

*“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

Trump Recognizes Start of Holy Week: ‘History Was Forever Changed’ By Resurrection of Jesus Christ

April 15, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “President Donald Trump recognized the start of Holy Week and Jesus Christ’s Crucifixion and Resurrection, noting ‘History was forever changed’ in the moment of Jesus Christ’s Resurrection.

In a post on Truth Social, Trump wrote about how ‘the pain and sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross’ was an example of ‘God’s boundless Love and Devotion to all Humanity.’ Trump continued to wish Christians around the world a ‘Happy and very Blessed’ Easter holiday.

‘This Holy Week, Christians around the World remember the Crucifixion of God’s only Begotten Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and, on Easter Sunday, we celebrate His glorious Resurrection and proclaim, as Christians have done for nearly 2,000 years, ‘HE IS RISEN!’” (Amen President Trump. *In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. And the angel*

answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you. And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word. And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him. Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me. (Matthew 28:1-10).

What a refreshing change from Resurrection Sunday last year, when President Biden proclaimed the day not as Resurrection Day, but rather said: Today, we send a message to all transgender Americans: You are loved. You are heard. You are understood,” the White House statement said. “You belong. You are America, and my entire Administration and I have your back. NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH R. BIDEN JR., President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim March 31, 2024, as Transgender Day of Visibility.”)

After Two Decades of Socialist Attacks on Christianity, 97% of Venezuelans Still Believe in God

April 18, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “A recent study conducted by Venezuela-based research firm Delphos found that 97 percent of Venezuelans believe in God and a majority pray regularly despite more than two decades of attacks against the Venezuelan Church by the socialist Maduro regime, the outlet *Runrunes* reported on Wednesday.

Runrunes reported that the study, titled ‘Religious Sociography: The Religiosity of Venezuelans,’ was a joint collaboration between the local religious organization Gumilla Foundation and polling firm Delphos. Venezuela is an overwhelmingly Christian nation with roughly 90 percent of the population practicing either Catholicism or other forms of Christianity.

The study found that 63 percent of respondents identify themselves as Catholic and an additional 16 percent identify as Evangelical Christians. Another six percent said they were practitioners of other Christian denominations, while eight percent of respondents declared that they do not profess any religion; this category includes atheists and agnostics...” (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.)

'Eliminating Christianity': Chinese Communists unleash new limits on faith

April 22, 2025 -- *WND.com* reports: "A new report in the *Federalist* is warning that the Chinese Communist Party has

embarked on a new campaign with the goal of attacking, even eliminating, Christianity.

The new rules, to become effective May 1, are needed to fight 'extremism,' the party charges, and will require foreign missionaries to get government approval for lectures, sermons and group activities.

'Additionally, the regulation includes a comprehensive set of restrictions that prohibit foreign missionaries from engaging in activities such as 'Recruiting religious believers among Chinese citizens and appointing religious clergy,' 'Organizing and carrying out religious education and training,' 'accepting religious donations from Chinese organizations and citizens,' and producing, distributing, and selling religious materials.'

Violators, the CCP charges, are criminals..."

SANCTITY OF LIFE

Send in the clones: Scientists suggest creating non-thinking human 'bodyoids' to provide organs for transplant

April 16, 2025 -- *WND.com* reports: "It's one thing to see a lab full of nonthinking human bodies created by some 'mad scientist' on a late-night movie; it's another to consider the plan actually being reality.

But that's just what several writers of an article at *Technology Review* have proposed.

A report at the Christian Institute bluntly explained, 'Academics at Stanford University have proposed the creation of 'brain-dead humans' in order to harvest their organs for transplant and research.'

The authors at *Technology Review* are Carsten T. Charlesworth, Henry T. Greely, and Hiromitsu Nakauchi, and they claim making 'bodyoids' now can happen, scientifically, and even could be accomplished 'without crossing most people's ethical lines.'

