

“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

Health officials say Christian beliefs ‘incompatible with human dignity’

December 6, 2021 -- *WND.com* reports: “Officials for the North Bristol National Health Service Trust in the United Kingdom are claiming the Christian beliefs of a former employee are ‘incompatible with human dignity,’ especially when they touch on Islam and marriage.

The claims arise as part of their defense against a lawsuit brought on behalf of Brian Walker, 66, who has alleged discrimination, victimization and harassment on the part of NHS officials who say his Christian faith fails to qualify as religious or philosophical beliefs under the Equality Act.

Christian Concern is reporting on the case brought by the Christian Legal Center against the health officials for constructive dismissal when Walker resigned because of a ‘totalitarian’ investigation of him.

Health officials treated Walker as a ‘terrorist,’ the report explained, forcing him out of work even though he was pressured by the need to support his disabled children...” **(Christianity incompatible with human dignity? What utter nonsense. Christianity teaches the *Imago Dei* – that man is**

created in the image of God: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them – Genesis 1:27. Theologian Nicholas Wolterstorff makes the case that the idea of human rights came from Christian reflection on the core belief that God created humans in His image, or the “Imago Dei.” This is a central Christian tenet that means every person has worth and dignity as image-bearers of God.)

Most Americans, Many Christians Don’t Believe Jesus Existed before Being Born

December 13, 2021 -- *ChristianHeadlines.com* reports: “A new study from Lifeway Research found that most Americans believe that Jesus was born in Bethlehem more than 2,000 years ago, but less than half believe that Jesus existed prior to being born on that first Christmas.

‘Most Americans consider Jesus’ birth a historical fact,’ said Scott McConnell, executive director of Lifeway Research. ‘It can be easy to only evaluate Jesus like you would any other historical figure—thinking about when He lived and what He did. However, the Bible also describes Jesus in a way that one must evaluate who you believe He was. Most Americans believe His origin was

from God the Father, but half as many believe He existed before His birth.’

According to *Christianity Today*, Most Americans (80 percent) agree Jesus Christ is the Son of God the Father, while 10 percent disagree and 10 percent aren’t sure.

However, the study also found that many Americans are not sure if Jesus existed before his birth or are unsure about the Trinity. About 40 percent said God’s son existed before the birth in Bethlehem, and about 32 percent said they disagreed with that. About 28 percent said they weren’t sure...” (...

when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth? – Luke 18:8. The article, and the one that follows, makes one wonder what the answer to that question would be. 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.

Thankfully, God always has a faithful remnant. In I Kings 19 following the victory over the prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel, Elijah fled to the

wilderness after hearing a threat from Jezebel. We read: *...he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers. And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. And the angel of the Lord came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God. And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah? And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice. And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah? And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and*

they seek my life, to take it away. And the Lord said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room. And it shall come to pass, that him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay. Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him. – I Kings 19:4-18 [Emphasis mine]. Thank God for His faithful remnant. See the next report.)

The Number of Americans Who Identify as Christian Has Fallen

December 21, 2021 -- ChristianHeadlines.com reports: "A new Pew Research study found that the number of American Christians has fallen to 63 percent.

In 2007, about 78 percent of U.S. adults said they identified as Christian.

Those who identified as religiously unaffiliated jumped from 16 percent in 2007 to 29 percent in 2021.

While Christians once outnumbered religious 'nones' 5 to 1, 'Christians now outnumber religious 'nones' by a ratio of a little more than 2-to-1,' the report stated.

The percentage of Americans who identify as Catholic has fallen from 24 percent in 2007 to 21 percent in 2021. The steepest fall, however, came from Protestantism, which fell from 52 percent to 40 percent..."

30 million Christians in danger as 'anti-Christian hysteria' sweeps world's 2nd largest country

December 23, 2021 -- WND.com reports: "Persecution against Christians is on the rise in India — with Christians suffering communal boycotts, physical abuse and legal harassment.

Empowered by vaguely-defined state

anti-conversion laws, anti-Christian mobs in many parts of the country scour through villages, seeking Christians to harm, churches to storm, Christian schools to attack and Christian literature to burn, according to a Wednesday report from the *New York Times*.

'Christians are being suppressed, discriminated against and persecuted at rising levels like never before in India,' International Christian Concern advocacy director Matias Perttula told the outlet. 'And the attackers run free, every time.'

