Nasrallah: There are no people in Israel, only settlers and occupiers

July 6, 2021 -- The Jerusalem Post reports: "There are no people in the Israeli entity, they are all occupiers and settlers,' said Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah during a speech on Monday afternoon.

The speech was delivered at the opening of a conference titled 'Palestine is Victorious,' convened in Lebanon in order to renew media discourse and manage the conflict with Israel.

Nasrallah did not specify whether Arab Israelis were also considered occupiers and settlers.

With tensions rising between the U.S. and pro-Iranian militias in Syria and Iraq, Nasrallah stressed on Monday that Hezbollah is 'facing the American hegemony' in Iraq and Syria..." (... when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build an house

for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever...And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever - II Samuel 7:12, 16. I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant, Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations - Psalms 89:3-4. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end—Luke 1:32, 33. Jerusalem is the Eternal Capital of Israel, and the Lord Jesus Christ will reign from David's Throne in Jerusalem for ever and ever. See the next report.)

# Palestinian Authority official: No relation between Israel and Jews

**July 9, 2021 --** *Israel National News* reports: "Palestinian Authority official Mohammad Shtayyeh explained this week in a speech to members of the Fatah party how he thinks the narrative against Israel should be presented.

He asked those present to engineer the public consciousness in a way that would clarify the difference between the Jewish people and the State of Israel. 'To fight the narrative, one has to understand that clearly, the Hebrews, the Jews, and the Israelis are not the same thing.' said Shtayyeh in a video translated by Mechon Mamre.

He bases his explanations on various Islamic commentaries on the Bible. 'Israel is Jacob. The children of Israel, they are the children of Jacob; 1300 years separate his children from the prophet Moses, making the Israelites and the Jews two different entities.'..."

#### Islamic Jihad threatens escalation of violence from Gaza

**July 27, 2021** -- *Israel National News* reports: "The Islamic Jihad terrorist organization has threatened that it

intends to escalate the situation on the Gaza border.

Tariq Salami, a spokesman for the Islamic Jihad movement, told the *Ma'an* news agency that the Israeli attack last night in retaliation to the continued launching of arson balloons was a 'failed attempt to improve the army's image' after Operation Guardian of the Walls.

He said, 'Israel is trying to impose new rules of the game, but it will not succeed because the resistance organizations are monitoring its crimes and for them all options are open to thwart Israeli actions that violate the rights of the Palestinian people.'

Salami added that the terrorist organizations had imposed rules of the game in the last round of confrontation and that the last word would be theirs..." (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 throughly 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 ve 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 report.)

# Israel warns U.S.: Iran approaching nuclear weapons capability

July 26, 2021 -- Israel National News reports: "Israel recently warned the U.S. that Iran is approaching the point of becoming a nuclear threshold state, that is a country with operational capability to build nuclear weapons, Kan 11 News reported on Sunday.

According to the report, the message was conveyed in several conversations of senior Israeli officials, including Foreign Minister Yair Lapid and Defense Minister Benny Gantz, with their American counterparts.

The report further stated that in internal discussions, Prime Minister Naftali Bennett said that the situation is that Iran is actually accelerating its actions on the nuclear issue.

A senior diplomat said, 'Something needs to happen regarding the negotiations with Iran. This 'limbo' cannot continue a time when Iran is advancing rapidly to the point where it is a threshold state.'

Iran has gradually scaled back its compliance with the 2015 deal in response to former U.S. President Donald Trump's withdrawal from the agreement in 2018, but has been holding indirect talks with the Biden administration on a return to the agreement..."