The benefits they claim? An end to a shortage of organs for donation and no more need to do testing on animals to produce treatments..." (*Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! – Isaiah 5:20. This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their*

own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away – II Timothy 3:1-5.)

Alex Marlow: 'Sinister': Democrats Rebrand Abortions as 'Averted Births'

April 8, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "On Monday's 'Alex Marlow Show,' host and *Breitbart* Editor-in-Chief Alex Marlow discussed recent rhetoric on abortion from Democrats in Colorado.

Marlow stated, 'A Colorado Democrat said birth is more expensive than abortion and they're calling [abortions] now, 'averted births'. So, this is anti-human, ... if you're talking about, basically, the life of a human being as just an economic problem. Remember this, that the left sees everything as a money issue.'

He added that many horror movies start with premises that aren't as sinister as averting births and 'this is the road to genocide. ... It is not about safe, legal, and rare abortions. It's not about when some 15-year-old is sexually assaulted by someone in their family.'..." (The Bible is very clear about children in the womb. Samson told Delilah ...I

have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb... – Judges 16:17. David stated: For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them – Psalm 139:13-17. God told Jeremiah Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations – Jeremiah 1:5. Luke 1:41 – 45 states: And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.)

THE RELIGION OF PEACE?

Religion of Peace: Taliban Leader Swears Executions Are Part of Islam

April 14, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Public executions are a part of Islam, a leader of the Afghanistan terrorist organization vowed Saturday, days after four men were killed by gunfire as cheering crowds watched on.

The executions took place in packed sports stadiums and represent the highest number known to have been carried out in one day since the Taliban returned to power in 2021.

Rights groups and the U.N. condemned the killings while Taliban leader Hibatullah Akhundzada has previously rejected the need for Western laws in Afghanistan, *AP* reports.

‘We will not abandon the enforcement of these rulings, even if it costs us our lives,’ Akhundzada said during a religious seminar in Kandahar, referring specifically to the punishment of qisas, or retributive justice. ‘We will not yield to Western pressure.’... **(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. See the next three reports.)**

‘Armed Muslim Attackers’ Commit Another Massacre of Christians in Nigeria

April 15, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: “Fulani jihadists have murdered more than 60 Christians in a series of coordinated attacks across seven Christian communities in Nigeria as Holy Week begins.

Governor Caleb Mutfwang called the bloody assaults in Bokkos County, Plateau State, a ‘genocide’ in what is just the latest in a years-long war waged by Islamists against Christians across Africa in general and Nigeria in particular.

The latest terror attacks, which targeted villages left over 1,000 Christians displaced and 383 homes destroyed, according to community leader Maren Aradong.

‘These armed Muslim Fulani herdsmen invaded our communities in large numbers, arriving on motorcycles and attacking us,’ Aradong told *Christian Daily International-Morning Star News*.

The assailants – representing the self-described ‘religion of peace’ – also looted food stores and other items, exacerbating the devastation...”

Muslim Stabs Wife to Death for Accepting Christ during Ramadan

April 8, 2025 -- *MorningStarNews.org* reports: “A mother of six children was stabbed to death by her Muslim husband in Uganda after she attended her first church service on March 23, sources said.

Nasiimu Mirembe, whose children range in age from 3 to 18, had put her faith in Christ on March 21 after hearing the gospel from a friend in eastern Uganda’s Busembatya town council. She was 41.

She and her friend were on their way to a church service on March 23 when a Muslim neighbor, Awudu Mbulalina, greeted them 200 meters from the worship site and continued on, said the friend, whose name is withheld for security reasons.

Mirembe feared Mbulalina would tell her husband she was heading toward a church service and that he would

kill her, but the friend encouraged her to trust in God and persuaded her to continue on.

After the service, where Mirembe was introduced as a new Christian, they were returning home when they met her husband, Adamu Mukungu, about 200 meters from the church site, the friend said. Mukungu did not greet them.

‘I saw you come out of the church,’ Mukungu told his wife, according to the friend. ‘What you have done is very bad, especially during this period of Ramadan.’

