

Israel, America And The Last Days
Chapter Eighteen - The Revenger Of Blood And America's Last Call Before Judgment

As America celebrates Her independence from Great Britain she faces a greater enemy than any foreign power could pose. America is facing judgment and wrath from God if she continues to sin and does not repent as a nation. BLOOD is on our hands and the Lord is called the "revenger of Blood." When He comes to take account of America's national sin we are going to pay an awful price. Such is the time we are living in and facing in 2002.

Numbers 35:19 - The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.

Numbers 35:21 - Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote him shall surely be put to death; for he is a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.

Numbers 35:24-25 - Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments: [25] And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.

Numbers 35:27 - And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:

We are living in perilous times. Mankind continues to sin without any sense or need of repentance before a Holy and Just God. I fear tonight for this nation more so than at any time in the past. Since September 11, 2001 America has continued to flex her rebellious hand and heart before the Almighty despite constant efforts by the Lord to get our attention through "warning judgments" from heaven.

As I write this in the summer of 2002 several things are happening in America right now:

- Massive wildfires are scorching thousands of acres in the Western part of the country, namely Arizona and Colorado
- Flooding rains continue to pound Texas forcing thousands to flee from their homes
- Southern California is experiencing one of its worst droughts EVER in the history of the state. Water rationing is a daily occurrence.

- The country as a whole continues to monitor threats to our national security via terrorist cells both within and outside the United States
- What seemed to be a wave of patriotism in the wake of 9-11 has turned back into bitter political arguing in Washington, D.C.
- A recent U.S. Supreme Court of Appeals struck down the U.S. Constitution saying that the words "One Nation Under God," were a violation of church and state principles in the constitution. Of course when 9-11 happened we were not afraid to say "OUR FATHER WHICH ARE IN HEAVEN!"

In addition to this just this past month during the end of June we celebrated "Gay Pride Week" again in this country which now goes back to over 10 years. We do this without conscience and without blushing any more. We do not get the picture that God is not happy with our sin. We do not get the picture that God has not changed and He is not "the man upstairs" or the "higher power" but HE IS GOD. He is Yahweh! He is our RIGHTEOUS banner that screams to us in these last days to REPENT and come back to Him before He must move in judgment.

In Israel's history every time God judged her there was a cycle preceding that judgment that always took place. First, God would send prophets to WARN Israel of her sin and impending doom. Secondly, God would give a season of grace to give her space to repent. That space of grace at times was months, sometimes years, but if Israel continued to refuse to listen to God eventually God would send a foreign power into her land and captivity, bloodshed, destruction, murder, rape and carnage ensued.

Many Bible prophecy teachers believe 9-11 was America's clarion warning to repent. Since 9-11 we have not had a terrorist attack so we have in essence been in a time of grace since that time. The question has to be asked when will the hammer fall again and judgment comes a second time. And when judgment does come a second time how severe will the judgment be? Many prophetic voices (who are being drowned out sadly by the so-called institutionalized church) are saying America is headed for destruction and a loss of her freedom and identity.

America has always known how to pray during a crisis but we have forgotten how to REPENT! America did not repent after 9-11. America did not tear down her idols after 9-11. America continued to abort babies, promote homosexuality, and promote a God-less, atheist society that degrades God and everything Godly in spite of what happened to nearly 3,000 of our citizens. Their blood cries out to us tonight from the soil saying, "REPENT!" and come back to GOD! It is interesting to note that this is actually a foreshadowing of events during the tribulation. During the first half of the tribulation men will be willing to give up their lives for Christ and testimony. But during the latter part, the Bible teaches that men will NOT repent of their evil deeds. God allows intense

judgment to bring men to repentance. When men are no longer willing to repent, then the wrath of God will be unleashed without restraint!

Repentance is acknowledging your error, taking responsibility for it, and MAKING restitution, or turning around. It is not just saying, "I'm sorry." Many people say "I'm sorry" so much without really meaning it those words have become just lip service to God.