In some cases, according to the *Times*, authorities assist in these anti-Christian attacks..." (Great persecution will soon overtake most Christians in a majority of 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; 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. – John 15:18 – 21; ...When he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held. — Revelation 6:9; ...I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and*

reigned with Christ a thousand years.
– Revelation 20:4; and *Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.* – Revelation 2:10. See the next report.)

Report: Anti-Christian Hate Crimes in Europe Jump by 70% in One Year

December 10, 2021 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A Christian persecution watchdog group released a major report this week chronicling a disturbing spike in anti-Christian hate crimes in Europe. The Vienna-based Observatory on Intolerance against Christians in Europe (OIDAC) revealed that hate crimes targeting Christians in Europe rose by a startling 70 percent between 2019

and 2020, with the highest frequency occurring in France and Germany. OIDAC’s ‘Top 5 – Report 2019/2020,’ the product of two years of research, was issued to mark the International Day of Human Rights celebrated on December 10. The report shows ‘a multitude of incidents and examples of hate crimes as vandalism of churches and other threats to religious freedom in five European countries where it identified the most severe challenges for Christians.’...”

THE RELIGION OF PEACE?

“Christians, we will slit your throats on the Koran”

December 14, 2021 -- *Israel National News* reports: “On Wednesday, December 8th, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, about thirty Catholic faithful are attacked in the street and threatened with death. ‘Kouffars’ (disbelievers) and ‘it is not your home’, the attackers shouted, reports *Le Figaro*.

Note: We are not in Pakistan, but in the parish of Fontenelles, in Nanterre, the city once famous because the first student protest took place there on March 22, 1968 in the university of the Parisian suburb.

On Twitter, Interior Minister Gérald Darmanin condemned ‘inadmissible acts’. Jean-Marc Sertillange, deacon of the parish, said: ‘The route of just one kilometer was authorized by the prefecture’.

‘Wallah on the Koran, we will cut your throat’, they told the priest who had opened the procession...” (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.)

Nigeria: Fulani Jihadists Kill 45 Christian Farmers in ‘Barbaric’ Attack

December 23, 2021 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Jihadist Fulani terrorists killed at least 45 largely Christian Tiv farmers in central Nigeria’s Nasarawa state in recent days, Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari confirmed Tuesday.

Buhari’s spokesman issued a statement on his behalf on December 21 expressing the president’s ‘grief over the heart-wrenching murder of 45 farmers and scores injured following renewed hostilities in ... Nasarawa State.’

Armed Fulani herdsmen launched attacks on Nasarawa farmers of the Tiv ethnic group from December 17 through December 19. The violence ensued over the recent killing of a Fulani kinsman in Nasarawa, which the cattle herders blamed on local Tiv farmers, according to *Agence France-Presse (AFP)*...”

Canadian Imam Compares Wishing Merry Christmas to Congratulating Murderers, Pedophiles

December 24, 2021 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Canadian Imam Younus Kathrada in a recent sermon compared wishing people a Merry Christmas to congratulating murderers and

pedophiles, as he called on Allah (God) to ‘humiliate the infidels’ and ‘annihilate the heretics and atheists.’

In a speech delivered at the Muslim Youth of Victoria Islamic Center on Friday, radical Islamic scholar Younus Kathrada addressed the topic of holiday greetings toward non-Muslims during the Christmas season.

‘Yeah, it’s Christmas season, and so many people ask: ‘Why should I not congratulate the people on this occasion?’” he told his audience.

The Islamic cleric concluded, ‘there is no such thing as an innocent congratulation,’ before comparing such greetings to congratulating criminals and deviants.

‘Would you congratulate a fornicator? Would you congratulate a murderer? Obviously not,’ he said. ‘Would you congratulate a pedophile? Obviously not.’

‘So how then can you congratulate people for insulting Allah (God)?’ he asked...” ((Islam is a religion of hate. Sharia Law demands death penalties for (1) Daughters who have premarital sex, (2) Homosexuals – these murderers are told to drop them from the highest mountain to be sure to hear their fearful screams, (3) Apostates – these are Islamic religionists who mock Allah, Muhammad, of the Koran, (4) All infidels – non Muslim religionists. Nothing matters to these

self-proclaimed holy and righteous men. How wrong they are. It is the Muslims who will be judged by the true God for the way they committed every abominable sin wicked minds created – *“Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine; According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust”* I Timothy 1:9-11.)

