What our READERS SAY

Make a Book of it!

'Thank you for continuing The Plain Truth. You certainly must publish the Evolution Series in book form — with colour illustrations — it would be worth its weight in gold! As a research scientist I appreciate your honest approach to this matter and would value a set of reprints of articles if you have them.'

Scientist, United Kingdom

... We're working on the project now.

Biologist on Evolution

"While I am a trained biologist and perhaps, therefore, a trained skeptic, I do not so far disagree with anything your magazine promulgates, whether on Biblical interpretation, news forecasting, or cross-examination of science in the light of religion. In fact, risking a label of iconoclast, I am warned to see someone effectively storms the Citadel of Darwin. I believe that science can, must, and will someday agree with religion."

Charles C., Flagstaff, Arizona

... Thanks, Charles — and many a scientist has stormed the Citadel of Darwin — which is no longer standing.

It's a Religion

"I have but one complaint, and you have heard from me before on this subject. Why knock evolution so much? You seem to think it is a religion! Well, I'm sure it's not. Someone can believe in it, but this belief is not like a belief in God."

Wayne M., Cresco, Iowa

... Apparently you're not up on the "latest" comments of evolutionists. We quote:

"Dr. Harold C. Urey, Nobel Prize-holding chemist of the University of California at La Jolla, explained ... all of us who study the origin of life find that the more we look into it, the more we feel it is too complex to have evolved anywhere. And yet, be added,

'WE ALL BELIEVE AS AN ARTICLE OF FAITH that life evolved from dead matter on this planet.'" (Christian Science Monitor, January 3, 1962.)

Another publication reporting on the same meeting said: "Dr. Harold C. Urey ... said that with him it is an 'article of faith' that life was spontaneously generated in the primeval oceans of 3½ billion years ago. He said this belief is THE SCIENTIFIC BASIS on which scientists today are trying to find out just how it was done." (Copley News Service, January 3, 1962.)

What else is this than blind faith — just the same as most religions have. Incidentally, we don't 'take it on faith' that God exists. We PROVE God exists!

The Riots

"I just received the June and August issues of The Plain Truth. Thank you very much for sending them. It was sincerely difficult to swallow the truth about race riots. I am a Negro and I love my 'brothers' and 'sisters' so much that I am now crying because these things, as terrible as they are, are happening and it seems as though we are not going to stop. I thank God that I know the truth. I am free from these inspirations to pre-judge, hate, burn, and destroy. I would still gladly give my life if my people could be turned from their ways."

Ronald E. M., New Iberia, Louisiana

"I'm a very poor Negro. Admittedly much of it is due to my own lack of perseverance, but I'm so thankful for having been born in America."

Lois W., Danville, Virginia

Autobiography

"Thank you for the resumption of the Autobiography in The Plain Truth. It really reveals the difficulty experienced in founding the college (Continued on page 16)."
Personal from the Editor

If you were I, what would you write about? If you had the responsibility — and the privilege — of writing this column every month, what would you say to the two or three million people who read it?

You, yourself, are one of those two or three million — reading this column now. I am in my office, on the Texas campus of Ambassador College. Another college year is starting. After orientation and entrance exams of new incoming freshmen on the Pasadena campus last week, I flew over here for orientation and entrance exams of the new freshmen on the Texas campus. Also I wanted to meet personally the new students here. At noon today I must leave for the overseas flight to the British campus. The new college year over there begins next week.

And what should I write about? There is no end of things that I would like to write about. But surely nothing is more vital and needful to our readers — and nothing should be of more interest right now — than a report on the state of the world at this minute.

I pick up a Dallas morning newspaper. Do I find good news? Not at all! More than 160,000 Ford automobile workers in 25 states have just left their jobs on strike — at war — an industrial war! A pair of teen-age “hippies,” cuddled down to spend the night on the grass in New York’s Central Park, were attacked by two men. The boy, known to the runaway 15-year-old girl only as “the poet,” was stomped and beaten into unconsciousness. The girl was twice raped.

More hundreds of American soldiers have been killed in the Vietnamese War. Deluges set off new Texas floods. And the only nonviolent news on the front page: President Johnson flies to the LBJ Ranch in Texas for a short rest.

That’s a sample. That’s today’s world scene.

Violence, mob violence, war, strife, rapings, murders, crime, teen-age delinquency, the leaders of tomorrow hopeless, frustrated, rebelling against society in general and everything in particular. For about five minutes this morning I tuned in the television news. It was the same — violence, murder, crime, weather disasters. But the network “commercial” plugged a series of “constructive” documentaries soon to appear. These documentaries are going to show the nation what lies ahead — the dazzling, glittering, joyous future of idleness, ease and luxury being planned by science, the “world messiah.”