The Northridge Earthquake Of 1994 - A 9-11 Foreshadowing

Several years ago, a devastating earthquake hit the Los Angeles area. The epicenter of the quake was located in Northridge, which just happened to be at the heart of America's pornography center. To date, it is the costliest disaster in U.S. History at a staggering \$44 billion in damages. In human costs, 22,000 were left homeless; 9,000 were injured and 58 people died. Instead of being moved to repentance America, just like she did after 9-11, adopted an attitude of ridiculing those who determined the quake was a sign of God's disfavor. They simply rebuilt their factories and continued making pornography. In San Francisco, men and women march with signs proclaiming, "God is gay" even as the earthquakes beneath them! They do not fall to their knees in repentance. To the contrary they only laugh at those who believe the trembling ground to be a divine wakeup call.

When judgments such as earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes and floods no longer cause us to humble ourselves and repent friend we are in serious trouble. The Tribulation will be the full measure of God's wrath upon the earth. The end result will be that God will "destroy sinners from off the earth." (Isa. 13:9). The sins of the world are accumulating before God in the heavenly winepress. When the winepress is full, then the vengeance of the revenger of blood will be loosed upon planet earth and as Yeshua warned us in Matthew - if it were not for the elect of God - NO FLESH SHOULD BE SAVED!

Isaiah 13:9 - Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

Rev. 14:19 - And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

The Ultimate Reason For God's Judgment Upon America And Planet Earth

Many people ask the question, why would God judge America? That question is so often asked and so often answered in general terms. Sin is certainly the answer but the Bible gives us specifics concerning reasons why God judges nations. The clearest account of judgment in scripture is found in

Genesis 19 concerning the story of Sodom and Gomorrah. The men of Sodom were so wicked and vile in their heart they banged on Lot's door and demanded he turn over to them the strangers that had come into town, so they may have sexual relations with them. The next morning the city and all its inhabitants were reduced to ashes. It would seem pretty clear that God's judgment upon Sodom was over homosexuality but a deeper reading of the Bible gives us FOUR specific sins that were rampant in those cities that brought God's wrath upon them.

Ezekiel 16:49 - Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fullness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.

It is very interesting that nowhere in this scripture is the sin "homosexuality" mentioned even though we know from scripture that that evidently was a scourge upon Sodom. The reason is that sexual perversion was not the ROOT of the problem no more than sexual perversion is the root of America's problem. Homosexuality is a root of a far deeper and more greivous problem in this nation that must be rooted out if we are to survive another decade. These four sins in Sodom that I believe are also very rampant in the USA were:

1. PRIDE
2. FULLNESS OF BREAD
3. ABUNDANCE OF IDLENESS
4. LAKE OF COMPASSION FOR THE POOR AND NEEDY
PRIDE

Psalm 10:4 - The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

Psalm 73:6 - Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment.

Proverbs 16:18 - Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

There is no room in the heart of the proud for God. To acknowledge we need God and are fallible and in need is something a proud heart will never do. Pride seduces us into think that we along can accomplish anything set before us. Pride was what filled the heart of Nebuchadnezzar as he looked upon his capital city Babylon and proclaimed, "IS NOT HIS GREAT BABYLON That I HAVE BUILT FOR THE HOUSE AND THE KINGDOM BY THE MIGHTY OF MY POWER and for the HOUSE OF MY MAJESTY?" (Dan. 4:30). The Bible says that while the words were still in his mouth he was struck DUMB for seven years.

The once most powerful man on the earth crawled around on the ground like a common animal because of his pride and haughty spirit.

There is an arrogant sense even after 9-11 here in America that nothing destructive or catastrophic will ever happen to us. Our forefathers declared independence from a tyrant nation but the professed DEPENDENCE upon an ALMIGHTY GOD and interdependence upon each other. Family and community were REAL words in those days unlike they are today in this selfish society we live in.

Certain Bible teachers believe a prophetic word from the prophet Obadiah in the 3-4 verses of his tiny book may have prophetic implication for America:

Obadiah 1:3-4 - The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwells in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground? [4] Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the Lord.

The eagle is the symbol of America. Even though America is not mentioned during the Tribulation, this passage provides an interesting thought and possible warning to our nation about her pride. This root is ugly and it is growing in our society. The Lord says through Obadiah - "**I WILL BRING YOU DOWN.**"

Fullness Of Bread

What was intended to be, and should have been, a blessing to a nation became a sin. When God blesses us with things such as wealth, prosperity, etc. it is human nature to stop being thankful for those blessings and allow pride to cause us to misuse them. Sodom had "FULNESS OF BREAD" - in other words, they had an abundance of food and wealth. Yet, it became a curse to them. They indulged themselves in the abundance of their nation and forgot from whom these blessings had come. Besides being sexual perverts and fornicators, they had become drunkards and gluttons.