Indian Police Probe Hindu Event Calling for Mass Killing of Muslims

December 27, 2021 -- *Voice of America News* reports: “Indian police said Friday they have launched an investigation into an event where Hindu hardliners called for mass killings of minority Muslims.

A speaker at the gathering earlier this month told the crowd that people should not worry about going to jail for killing Muslims, according to a video verified as genuine by *AFP*.

‘Even if just a hundred of us become soldiers and kill two million of them, we will be victorious... If you stand with this attitude only then will you able to protect sanatana dharma (an absolute

form of Hinduism),’ the woman said. The meeting in the northern holy city of Haridwar was attended by at least one member of Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

The party stands accused of — but denies — encouraging the persecution of Muslims and other minorities by hardline Hindu nationalists since coming to power in 2014.

Prominent Muslim MP Asaduddin Owaisi tweeted that the comments in the video were a ‘clear case of incitement to genocide’...” **(Genuine Christianity is the only religion of peace – “Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren” – I John 3:16.)**

A BRAVE NEW WORLD

Brave New World: Do-It-Yourself Suicide Pod May Be Ready for Swiss Market by Next Year

December 10, 2021 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A 3D-printed suicide pod may be ready for the Swiss market as early as 2022, according to its designers.

Sarco, a capsule designed to induce ‘a peaceful, even euphoric death’ through oxygen depletion, according to its website, is the brainchild of former medical doctor Philip Nitschke, described the *BBC* as having earned the nickname ‘Dr. Death’.

Nitschke, who helped people kill themselves in Australia in the 1990s, aims to ‘de-medicalise the dying process’ with the pod, the *BBC* reports, ‘remove[ing] any kind of psychiatric

review from the process and allow[ing] the individual to control the method [of suicide] themselves.’

Sarco had Daniel Huerlimann — ‘a legal expert and assistant professor at the University of St. Gallen’, according to the *BBC* — assess the legality of the pod, and he said that ‘the pod is not covered by Swiss law’ because it ‘[does] not constitute a medical device’...” **(These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren— Proverbs 6:16-19 [emphasis mine].**

Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them – Romans 1:29-32. These barbarians will soon ...be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched – Mark 9:43, 44.)

RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST

Russian state TV warns of turning America into ‘radioactive ash’

December 23, 2021 -- *WND.com* reports: “Joe Biden’s foreign policy positions have been described by experts as ‘weak’ and ‘feckless,’ and at one point former director of National

Intelligence John Ratcliffe called it a ‘surrender and retreat’ agenda.

The results have been predictable: Radical elements around the globe, from China to North Korea and back, have turned more and more belligerent. But a report from *American Military News* now has documented perhaps the

most blatant threat to date.

‘A Russian state television host threatened on Sunday that the U.S. could be ‘reduced to radioactive ash’ if it does not meet the demands laid out by Russia for deescalating tensions around Ukraine,’ the report explained.

Russia has demanded that NATO, the

North Atlantic Treaty Organization in which the U.S. plays a prominent role, must ‘roll back military deployments in eastern Europe and bar Ukraine and other post-Soviet nations from joining the alliance,’ the report said...”

(Nuclear war is coming – *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. This conflict called Armageddon is described in Revelation 9:14 – 18. See the next report.)*

Russia Threatens to Deploy Tactical Nuclear Weapons

December 15, 2021 -- *Voice of America News* reports: “A top Russian diplomat has warned that Moscow will respond ‘militarily’ and deploy tactical nuclear weapons, if NATO does not guarantee an end to its eastward expansion.

His remarks raise the stakes even higher in the confrontation between Russia and Western powers just days after U.S. President Joe Biden and Russia’s Vladimir Putin held a two-hour video conference aimed at defusing a burgeoning crisis over Russian military movements near Ukraine’s borders, where the Kremlin is estimated to have amassed around 100,000 troops.

Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov’s threat comes amid rising fears that Putin is considering a further military incursion into Ukraine in a rehash of Russia’s 2014 annexation of

the Crimean Peninsula and its seizure of a large part of the Donbas region in eastern Ukraine, bordering Russia...”