‘Immediately he started slapping his wife,’ the friend said. ‘I started screaming and shouting for help. Mukungu then removed a long knife and started cutting her with it.’...”

Christian Couple, Woman They Led to Christ Poisoned to Death

March 31, 2025 -- *MorningStarNews.org* reports: “A Muslim woman in eastern Uganda this month killed a Christian couple and accidentally took her own daughter’s life with the same poison she used on those who had led her to Christ, sources said.

Doreen Nairuba died on March 16 from eating poisoned food prepared by Hanifa Hamiyat in Nabiganda town, Butaleja District, an area neighbor said. Nairuba was six months pregnant.

Hamiyat’s 18-year-old daughter, Marriam Kapisa, died the same day after unknowingly eating the food prepared for Nairuba and Nairuba’s husband, Jackson Wampula, who died from the poisoning the next day (March 17), residents said.

Nairuba had been sharing her Christian faith with Kapisa, who had finished high school exams and was awaiting results to determine entry to college. Hamiyat was angry that the couple had brought her daughter to a church service on March 17, an area source said...”

RUSSIA AND THE KINGS OF THE EAST

'Friends Forever, Never Enemies', Chinese Foreign Minister Declares Eternal Fealty to Russia

April 2, 2025 -- *Breitbart.com* reports: "Communist dictatorships China and Russia are "friends forever, never enemies," Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi declared Tuesday during a visit to Moscow.

"The principle of 'friends forever, never enemies' ... serves as a solid legal basis for advancing strategic cooperation at a higher level," Wang told Russia's *RIA* state news agency in an interview as reported by *Reuters*.

Wang, who also holds a high rank in the Chinese Communist Party's Central Committee, recently chaired a U.N. Security Council (UNSC) conference on "multilateralism."

He is on a three-day visit to the Russian capital where he is expected to meet his Russian counterpart, Sergei Lavrov, as well as Vladimir Putin.

Days before Putin's invasion of Ukraine, China and Russia declared a "no limits" strategic partnership, though Beijing has insisted it remains neutral in the conflict..." (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].)

During Japan trip, NATO chief warns of Chinese military expansion

April 9, 2025 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "NATO Secretary-General Mark Rutte warned of China's military expansion while aiming to improve economic ties with Japan during a two-day visit on Tuesday and Wednesday.

China's emphasis on military development, support of Russia and ties to Iran and North Korea make China a serious concern, Rutte said while meeting with Japanese Defense Minister Gen Nakatani on Tuesday at the Yokosuka Naval Base.

'China is building up its armed forces, including its navy, at a rapid pace,' Rutte told media in Yokosuka. 'We cannot be naïve, and we really have to work together [and] assess what is happening.'

Japanese officials view China as a threat to regional peace and recently increased Japan's military growth, including the future deployment of long-range cruise missiles capable of defensive strikes against aggressor nations.

During his meeting with Nakatani earlier Tuesday, Rutte said NATO and Japan share common concerns as China, North Korea and Russia increase their mutual military cooperation while undermining global stability..." (A March 19, 2021 article in *The New York Times* – [Tense Talks With China Left U.S. 'Cleareyed' About Beijing's Intentions, Officials Say](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/19/world/asia/china-us-alaska.html) <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/19/world/asia/china-us-alaska.html> states: "Just as Washington's views on China have shifted after years of encouraging the country's economic integration, so have Beijing's perceptions of the United States and the privileged place in the world that it has long held. The Americans, in their view, no longer have an overwhelming reservoir of global influence, nor the power to wield it against China.

That has made China more confident in pursuing its aims openly and unabashedly — from human rights issues in Hong Kong and Xinjiang to territorial disputes with India and Japan and others in the South China Sea to, most contentiously of all, the fate of Taiwan, the self-governing democracy that China claims as its own.

While China still faces enormous challenges at home and around the world, its leaders now act as if history is on their side." See the next three reports.)