Deut. 21:20-21 - And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard. [21] And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.

Proverbs 23:20 - Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:

The word "glutton" is associated with the word "drunkard." Both flaws are related to excessive living. It carries with it the notion of living with every excess and having absolutely NO discipline or restraint. That is where America finds herself tonight and it is where Sodom found herself before she was destroyed. The fullness of our bread has become our curse. It has become a curse to the American church. We have become so relaxed and at ease we no longer depend on the anointing of the Holy Spirit to get the job done. We depend on our material wealth and ability to make money. It's sad but Jesus is outside a "RICH" church not welcomed in its midst yet we carry on business as usual. Friend, those days are coming to an end rapidly!

The Abundance Of Idleness

In plain language this means "prosperity of peace." Sodom was wealthy, they had fullness of bread, they were proud and as a result the deficit time spent in labor compared to idle time became greater. In other words the wealthier they became, the more luxury time they had. If a people were righteous that would translate into more time with God and in communion and intimacy with our Savior. For a wicked and proud people it becomes the inspiration to SIN MORE and indulge ourselves into even more debauchery. America is in such a state tonight. But America is in such a state tonight because her CHURCH is in such a state.

Neglecting The Poor And Needy

America has become a society that cares more for itself than for its fellow man. Many Christians even have an attitude that because they pay taxes to the social programs of the government their obligation to the poor and needy is met. In other words, they do not want to be bothered with it. They are in a hurry to get to the golf course, or perhaps, they don't have it to spare because we are saving up for a new swimming pool or new deck. Jesus said that type person is one who is FULL OF DARKNESS no matter what they are saying with their lips!

Luke 11:34

The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single <"Good," Jewish New Testament meaning "generous">, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness.

That was the spiritual condition of the Sodomites. It is also the condition of America! We are not strengthening the hands of the poor and needy. We are using them for political purpose and gain. Many so-called politicians who decry the government's handling of the poor are the same men who would not give a beggar a dollar if he had 50 in his pocket. THAT'S HYPOCRISY in the worst degree! Neighbor, this nation is going down because of our pride, which has led

to an abundance of idleness, fullness of bread, which we have not shared with the poor and needy.

America is such a hypocritical nation. We crusade ourselves to the world as a humanitarian nation when we have shed innocent blood. It is that innocent blood we want to look at in the continuation of this article. You see, a proud an arrogant nation immersed in revelry, absorbed with evil thoughts and disinterested in the plight of their fellow man, sooner or later ALWAYS TURN TO VIOLENCE! The men of SODOM were VIOLENT! These two angelic strangers in Lot's house were not their "partners." They wanted to abuse these two. Had they not been struck with blindness, they would have stopped at nothing to have their way. That is where we are as a society. Our abundance and revelry has created a nation of flesh junkies. There is nothing sacred anymore. There is NOTHING that will prevent us from satisfying every CARNAL and animalistic desire we can contrive - even to the sanctity of human life and that is the BLOOD AMERICA has on its hands- HUMAN BLOOD. The two main areas of the shedding of innocent blood have come through abortion and our betrayal of the Jewish people in the Holocaust in the 1930s.

YES you heard me right on that last statement. America has been shoveling judgment into our closet with each act of anti-Semitism we have enacted upon our Jewish brethren and God is going to hold us accountable! That is the foundation for this "short" article - HA-HA! Those four sins are the ROOT of the problem - VIOLENCE and INNOCENT BLOOD ON OUR HANDS.

Neighbor, it's getting late friend. I have said this many times in the past and I will say it again. I don't know if America as a nation has any hope. I know some voices say that revival will come. I believe that but I also believe that revival will come as a result of tragedy and destruction. God cannot seem to talk to us any other way and that is a sad indictment on our country. I pray you are ready to meet Yeshua. There is no hope for tomorrow outside HIM. We are living in such times.