Russia-Ukraine crisis: Putin says ball in West’s court

December 23, 2021 -- *BBC.com* reports: “Russian President Vladimir Putin has called on the West to give immediate security guarantees to defuse a crisis prompted by Russia’s military build-up near Ukraine’s borders.

‘It’s you who must give us guarantees, and give them immediately, now,’ he said in his annual press conference.

Mr. Putin has demanded that NATO abandon military activity in Eastern Europe and not admit Ukraine as a member.

He has threatened military measures but denies planning to invade Ukraine.

Ukraine security officials says more than 100,000 Russian troops have been sent close to its borders, and the U.S. has threatened Mr. Putin with sanctions ‘like none he’s ever seen’ if Ukraine comes under attack...”

(Russia in Bible prophecy is the main instigator of death and suffering during Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Ezekiel chapters 38 & 39, which Dr. Van Impe 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 he 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.)*

Putin hails multiple launch test of hypersonic missile

December 25, 2021 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: “President Vladimir Putin said Friday the Russian military successfully fired a simultaneous salvo of its Zircon

hypersonic missiles, calling it ‘a big event’ for the country.

As world powers race to develop advanced weaponry, Russia has carried out a number of successful tests of its Zircon hypersonic cruise missile.

This was however the first time that Russian authorities reported a successful simultaneous launch test of several Zircon missiles.

Speaking at a government meeting on Friday, Putin said that the salvo launch of the missile had been conducted overnight.

‘The tests were conducted successfully, immaculately,’ Putin said in televised remarks.

‘This is a big event in the life of the country and a considerable step in strengthening Russia’s security and improving its defence capability,’ he added... **(Jesus said discussing events to occur just preceding His return to earth to set up His Kingdom of peace that: *there shall be great tribulation such as never was since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor never shall be again; – Matthew 24:21. Come quickly Lord Jesus – Revelation 22:21. See the next two reports.)***

U.S.-China hypersonic weapons ‘arms race’ is underway, Air Force chief says

December 1, 2021 -- *FoxNews.com* reports: “The U.S. Air Force affirmed Tuesday that a hypersonic weapons ‘arms race’ is well underway between the United States and China.

Secretary Frank Kendall told *Reuters*, ‘There is an arms race, not necessarily for increased numbers, but for increased quality.’

‘It’s an arms race that has been going on for quite some time,’ he said. ‘The Chinese have been at it very aggressively.’

Kendall’s comments came weeks after Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Mark Milley confirmed that China had conducted tests of its hypersonic weapons systems over the summer,

likening it to the ‘Sputnik moment’ of the late 1950s when the Soviet Union and the United States were competing in the space race...”

Report: China Military Spending Surge — Now 50% Larger than India, Japan, Taiwan, South-East Asia Combined

December 7, 2021 -- Breitbart.com reports: “China is determined to match its aggressive military talk

in South-East Asia with spending. A report by the Lowy Institute in Australia shows in 2021 it achieved just that as other reports indicate Beijing is looking to establish its first permanent military presence on the Atlantic Ocean in the tiny Central African country of Equatorial Guinea.

According to the latest Asia Power Index, China’s military financial outlay is now 50 per cent

larger than India, Japan, Taiwan, and all 10 members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) combined.

The annual report by the Lowy Institute noted in 2021, the U.S. remained the most powerful country in the Asia-Pacific region, with China coming in second place, after steadily growing influence on the Index in recent years...”

SIGNS IN THE SUN, MOON & STARS

China-Russia Collaboration in Space Poses Challenge for West

December 17, 2021 -- Voice of America News reports: “China and Russia have begun collaborating on technology to rival the United States’ GPS and European Galileo satellite navigation systems, as the two countries pursue closer military and strategic ties.

Earlier this year, China agreed to host ground monitoring stations for Russia’s GLONASS positioning system on its soil, which improves global range and accuracy but can pose a security risk. In turn, Russia agreed to host ground stations for China’s BeiDou system.

The reciprocal agreement indicates a growing level of trust and cooperation between Moscow and Beijing, says analyst Alexander Gabuev, senior fellow and chair of the Russia in the

Asia-Pacific Program at the Carnegie Moscow Center... *(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 report.)*

China’s manned moon landing possible before 2030

December 9, 2021 -- MoonDaily.com reports: “It is ‘entirely possible’ for China to perform a crewed lunar landing before 2030, said a senior Chinese scientist in deep-space exploration.