China floats battle barges in Taiwan invasion plans

April 4, 2025 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "Vast new Chinese barges spotted off the country's south coast could be used to land heavy equipment and thousands of personnel in a possible invasion of Taiwan, defence experts say.

Beijing this week launched what it called 'punishing' drills around Taiwan, sending jets and warships in a rehearsal for a blockade and assault on the self-ruled island.

And a memo from U.S. Naval War College has revealed another potential weapon in Beijing's arsenal — barges that can connect via extendable ramps to form an 820-metre-long (half-mile-long) pier from deep waters to land.

With retractable legs that can push into the sea floor, the Naval War College said they could create a platform for personnel and 'hundreds of vehicles' an hour to land on Taiwan, which China claims as its own territory.

'These barges are clearly meant to facilitate amphibious invasion against Taiwan,' Wen-Ti Sung, a nonresident fellow at the Atlantic Council's Global China Hub, told *AFP*..."

China practises hitting key ports, energy sites in Taiwan drills

April 3, 2025 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "China's military said it practised hitting key ports and energy sites during 'live-fire' drills Wednesday as part of exercises aimed at Taiwan, the democratic island it claims as its own.

The surprise manoeuvres were criticised by Washington as 'intimidation tactics' and come after Taiwan President Lai Ching-te called China a 'foreign hostile force'.

Named 'Strait Thunder-2025A', the drills were in the middle and southern parts of the Taiwan Strait as well as the East China Sea, the military said.

The strait is a vital artery for global shipping.

The military said it held 'long-range live-fire drills' and practised hitting 'simulated targets of key ports and energy facilities' during the exercises.

Wednesday's exercises aim to 'test the troops' capabilities' in areas such as 'blockade and control, and precision strikes on key targets', said Senior Colonel Shi Yi, spokesman of the Chinese military's Eastern Theater Command.

China's Shandong aircraft carrier was also carrying out drills testing the ability to 'blockade' Taiwan, the Eastern Theater Command said.

Taipei has condemned the Chinese exercises..."

China launches military drills around Taiwan, calls its president a 'parasite'

April 1, 2025 -- Reuters reports: "China staged military drills off Taiwan's north, south and east coasts on Tuesday as a 'stern warning' against separatism and called Taiwanese President Lai Ching-te a 'parasite,' as Taiwan sent warships to respond to China's navy approaching its shores.

The exercises, which China has not

formally named unlike war games last year, are happening after a rise in Chinese rhetoric against Lai and follow on the heels of U.S. Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth's Asia visit, during which he repeatedly criticised Beijing.

China's military deployed ships, aircraft and artillery to practise blockading the island, strikes on ground and maritime targets, and air interception to 'test forces' coordination in combat,' Beijing's Eastern Theatre Command said in a statement...

THE NORTH KOREAN MADMAN

Able to create bacteria and toxins | Serious report on North Korea's lethal weapons

April 21, 2025 -- Israel National News reports: "The U.S. State Department has released a serious report on North Korea's biological capabilities, which the latter has been developing since the 1960s.

'The U.S. estimates that North Korea has a national designated program for attack with biological weapons,' said the 2025 report on global compliance with arms control agreements.

The report also shows that the North Korean government has the technical ability to create bacteria, toxins and viruses that can be used as 'biological weapons agents' and that North Korea is capable of genetically engineering biological materials.

The report continues to detail North Korea's potential ability to launch its biological weapons using clandestine and unconventional systems.

Options such as poison pens and various sprayers were also listed, despite the fact that North Korea is a signatory to the 1987 Biological Weapons Convention..." **(China and North Korea are prophesied to be top contenders and bloody warriors during the battle of Armageddon – Revelation 16:16. Revelation 16:12 pictures Kings coming to the Middle East, primarily China and North Korea to slay a third-part of mankind in atomic warfare. Revelation 9:14 – 18 the Oriental nations from the East join with Russia – the leader from the North – Daniel 11:44 – for the most horrendous war in history.)**

North Korea warns of 'overwhelming deterrence' after U.S.-South Korea air drills

April 21, 2025 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "North Korea warned Thursday it would respond with 'overwhelming deterrence' against the United States following Washington's deployment of B-1B strategic bombers to the Korean Peninsula for a joint air exercise with South Korea this week.