For too many years, America has shed innocent BLOOD! We have murdered for political reasons or for something so trivial as a little spare change. Perhaps the most atrocious murders, however, are being perpetrated under the protection of federal law and under the political cover of "PRO CHOICE." Since the Roe Vs. Wade decision in 1973, America has murdered over 25 million children. It's an old wound but one that needs to be addressed during this holiday season we celebrate our freedom in this year. These babies are not fetuses, they are not tissue. They are living, breathing human beings created in the image of Almighty God. The Lord told Jeremiah:

Jeremiah 1:5 - 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.

God Himself settled the issue of whether an unborn baby is a human or not and His call is IT IS! And neighbor the shedding of these innocent babies' lives are going to be brought into account on America's charge one day before an Almighty God in heaven. He has not forgotten a single one. Not one murdered baby when to heaven nameless, the Lord has them written on the palm of His hand! Yeshua warned us that to offend one of the "little ones" would be suicide for an individual. He said it would be better for us to put a millstone around our neck and cast ourselves in the sea.

The Life Is In The Blood

Lev. 17:11 - The life of the flesh is in the blood

There are many mysteries and miracles associated with the birth and life. One of those mysteries is the soul. The Bible says, "The life of the flesh is in the blood." The Hebrew word for "life" is *nephesh* and many times it is translated "soul." Therefore, Lev. 17:11 could be interpreted, "THE SOUL of the flesh is in the blood." Blood is comprised of more than just red and white cells, DNA and chromosomes. Blood contains an eternal life force, destined to spend eternity somewhere. Our souls contain our consciousness, our pattern of thought and our expression of it. God has given us the ability to express those thoughts through words. Put simply, our soul has a voice. Likewise, our blood has a voice also!

When Cain killed Abel, God said to Cain, "Where is your brother? THE VOICE of your brother's BLOOD cries up to me from the ground." (Gen. 4:10). Hidden within the Hebrew text is an interesting point. In the Hebrew text, the word "blood" should actually be interpreted as "bloods," plural. It should read, "Thy brother's bloods cry up to me from the ground." Most rabbinical commentaries teach that, by using the plural form of the word, the Scripture conveys the idea that Cain killed, not only Abel, but all of Abel's offspring that would have been born had he lived. Therefore it is not only Abel's blood crying out to God, but all of his descendant's blood cried out for vengeance as well. Thus, the rabbinic adage:

"When a person kills one man, it is as if he has killed an entire world!"

America's Conscience And The Voice Of The Shofar

Blow ye the trumpet (SHOFAR) in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain. (Joel 2:1)

In the Bible "horn" denotes "power" and "authority." Likewise, the shofar denotes the ram's horn and its associated sound denotes "POWER" and "REDEMPTION" because it was a RAM that was caught in the thicket when Abraham spared Isaac on the altar of Mt. Moriah. We must recognize for us to hear the sound of a shofar, an innocent gave up its life; then remember innocent blood HAS A VOICE. Every time we hear the shofar, the voice of innocent blood cries out to be heard. Churches across America have been led by God to incorporate the blowing of the shofar in their services. WHY?? One reason may be that God is using this a symbol to warn us HE IS SPEAKING TO US and the VOICE OF THE INNOCENT BLOOD America has on her hands is calling to Him from the ground of our nation.

Neighbor this is serious! Even without the events of 9-11-2001 it would be serious, but in LIGHT of those events it makes it imperative that we HEAR the voice of the Lord in this hour.

As stated before the shofar is a type of the substitution work of the Lord Yeshua - the PROMISED SEED - the power of the shofar becomes even more evident. The voice of the shofar becomes the voice of God HIMSELF calling to us to remember our sin and to REPENT. As we stated in Part One, America has not yet repented! Yes, she has learned how to cry out when tragedy strikes but she has not learned how to turn corporately from her national SIN! The shofar calls us to REPENT and be CLEANSED through the life-giving POWER OF YESHUA Ha'maschiah! Because so many refuse to hear the call, the carnage continues While you have read this article to this point- another innocent child has stained the conscience of a backslidden nation in some federally protected abortion clinic.