‘I personally think that as long as the technological research for manned

moon landing continues, and as long as the country is determined (to achieve the goal), it is entirely possible for China to land people on the moon before 2030, ‘Ye Peijian said in a recent interview with the state broadcaster *CCTV*.

Chief designer of China’s first moon probe Chang’e-1 and an academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Ye noted that space exploration is not just a matter of science, but also something related to the future of a nation.

‘Countries that can lead in space technology have advanced technologies in various fields. In turn, space technology is something that can feed back to technologies in other aspects,’ Ye added.

Last year, China’s Chang’e-5 mission retrieved moon samples weighing about 1,731 grams, which were the first lunar samples in the world in over 40 years...”

NEWS FROM ISRAEL & THE MIDDLE EAST

Israel is a Jewish state and will remain so – Ra’am’s Abbas

December 22, 2021 -- The Jerusalem Post reports: “‘The State of Israel was born as a Jewish state, and it will remain one,’ Ra’am (United Arab List) leader Mansour Abbas said on Tuesday at a conference of the Hebrew economic newspaper *Globes*.

The statement by Abbas in an interview with *Channel 12* analyst Muhammad Magadli was considered historic

because it is very different from the view of Arab parties until now.

The point of view of Arab parties in the past has been that Israel should be a state of all its citizens, not a Jewish state. Arab parties have supported changing the Law of Return to make it easier for Arabs to move to Israel and gain a majority.

Abbas made a similar statement last month in Arabic to the *Kul al-Arab* media outlet...” **(Bravo to Mansour Abbas in this statement. Unfortunately**

as the following article reports, it is not a popular belief in the Middle East. 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 report.)

Palestinians slam Mansour Abbas for ‘recognizing’ Israel as a Jewish state

December 23, 2021 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “Palestinians from across the political spectrum have strongly condemned Ra’am (United Arab List) leader and MK Mansour Abbas for recognizing Israel as a Jewish state.

On Tuesday, Abbas was quoted as saying, ‘The State of Israel was born as a Jewish state, and it will remain one.’ He made the statement at a conference of the Hebrew economic newspaper *Globes*.

Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, who has repeatedly stated his refusal to recognize Israel as a Jewish state, on Wednesday expressed outrage over the statements of the Arab MK.

‘These irresponsible statements are consistent with the calls of extremists in Israel to displace the Palestinians and harm the status of the blessed al-Aqsa Mosque and the history of the Palestinian people,’ he said in a statement released by the PA president’s office.

The statement added that Mansour Abbas represents only himself when he talks about accepting Israel as a Jewish state...”

‘One wrong move’: Tehran Times reveals Iran’s targets in Israel

December 15, 2021 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “An Iranian newspaper published a map on Wednesday threatening Israel with missile attacks with pins representing rocket alerts placed on dozens of potential targets, although some of the pins were placed in Lebanese territory and on Palestinian

cities in the West Bank.

The map, published on the front page of the *Tehran Times* newspaper, was part of an article headlined ‘Just one wrong move!’

‘An intensification of the Israeli military threats against Iran seems to suggest that the Zionist regime has forgotten that Iran is more than capable of hitting them from anywhere,’ wrote the paper, adding that it ‘doesn’t need to remind the illegitimate regime of Israel of Iran’s defense capabilities.’

The article ended by quoting a threat by Iranian Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei from 2013 which warned that Iran would ‘destroy Tel Aviv and Haifa’ if Israel ‘makes a mistake’ and conducts a military strike...” *(Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel. Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him. – Psalm 2:1-12. See the next report.)*

IRGC leader warns Israel: We will cut off their hands if they make a wrong move

December 25, 2021 -- *Israel National News* reports: “War games conducted

this week by Iran in the Gulf were intended to send a warning to Israel, the country’s top military commanders said on Friday, *Reuters* reports.

The Revolutionary Guards’ war games included firing ballistic and cruise missiles.

‘These exercises had a very clear message: a serious, real ... warning to threats by the Zionist regime’s authorities to beware of their mistakes,’ Guards chief General Hossein Salami was quoted as having said on state TV.