The allies' drills represent an 'open threat to the security of our state and a grave provocation that raises the military tension in the region to an extreme dangerous level,' a spokesperson for North Korea's Defense Ministry said in a statement carried by state-run *Korean Central News Agency*.

'The DPRK will exercise the overwhelming deterrence and continue to make the U.S. recognize that its unannounced deployment of strategic means is a reckless and unnecessary abuse of strength,' the spokesperson said, using the official acronym for North Korea. 'The higher the level of provocation against the DPRK is, the greater the level of danger returning to the U.S. will be.'

The United States sent a pair of B-1B strategic bombers to participate in joint drills on Tuesday, which was a holiday in North Korea marking the birthday of founder Kim Il Sung. The exercise was intended to 'respond to the continuous threat of North Korea's increasingly sophisticated nuclear and missile programs,' Seoul's Defense Ministry said.

Pyongyang has frequently objected to the deployment of U.S. strategic assets to the Korean Peninsula and condemns the allies' joint military exercises as rehearsals for an invasion..." **(Kim Jong-un, his sister, and recently his daughter, Ju-ae, who appeared**

with him twice recently raising speculation about possible succession, are following in the footsteps of Kim Jong-il and Kim il-sung in seeking nuclear weapons. In 1993, President Bill Clinton spoke in South Korea and stated that if North Korea gained and used a nuclear weapon, the U.S. would quickly and overwhelmingly retaliate, and it would mean the end of their country as they know it. President George W. Bush named North Korea as one of the three-part 'axis of evil' along with Iran and Iraq in 2002. In 2014, President Barack Obama warned North Korea that the U.S. would not hesitate to use military might to defend our allies against this 'pariah state'. And in August 2017, President Donald Trump stated: "North Korea best not make any more threats to the United States. They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen." It is believed that North Korea developed nuclear weapons in 2004.)

Kim Jong Un's sister calls North Korean denuclearization a 'daydream'

April 10, 2025 -- SpaceWar.com reports: "Kim Yo Jong, the influential sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, on Wednesday reaffirmed Pyongyang's self-proclaimed status as a nuclear state and slammed U.S. calls to eliminate its arsenal as 'nonsensical' and a 'daydream.'

'If anyone openly talks about dismantlement of nuclear weapons before us or seeks to revive the dead concept of 'denuclearization' under various pretexts, it just constitutes the most hostile act of denying the sovereignty of the DPRK,' Kim said in a statement carried by the official *Korean Central News Agency*.

The Democratic People's Republic

of Korea is the official name of North Korea.

Kim's remarks came in response to a joint statement issued Thursday by the top diplomats of the United States, South Korea and Japan, who reaffirmed their 'resolute commitment

to the complete denuclearization' of North Korea..." (Even if North Korea gives up its nuclear weapons, there are enough remaining in the world to create havoc. 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.)

THE BURDEN OF DAMASCUS

OPCW estimates over 100 chemical weapons sites still active in Syria

April 10, 2025 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: "More than 100 chemical weapons sites remain in Syria, according to a global organization which tracks this specific type of weapons. These estimations by the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), as initially reported by the *New York Times*, followed an assessment of sites left behind by the fall of Bashar al-Assad.

The report assessed the remains of Assad's military infrastructure, months after the country transitioned. According to the report, the remaining sites exceed any preconceived numbers, with a figure which is significantly higher than those acknowledged by al-Assad himself.

In the Syrian civil war's earliest days, Assad's government only disclosed the locations of 27 sites to the OPCW. He continued to use these weapons through at least 2018 and continued to import the chemicals to produce the weapons.