Abortion destroys many lives. It does not just destroy the life of the baby, but it destroys the life of the woman AND the man who was involved in creating the child. Some inherit physical scars, but most inherit emotional and mental wounds from their choices to end a baby's life. Abortion does not only destroy the life of one child, but every child who would have been born through that child's lineage. The Bible says, "ABEL BEING DEAD YET SPEAKS." (Heb. 11:4). That verse speaks of Abel's blood being a type of Yeshua's blood who would pay a debt of sin on the cross. Abel's blood cried for vengeance, Yeshua's blood cried for FORGIVENESS and healing! Oh, Praise God. Abel's innocent blood hit the ground CRYING to God for vengeance.

In the Tribulation, the forces of Antichrist will kill many innocent people and the blood of those saints will come up before the Lord. Even now in this time of history we live in the blood of THOUSANDS if not MILLIONS of martyrs have come up to the Lord. One of the decrees of judgment during the Tribulation upon

the beast worshippers will be "you have shed the blood of saints and now I have given you BLOOD to drink." The souls of the martyrs are under Heaven's Sea of Glass. They are crying out to God as we speak, "HOW LONG? HOW LONG?" Neighbor, that question is about to be answered soon and America does not want to know the contents of the reply from our Heavenly Father.

Rev. 6:10 - And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and **avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?**

The voice of innocent blood has God's attention. God will not allow His creation, fashioned in His own image, to be vandalized and thrown away like some piece of trash. There is a price that will be paid. HE WILL BE THE REVENGER OF INNOCENT BLOOD UPON THE EARTH AND UPON AMERICA!!!!!!

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There is a meeting America is headed towards with an angry God. Yes, He is a God of love but it's this same quality of God (LOVE) that burns inside of Him a deep passion for human life. When a person or a nation does not embrace that same passion they will be destroyed period! The value of human life, young and old, is far greater than anything this world has to offer. We must not be found guilty of condoning murder, for God will exact a great price of the nation that allows its children to be "passed through the fire." (Lev. 18:21)

Leviticus 18:21 - And thou shall not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the Lord.

One of the judgments in the Tribulation will be upon "Mystery Babylon." God will take vengeance upon her because she has "shed the blood the saints and prophets," and is "drunk" with the carnage of life.

Rev. 18:24 - And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

And I submit to you today that America is as guilty as Babylon right now in shedding the blood of prophets and saints. How many babies that were slain in

abortion clinics were destined to be preachers, prophets, teachers, evangelists, and apostles for God yet were never given a chance to make it out of their mother's womb? How many Godly saints that would have brought America back to God with their presence and testimony were butchered by some lost physician who cared not what the word of God said about killing innocent blood. NEIGHBOR, this is the millstone that America is about to pay a price for more than anything else in her national conscience. Yes homosexuality is wicked. Yes, pornography is a curse on the land. Yes, the high rate of immorality, sexual promiscuousness is something that beggars description. But the ROOT cause of all these sins is found in our bloodthirstiness to shed innocent blood.

Our sports venues reek with it. People want to see blood. The price of an average hockey game in America is \$60 a PERSON! WHY??? Because the people in the professional industry of hockey know Americans will pay whatever price to see BLOOD. That is why professional (???????????????? NOT!) wrestling draws such big crowds too. Neighbor, it's coming to an end soon and when it does we will be only be able to pray for God's mercy upon those who are left in the wake of what is coming.

THERE IS NO CRIME COMMITTED AGAINST GOD THAT BRINGS SUCH A SWIFT AND VENGEFUL RESPONSE AS DOES THE SHEDDING OF INNOCENT BLOOD AND THE MISHANDLING OF GOD'S CHOSEN PEOPLE - THE JEWISH RACE!! Let those statements sink into your spirit and heart. Look back at last fall prior to the events of September 11. On August 11, 30 days before the attacks our President agreed to fund stem cell research on the tissues of dead embryos. These embryos were ones that were taken from women who had killed babies during the Partial Birth Abortion process. It was on that same day our President rebuked Israel for lacking restraint after a bombing at a local pizza parlor in Jerusalem. Thirty days after a callous decision on human life and a rebuke of Israel America suffered tragedy. And neighbor the tragedy we suffered on September 11, 2001 was a walk in the park compared to what is decreed against this nation if we don't repent and we don't repent QUICK. HEAR WHAT I SAY TO YOU.