‘We will cut off their hands if they make a wrong move... The distance between actual operations and military exercises is only a change in the angles of launching the missiles,’ he threatened...”

Hamas to Israel: Leave or die

December 13, 2021 -- *Israel National News* reports: “The Hamas terror group held ceremonies throughout Gaza on Friday to mark the 34th anniversary of the outbreak of the First Intifada, which they claim was a sign of commitment to continue the struggle for the liberation of ‘Palestine.’

Mushir al-Masri, a senior Hamas figure, said in a rally in northern Gaza (as reported in the *Falastin* newspaper) that Hamas continues on the path of jihad and the struggle in all its forms, particularly that of armed resistance against Israel.

According to him, Jerusalem will remain the organization’s central purpose, and continue to be cause for violence if violated...

To Israel itself, Masri said: ‘You have no place on our land. Leave it or be killed on it.’...” **(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 thine heart, 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.)

Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad agree to facilitate attacks on Israel

December 20, 2021 -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “ Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) stuck an agreement on Sunday to step up terrorist attacks against Israel, especially in the West Bank and Jerusalem.

The Iranian-backed groups have also agreed to increase coordination between their military wings, the Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades and the Al-Quds Brigades.

The deal was reached during meetings between Hamas and PIJ top brass officials in Lebanon and the Gaza Strip in recent days.

The deal is seen by Palestinian political analysts as a new challenge for the Palestinian Authority (PA), whose security forces continue to carry out a massive crackdown on Hamas and PIJ members in the West Bank...” **(They may threaten Israel, but Psalm 121 states: I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going**

out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Notice especially verse 4 – Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. During his confrontation with the prophets of Baal, Elijah mocked the prophets after they were unable to get a response from Baal. I Kings 18:27 states: And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked. God does not sleep, and He will preserve Israel. See the next two reports.)

Syria FM tells Iran it will respond to Israeli attacks

December 7, 2021 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “ Syria’s Foreign Minister Faisal Mekdad was in Iran this week and told his counterparts that Syria will respond to Israeli attacks on Syria. ‘We are responding to these attacks every day,’ Mekdad said, according to reports in Iranian media. He noted that the ‘Israeli regime’s attacks on Syria could not go unanswered,’ *Tasnim* news said. ‘Those who attack Syria are the enemy of Syria and they supported the terrorists. Israel is doing this today. Maybe today’s answer is different from tomorrow and today’s answer is different from yesterday.’

He said that Syria is responding in ‘various ways.’ He claimed Syria is pursuing ‘terrorists,’ which apparently refers to Syria’s regime cracking down on former Syrian rebels in southern Syria near the Golan. ‘Some expect the response to the airstrikes, but Israel should not forget that Syria may waive such attacks, but it will not forget the essence of the issue...Israel should not be misunderstood and should know that these attacks will be answered,’ he said...”

Iran pledges ‘crushing’ response against any Israeli attack

December 20, 2021 -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “Iran will retaliate with a ‘crushing’ response against any Israeli

attack, a commander said according to an Iranian news agency linked to the country’s top security body.

‘If Israel carries out attacks against Iran, our armed forces will immediately attack all centers, bases, routes, and spaces used to carry out the aggression,’ Gholamali Rashid said during a military maneuver which started on Sunday, *nournews* added.

Last week, *The Tehran Times* newspaper published an article, revealing a map of dozens of Iranian targets in Israel, in an event the Islamic Republic opts to strike the Jewish state...”

Israel’s incoming Air Force chief: In next war Hezbollah will suffer ‘unimaginable blow’

December 22, 2021 -- *YnetNews.com* reports: “Israel’s incoming Air Force commander said Wednesday that in the next war in Lebanon the Hezbollah terror group will suffer the kind of blow ‘it can’t even imagine’.

Maj. Gen. Tomer Bar will take over as head of the Israeli Air Force from Maj. Gen. Amikam Norkin in April 2022.

He said Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah will ‘be all’ for a no-holds-barred war with Israel.

‘He has been waiting for 30 years for that order [from Tehran] and there is no chance he will be absent from such a conflict, with all the force at his disposal. Israel must be prepared.’

Bar, who will be tasked with carrying out a strike against Iran’s nuclear facilities should one be ordered, understands that he may be required to carry out one of the most complex operations in country’s history...” **(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.)**