These sites include any facility involved in the manufacturing, distribution, research, and storage of various chemical weapons that the fallen Syrian dictator was known to have used. Among the examples include chlorine gas and sarin, an extremely toxic nerve agent which is both colorless and odorless..." (Syria is not the nation that produces Armageddon, Revelation 16:16. Israel is as Jerusalem is divided – Joel 3:2. Eighteen times Ezekiel 38 & 39 mentions Israel as the world's battleground during World War III. Nevertheless, Isaiah 17:1 has yet to be fulfilled but will soon bringing devastation as predicted by the prophet Isaiah: "*The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.*" See the next report.)

Congressman claims: Syria wants to join Abraham Accords – under the right conditions

April 24, 2025 -- *Israel National News* reports: "Syria's new leader is interested in joining the Abraham Accords, U.S.

Congressman Cory Mills said.

According to a *Bloomberg* report, Syrian President Ahmed al-Sharaa, also known as Abu Mohammad al-Julani, expressed willingness in principle to join the Accords, if they take place under 'the right conditions.'

Those conditions would include the removal of economic sanctions on Syria, as well as a peace agreement between Syria and Israel. But al-Sharaa is open to addressing U.S. concerns, Mills noted.

Mills told al-Sharaa that all chemical weapons left over from former Syrian President Bashaar al-Assad's regime must be destroyed, and Syria must coordinate on counterterrorism initiatives, including with U.S. allies. He also said that Syria needs to demonstrate how it plans to deal with foreign fighters in the country and provide appropriate assurances to Israel..."

NEWS FROM ISRAEL

Netanyahu: We'll achieve all war goals; there will be no civil war

April 22, 2025 -- *Israel National News* reports: "Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu spoke this evening (Monday) at a memorial ceremony for Irgun fighters who fell in the battle for Jaffa during the 1948 War of Independence, and declared that the State of Israel is committed to completing all of its objectives in the current war.

'We will complete all of the war objectives. We will destroy Hamas's rule in Gaza, return the hostages, prevent any future threat from Gaza to Israel, and return the residents safely,' Netanyahu said.

In his remarks, the Prime Minister linked the historic campaign to liberate Jaffa to the current campaign. 'Just as

the liberation of Jaffa ended in complete victory, today we too adhere to the concept of complete victory.'

Netanyahu also addressed concerns about internal radicalization, saying: 'There will be no civil war – there will be no civil war.'..." (God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early – Psalm 46:1 – 5. See the next report.)

Netanyahu slams Iran, Hamas as Israel marks Holocaust

April 24, 2025 -- *SpaceWar.com* reports: "Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, speaking Wednesday at an annual Holocaust commemoration, said Iran was an existential threat and warned that 'the fate of all humanity' was at stake if it acquires nuclear arms.

Netanyahu was speaking at the start of Israel's Holocaust Remembrance Day, which commemorates the murder of six million Jews by the Nazis during World War II, and is observed every year in April or May according to the Jewish calendar. The International Holocaust Remembrance Day is marked on January 27.

'The regime in Iran is a threat to our destiny, to our very existence, and to the fate of all humanity,' Netanyahu said

in a solemn address at Yad Vashem, the Holocaust memorial centre in Jerusalem.

‘This is what will happen if it obtains nuclear weapons. If we lose this battle, the Western nations will be next,’ Netanyahu said, using the memorial day to deliver a political message.

‘Israel will not lose, will not give in, and will not surrender,’ he said...

Netanyahu to Khamenei: Israel won't be eliminated, Iran's axis of terror must be

April 16, 2025 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Tuesday evening responded to Iranian Ayatollah Ali Khamenei’s promise that Israel will be eliminated from the Middle East.

‘Today, the dictator of Iran, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, posted this,’ Netanyahu began, holding up a paper. ‘The title is, ‘Why must the Zionist regime (that’s Israel) be eliminated from the region.’

‘So here you have the ruler of Iran openly declaring – again – that his goal is to destroy the State of Israel. And the most brazen thing about this is that he issues this while he’s negotiating – supposedly negotiating – peace with the United States.