The documentaries will show medical “cure-alls” just ahead — utilizing atomic energy for healing, instead of destruction. These documentaries will carry the viewing public through 1968, on into the 1970’s, the eighties, the nineties, and the fantastic twenty-first century now “assured” by modern science!

Beautiful dream!

Only it isn’t going to happen that way!

Let’s come down to earth. Let’s look at facts as they are!

Over half of the people in this world are living today in starvation and semi-starvation — in ignorance, poverty and squalor. It is only a few, comparatively, who live in the affluency to afford the gadgetry being dreamed up by modern science. And they seem to forget the wretched majority of unhappy mankind.

It seems they also overlook the rising tide of mental illness, drug addiction, broken homes and divorce, crime, riots, violence, even in our affluent nation.

Not all juveniles and delinquents are “hippies.” Only a minority — now! But their numbers are increasing. Alarming! These youths who must be tomorrow’s adult leaders see no future

Our Cover

West Germany’s Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger, hat in hand, at military airport near Rome, steps off jet and is met by Italian Honor Guard. Kiesinger’s arrival for Common Market Conference marked tenth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome which brought into being the EEC.
— only frustration. They see no purpose.

No meaning to life! They have a wrong sense of values. And they are in rebellion against the way of peace, happiness, and abundant well-being.

If we have the wit to see, humanity is degenerating at accelerating speed. Even nature is erupting, in violent weather, drought and floods, earthquakes and forest fires. More and more nations are developing the atomic and the hydrogen bombs. It is now in man’s power to blast all human life from this earth!

At that point I was interrupted in this writing. There was no opportunity — before leaving the Texas campus — to get back to you who are reading this. I was driven to our own airstrip on campus, where a small twin-motor prop plane was waiting. Perhaps fifty students and faculty members were gathered there to see me off. Included were my son Garner Ted, his wife Shirley and three boys; and my "son and daughter" Ben and Lois Chapman, with nine-year-old grandson Richard David II, with a good-bye hug along with the other grandchildren.

I was flown to Dallas Airport — "Love Field," and soon on an American Airline 707 jet for New York.

At "JFK" — John F. Kennedy International Airport — our overseas advertising agent and his charming wife were waiting for me. They drove me to an airport hotel where we had dinner and a long talk. We discussed the broadcast situation on stations outside North America, around the world, and renewing the purchase of double-page advertising space in Reader’s Digest.

They left. I slept, rising to arrive at Pan Am departures, check in, and spend an hour in the Clipper Club Lounge before loading the new "707" at 10:00 a.m. for London.

Well, here I am at the keys of my typewriter on the British campus — where I have written so many articles and letters for our Plain Truth readers.

So back to the state of the world as of now!

The news is no different in London newspapers. The state of the world is the same. Here are today’s front page headlines: "Boy Accused of Killing Schoolmate"; "5 Die in Lorry Over Cliff"; "Hurricane Heads for Jamaica"; "Plea to Killer by Christine’s Mother"; "Indians and Chinese Clash on Border"; "Hanoi Assails U.S. Move for Peace"; "Cyprus Talks Fail to Win Direct Accord"; etc., etc., etc.

What’s wrong? Is there no hope for a better world?

There is! But this good news finds no space on newspaper front pages.

If the world is sick today, there has to be a cause!

There is a cause for every effect! You may appraise every major facet of the world’s civilization, as Garner Ted Armstrong and I did in the booklet, The Wonderful World Tomorrow. Examine the world’s education; its science and technology; its commerce and industry; its system of government; its social order; its religion. And if you view them objectively as they are — if you check their fruits — you have to conclude they are decadent. All are weighed in the balance of righteousness and found wanting.

They are ready to die!

Where have these systems of civilization brought us?

What is the actual state of the world today?

When we take a realistic, hard look at conditions and trends, they point inexorably to a fast-approaching world crisis of combined nuclear war that can annihilate all human life, rapidly accelerating crime and violence, total immorality, worldwide famine and uncontrollable disease epidemics, wholesale starvation.

Science has no solution! No government has the solution! Man has no panacea — knows no way to reverse these trends!

Right now you — where you live — face two alternatives:

Either there does exist a living God who very soon will intervene in this world’s affairs, and by supernatural power save humanity from itself or the end of man’s existence will quickly descend upon us!