The School Shootings Of The Late 1990s

It is the belief of several prophetic people and myself who does not even claim to be one such person, that the slayings and shootings across America's schools in the late 1990s were a direct result of America's abortion stand. We are a violent nation. In Jonesboro, Arkansas, an 11 and 13-year old killed classmates and teacher. In Littleton, Colorado, on the day of Adolph Hitler's birthday (how sick is that?) two demon possessed teens killed 13 people. One of their victims was a young woman, who was asked, "Do you believe in God?" When she said, "YES", and added, "You need to follow his path," they quickly shot her in the

head. Her blood cries out for vengeance! But neighbor not only her blood but also our children who have become so violent before our eyes rebuke us for the shedding of innocent blood in the nation. THE REVENGER OF BLOOD prepares to go through this land, and there is no place to hide.

China's Abortion And America's Future

Nita Johnson, a dear friend of ours, shared something with me recently that sent cold chills up my spine. It started with a dream my wife Lisa had concerning our son Caleb. The scene was post-nuclear after there had been a nuclear explosion. Martial law had been declared. It was like people were scrounging for food and clothes were torn. In the dream, Lisa and our neighbor were both pregnant. We were hiding her along with Lisa because we knew it was against the law to have any more children. Somehow the military police found out about her and they came and drug her away. Lisa got away in the dream and was running and running and running and running but they were after. It was here Lisa woke up in cold sweats and fear.

I shared this dream with Nita Johnson a few months later and told her I didn't understand it other than feeling God was sending a warning dream about something future that is coming. Nita then shared with me a visitation she had had with Yeshua Himself over 10 years ago. Yeshua came to her one night in the flesh and told her that if America did not cease from killing babies that forced abortions were coming upon this nation just as they are in CHINA! At the time Roe v. Wade was about 10 years old and the bloodletting had already hit in record numbers. But we are 30 years now in the future of that and God only knows the numbers of those butchered in the name of greed, and selfishness. NEIGHBOR THE REVENGER OF BLOOD IS COMING! HE IS COMING and there is going to be retribution unlike we have ever seen in this nation. We are going to reap what we have sown!

Biblical Examples Of Blood Revenge

The stories of the Old Covenant were given to us as examples. There are several examples I want to briefly look at to show you a pattern of what happens when a nation sheds innocent blood.

Egypt

Everyone knows from childhood the story of Egypt and the Pharaoh. There arose a Pharaoh that "knew not Joseph" (Ex. 1:8). The king feared the Hebrews would become more powerful enough to sweep the dynasty he represented from

power. Like the evil demagogue who would follow him in history, he enslaved the Hebrew people and forced them to live in the ancient equivalent of concentration camps. Not satisfied with this, he came up with the first ever version of the "final solution." He demanded that all the midwives kill all newborn Hebrew males. For fear of God, the midwives refused. Pharaoh then commanded:

Exodus 1:22 - And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

Apparently this began to happen because one Hebrew midwife hid her newborn son, Moses, in the reeds of the Nile. There is no estimate of how many babies became food for the crocodiles, but their BLOOD CALLED OUT TO GOD for retribution. Many years later when the judgment began to fall, one of the FIRST things God's judgment came upon was the NILE - the life source of all EGYPT. God turned the rivers into BLOOD as if to illustrate to Egypt why He was there to judge.

Exodus 7:17-20 - Thus saith the Lord, In this thou shalt know that I am the Lord: behold, I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood. [18] And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river. [19] And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone. [20] And Moses and Aaron did so, as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

The king of Egypt shed the blood of innocent Hebrew babies and the REVENGER of BLOOD gave them blood to drink. This same type retribution will take place during the TRIBULATION.

Rev. 16:6 - For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

God was not through. When it came time for Israel to leave Egypt God saved His last judgment to fall upon the second source of Egypt's life - HER CHILDREN! From every household, including the palace of Pharaoh came wails of lament as each family discovered the lifeless form of their firstborn child. Egypt had been so UNCONCERNED for the sanctity of Hebrew life by tossing babies into the NILE God returned it upon their heads.

Neighbor, where do you think America stands in this equation? It's a scary thought!!

The Collapse Of Jericho

When Joshua and Israel crossed over the Jordan to take possession of the Promised Land, there was only one city where God caused the walls to fall down. That city as we know was JERICHO. The question is why just this one city??