‘Well, Israel will NOT be eliminated. What must be eliminated is Iran’s axis of terror and its nuclear weapons program. Not only for the sake of Israel, but for the sake of our entire region, and for the sake of peace in our world,’ he concluded.” **(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.)

Hamas leaders asked Iran for \$500 million in 2021 to destroy Israel within 2 years

April 7, 2025 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “Defense Minister Israel Katz revealed an intelligence document on Sunday showing that Hamas leaders Yahya Sinwar and Muhammad Deif had sent a letter to Iran’s IRGC Quds Force commander Esmail Qaani in June 2021, seeking support for the terror group’s plans to invade Israel, which were ultimately carried out on October 7, 2023.

‘I am presenting here for the first time a document that was found in the tunnels of senior Hamas officials in Gaza, which proves a direct relationship between Iran and Yahya Sinwar and Muhammad Deif, as part of Iran’s support for the Hamas plan to destroy Israel,’ Katz said in a video statement.

The statement was recorded during a visit to the Military Intelligence Directorate’s so-called intelligence collection and technical spoils unit — known by its Hebrew acronym, ‘Amshat.’

‘In the document, they (the Hamas leaders) ask of the commander of the [Islamic] Revolutionary Guard Corps’ Quds Force to transfer \$500 million for destroying the State of Israel,’ he said.

The document shows that Hamas demanded \$20 million per month from Iran over two years, ‘to achieve these great goals, through which we will change the face of the world.’

‘We are confident that by the end of these two years, or during them, God willing, we will uproot this monstrous entity, and we will end this dark period in the history of our nation,’ the letter reads...” (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.)

Hamas rejects Israeli hostage- truce proposal, dismisses Netanyahu’s ‘partial deals’

April 18, 2025 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “Hamas on Thursday publicly rejected an Israeli proposal for a temporary ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, reiterating that it opposes any truce deal that does not lead to an end to the war sparked by the terror group’s October 2023 attack and the withdrawal of Israel’s forces from the enclave.

A Hamas source told *AFP* that the terrorist organization also sent a written response Thursday to mediators on Israel’s latest proposal for a 45-day ceasefire. Israel had sought the release of 10 living hostages held by the terror group, according to Hamas.

The proposal also included the freeing of 1,231 Palestinian security prisoners from Israeli jails and the entry of humanitarian aid into Gaza. It also called for Hamas to disarm to secure a complete end to the war, a demand the terror group rejects.

Hamas leader in Gaza, Khalil al-Hayya, currently outside the enclave, said in a televised speech that Hamas will not be ‘part of [Prime Minister Benjamin] Netanyahu’s policy of partial deals.’

‘We will not be part of passing this policy.’...” **(Benjamin Netanyahu has stated: “If the Arabs put down their weapons today, there would be no more violence. If the Jews put down their weapons today, there would be no more Israel.”**

Israel does all that it can to protect civilians – Hamas uses civilians to protect their missiles; placing them next to schools and in residential neighborhoods. See the next two reports.)

Senior IDF officers: Hamas was surprised by the war’s renewal

April 17, 2025 -- *Israel National News* reports: “Senior officers in the IDF Southern Command claim that Hamas was surprised by the renewed fighting, and the organization did not expect Israel to return to ground maneuvers.

‘The enemy was surprised by our initiative and by the firepower,’ sources in the military emphasized. ‘It was in the mindset that the war was over and that we wouldn’t return to fight, and therefore, the attack caught them by surprise.’

The IDF has identified that the Hamas

leaders and operatives are hiding in hospitals and schools. During the ground maneuver, tunnels were located a kilometer underground and destroyed, and the forces continue to locate and map out terror infrastructure...”

‘Sons of dogs, release the hostages,’ Mahmoud Abbas tells Hamas

April 23, 2025 -- *The Jerusalem Post* reports: “‘Sons of dogs, hand over

the hostages,’ Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas told Hamas in a televised speech at the PA’s Central Council on Wednesday.