According to recent archaeological excavations and bible teachers, the remains of Jericho showed a wall containing the bones of an infant. Evidently, the inhabitants of Jericho were members of a religious cult, which practiced ritual sacrifice and offering their children to a pagan idol. After the child had been sacrificed, they would place the body into a jar and enclose the vessel into the city walls for "good luck." The blood of innocent children cried out from those walls! That is why the REVENGER OF BLOOD brought Jericho DOWN!

Again, in light of America's dealings with her children, where do we stand with God? Could it be that the destruction of our Pentagon last year was a sign to us that our "defense" against those wanting to destroy us is as only good as our faith in GOD? Not even the symbol of our strength could protect us from what happened on September 11, 2001.

The Walls Of Jerusalem And A.D. 30

The Lord had commanded the children of Israel through Moses that "passing your children through the fire," was forbidden. It is strange yet sad that one of the wisest men in the world - SOLOMON - broke the command and allowed his children to be offered up to MOLOCH and to be "passed through the fire." Some 400 years later, the Babylonians surrounded the walls of Jerusalem and destroyed the city - including Solomon's temple - burning it to the ground. Solomon used fire to destroy children and when God allowed judgment to come upon the city, Jerusalem was itself engulfed in flames.

During Jesus' day He warned Jerusalem through tears that "upon you may come all the RIGHTEOUS BLOOD shed upon the earth, from the blood of the righteous Abel to Zecharias whom ye slew between the porch and the altar."

Matthew 23:35-37 - That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the

altar. [36] Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. [37] O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that kills the prophets, and stones them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

Jesus said "RIGHTEOUS BLOOD." **In other words, innocent blood.** The slayers had no justifiable reason to kill these godly people. Notice he also said "from Abel to Zecharias." He was announcing the bloodshed of 4,000 years was coming upon one generation and upon one city. They rejected light (YESHUA) and were plunged into darkness. Within a generation, the words of Jesus came to pass for in A.D. 66, the Romans laid siege to the city. Before it was over, mothers were eating their children!. After three years of siege, the Roman legions breached the city's fortifications and destroyed the wall. They entered in and set FIRE to the Temple.

The Land Becomes Cursed When We Shed Innocent Blood

The Torah makes it clear. When innocent blood is shed and there is no repentance, then the land becomes cursed. This law was established in Deuteronomy 21. If a man was found dead near a city, then the elders of that city had to go to the closest city and meet with the elders there. In the presence of witnesses, they were to slay a heifer, then take a bowl of water and wash their hands with the blood of the heifer mingling with the water. They then declared they were innocent of the blood of the slain man. If they refused this law, then God cursed the land.

Three times Pilate declared Jesus innocent and just. He then washed his hands in the presence of a crowd. Every Jewish member of that crowd that day knew the importance of what Pilate was doing. They cried "HIS BLOOD BE UPON US and upon our children." Because Yeshua was an innocent man, the land of Israel came under a curse. In His compassion He prayed for forgiveness upon those who were guilty. With this simple prayer Jesus removed the curse from these individuals but the curse on the land remained intact. For the past 2,000 years the land has been the scene of the bloodiest conflicts ever known to man. More innocent blood has been lost and shed (many Israeli lives) over this stretch of land than over any other particle of land in the entire world.

Right now as I write this our country's own land is battling raging forest fires in the west. Southern California is suffering one of its worst droughts EVER. Texas is battling floodwaters that are forcing thousands to flee. Florida has

battled massive fires in its past. The interesting note is that it is these three states that lead the nation in abortion rates! California was the state where the first argument came calling for the killing of innocent babies. Many prophetic people do not paint a nice picture for the future of California. The reason why? Because the REVENGER OF BLOOD is about to call into account America's bloody past. The shedding of innocent blood will be our noose.

America's Walls Of Protection

The pattern has been established in scripture. Abortion is nothing more than legalized murder. There is a fraction of adult society that things nothing of physically and sexually abusing our children. The recent headlines concerning the Catholic Church have told us this. But this is not just the scourge of the Catholic Church. The sexual perversion of priests is a horrible by product of a society gone mad with violence and the shedding of innocent blood. Sexual perversion is just a result, a fruit, not the root.

America shall not escape judgment. As a nation, we will face the same judgments that ransacked ancient empires such as Egypt and Jericho. God's voice will allow our hedge of protection, the walls around America, to fall violently. Just as sure as the shofar blasts FLATTENED the walls of Jericho, the voice of innocent blood will bring the walls of our nation DOWN, make no mistake. Just as Pharaoh's ARMY PERISHED IN THE WALLS of the Red Sea, so too will this mighty nation feel God's wrath if we don't repent. The timing of this repentance is KEY. Maybe 10 years ago we had space to repent - now it's either REPENT NOW or perish! God has sent the warning judgment on September 11 2001. The real judgment is not far behind.

Naturally the walls of our nation are the east and west coasts of our country. The judgment that shall come will be with water and fire! Storms will brew off the waters off of both coasts. These storms will bring torrents of rain and violent winds. This combination will erode and, in time, destroy much of the coastal areas of America. In Sodom, it was the cities of the plain, the COASTAL PLAIN that felt the heat of God's anger!

The other extreme will be drought. And thirdly it will be FIRE. THINK OF WHAT I AM SAYING TO YOU RIGHT NOW. In America on the 6th of July 2002 the leading headlines of the day were: "Thousands Flee Flood Waters In Texas; Southern California Dealing With Severe DROUGHT; and "Wildfires RAVAGE Western USA." Neighbor is there any clearer signal we are being warned by God to repent???

America's Children

Egypt's lust for control and power seduced them into thinking that that could murder children and get away with it. They mingled innocent blood with the waters of the NILE. Years later, God stirred up that blood and made them drink of it. In the end it was upon Egypt's FIRSTBORN (the children) that God sent the final judgment that delivered Israel.

Because Jericho did not hesitate to destroy the lives of innocent children for the sake of their own lusts, God pronounced that the city and all its inhabitants were CURSED. (Joshua 6:17). God instructed Joshua that NO ONE, whether they be young or old, save the harlot Rahab should live. That means that many of the inhabitants of Jericho saw the CHILDREN slain.

The inhabitants of Jerusalem and their leaders partook of the ghastly ritual that required the lives of their innocent children. These people were not pagans; they were people who knew GOD! They had witnessed His mighty display of power and might. How could they have possibly been seduced into thinking that they could get away with this? They caused their children to "pass through the fire." In the end Jerusalem BURNED in flames as the Babylonians and Romans laid siege to her twice within 750 years of her history. (606B.C. and 30 A.D.)

Judgment is intended to bring people to REPENTANCE. If we don't turn from our arrogance and sin we will suffer calamity. Hear what I say to you. This is not the last journal addressing this issue but this is where I'm going to close here. Neighbor it's getting LATE. It's getting more than late - we're in the fourth quarter - the two-minute warning has sounded. The SHOFAR has sounded - the inhabitants of the land HAVE BEEN WARNED. You can turn a deaf ear to this - laugh it off and make fun of it. But I believe if you have even made it this far through this article you love God and are concerned about what He is saying. He is saying to America- "YOU HAVE BLOOD ON YOUR HANDS" and the REVENGER OF BLOOD is about to visit us. We are reaping a horrible price through our children.

Three years ago it was school shootings. Today it's national abductions. People are walking into homes and yanking our children from us and killing them. A spirit is loose in the land. If we don't turn around and repent for the innocent blood in this nation our CHILDREN will wind up being the ultimate price we will pay for our insolence.

I haven't touched the second reason of why a nation is judged by shedding innocent blood - and that is the betrayal and slaughter of the Jewish people. That's another journal for another time.

It's time to repent; it's time to change. On this fourth of July holiday season, 2002, neighbor, it's time to take up a wailing for America and lament in sackcloth and ashes for our condition. Shalom and love in HIM. Amen.

Heavenly Father in Jesus name, FORGIVE US LORD right here and right now as a nation and as individuals who have indulged themselves in pride, abundance of idleness and fullness of bread. Forgive us for not strengthening the hands of the POOR and needy. Lord we need your help in removing the curse off this land before it is too late. Only through the BLOOD of Yeshua can we see forgiveness and cleansing. Help us to repent and turn back to You before it's too late. Amen.