He added that the ‘war must end,’ citing that hundreds are dying every day because ‘[Hamas] doesn’t want to hand over the American hostages. Sons of dogs – hand over the hostages and end the matter.’

Abbas said the goals are ‘Returning the

hostages; lifting the Israeli blockade of Gaza; stopping the displacement of our people in coordination with Arab countries; defending the ‘Palestinian cause.’”

He also stressed that ‘Hamas must end its control of the Gaza Strip and hand over its weapons to the Palestinian Authority.’...”

A PALESTINIAN STATE?

France eyes Palestinian state recognition by June, Macron announces

April 10, 2025 -- *Israel National News* reports: “French President Emmanuel Macron announced on Wednesday that France intends to formally recognize a Palestinian state in the near future, with the decision potentially being made public during an upcoming international summit in New York.

Speaking to *France 5* television following his visit to Egypt, Macron stated, ‘We must move towards recognition, and we will do so in the coming months.’

The French leader said his country is working with Saudi Arabia to co-host a conference in June focused on resolving the Israeli-Palestinian Arab conflict. Macron stated that the event could serve as the platform for ‘finalising this movement of mutual recognition (of a Palestinian state) by several parties.’

Explaining his motivation, Macron said, ‘I will do it (...) because I believe that at some point it will be right and because I also want to participate in a collective dynamic – which must also allow all those who defend Palestine to recognise Israel in turn, which many of them do not do.’

Macron emphasized that recognizing a Palestinian state would also clarify France’s opposition to groups and governments that deny Israel’s legitimacy. ‘Such recognition would allow France to be clear in our fight against those who deny Israel’s right to exist – which is the case with Iran – and to commit ourselves to collective

security in the region,’ he stated...” *(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.)*

Netanyahu tells Macron a Palestinian state would be ‘huge prize for terror’

April 16, 2025 -- *The Times of Israel* reports: “Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reiterated his opposition to Palestinian statehood in a phone call Tuesday with French President Emmanuel Macron, the premier’s office said, days after his son hurled an obscenity at Macron for saying Paris could recognize a Palestinian state.

Macron, for his part, urged Netanyahu to halt the war and renew the flow of aid to Gaza, and said a two-state solution was critical to ensuring Israel’s security, according to a social media post by the French president. Neither Macron nor the Prime Minister’s Office mentioned Yair Netanyahu’s insult...

In a statement Tuesday, the Prime Minister’s Office said Netanyahu told

Macron that a Palestinian state would be a ‘huge prize for terror’ following the Hamas onslaught of October 7, 2023, when the terror group stormed southern Israel to kill some 1,200 people and take 251 hostages, sparking the war in Gaza.

‘A Palestinian state that is established a few minutes from Israeli cities will be a stronghold for Iranian terror and that a large majority of the Israeli public firmly opposes this – and this is also his consistent and long-standing policy,’ said the PMO, referring to Iran’s support for regional terror proxies including Hamas...” *(Caroline B. Glick, senior contributing editor to The Jerusalem Post wrote a book in 2014 entitled “The Israeli Solution” where she stated in the preface: “Establishing a Palestinian state, so the thinking goes, would be a panacea for all the region’s ills. It would end the Arab world’s conflict with Israel, because the reason the Arab world is anti-Israel is that there is no Palestinian state. It would also nearly erase the Arab world’s anti-Americanism, because the reason the Arabs – and the larger Muslim world – are anti-American is that the United States supports Israel even though there is no Palestinian state... For the past ninety years, the two-state solution has been tried more than a dozen times, and every time it has failed, abysmally. Between 1970 and 2013, the United States presented nine different peace plans for Israel and the Palestinians, all based on the two-state solution – and for the past twenty years, the two-state solution has been the centerpiece of the U.S. Middle East policy. But despite this laser focus, American efforts to implement the two-state solution have all been dismal failures.”)*