If you are convinced there is no God — then you have only one alternative — human extinction! Of course, until one of these alternatives does occur, you may hide your eyes from facts — close your mind to reality — live in your own little fool’s paradise. But it will be short-lived!

You won’t have long to wait — to see which alternative shall happen! For these world trends are hurtling toward their climax at rapidly accelerating speed!

I said there is always a cause.

The cause of these world tragedies now rapidly converging toward one grand-smash climax is — read this twice! — human nature, rebelling against the inexorable law of God!

In order to prevent unhappiness, suffering, strife, war, poverty, and all the ills that beset humanity, the Creator God set in inexorable motion a law — a way of life!

This law is the cause of — the way that will produce the effect of peace, happiness, abundant well-being!

Every evil humanity has ever suffered has been the result of transgressing this law! And even human nature itself transgresses this law — for human nature is vanity with its attributes: lust, greed, envy, jealousy, hatred.

And what is this law of God?

I can say it in one all-encompassing word — love!

But few, it seems, know the definition of love. Too many put a twisted, distorted definition on it.

Jesus summed it up in its two broadest subdivisions — love toward God and love toward human neighbor. The Ten Commandments magnify it a little larger: The first four tell us how to love God; the last six how to love fellowman. Jesus magnified it still farther. And the entire Bible is merely a magnification of these all-encompassing spiritual principles — of man’s transgressions — and of God’s plan of redemption and restoration to the joyous state which results from going the way of God’s law.

We must get to the cause!

This world — its society — its civilization as a whole — has ignored and (or) rebelled against the first cause of all that exists! Even those who acknowledge and profess to worship God, the First Cause, rebel against Him.

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COMMON MARKET BREAKTHROUGH!

The sweeping decisions of the top-level Common Market Meeting in Rome, Britain's second application to join the European Common Market, the hard-fought conclusion to the Kennedy Round of Tariff Negotiations and the continually worsening gold crisis—all these point to the nearness of a great disaster just ahead for our nations!

by Frank Schnee

The Roman Empire is being reborn! The Common Market nations made a great leap forward just a few months ago at Rome.

Watching the pomp and ceremony at that tenth anniversary Common Market Summit Conference in the so-called "Eternal City" drove that point home to me.

Many hardly noticed that Conference—newsmen didn’t realize its significance.

A New Breakthrough

The heads of the six Common Market nations assembled in Rome on the 10th anniversary of signing the Rome Treaty. They hoped the anniversary atmosphere would help them achieve the necessary breakthrough for a future political union in Europe.

This breakthrough was achieved!

The first step was taken. The gigantic decision was made to bring the European Economic Community, the Montan Coal and Steel Union and the European Atomic Energy Commission (Euromed) under one governing body. The new combined cabinet of ministers met for the first time on the afternoon of July 3 in Brussels.

That is the greatest step forward toward eventual political union since the EEC (the Common Market) was founded!

Only one man presently stands in the way of complete political union—Charles de Gaulle. But as one journalist recently said, "the French President does not have eternal life." Germans are patiently waiting for the day that De Gaulle passes from the political scene. They have declared that nothing will deter them from the goal of full political unification in Europe.

The Common Market at the present time includes a population of 182 million people. But out of this union we will soon see a politically and religiously unified 10-nation third world power bloc emerge. At that time the population of a United States of Europe may exceed 300 million people. Can you grasp what a gigantic trading power this will be?

Link Up With Africa

But Europe isn’t the only source of Common Market strength. Of the 38 independent African states, already 18 are associate members, and 15 others are currently seeking associate membership. The Common Market is pouring one-and-one-half billions in aid into these African associate nations.

Greece and Turkey are also associate members and Spain is seeking special links with the Market. Some are now talking about the Mediterranean soon becoming a Common Market lake.

Recently Norway, Ireland and Denmark made applications to join. The South and Central American countries are busy forming their own Common Market, which is to be closely tied to the European model. Indonesia and some of the Iron Curtain countries are making moves to become associate members.

Even Soviet Russia is striving for trade with the Common Market. What chance would the United States and Britain have against the lower labor-cost competition of this superpower bloc?

World leaders recognize that they must get inside the Common Market

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MOTH-EATEN EVOLUTION

Evolutionists claim moths provide proof of evolution IN ACTION. The truth is, they DISPROVE evolution entirely! Read the shocking truth about the moth-eaten theory of no God — and see with your own eyes more of the breathtaking marvels of Creation!

by Garner Ted Armstrong and Paul Kroll

HAVE WE been presenting an "UN-FAIR" view of evolution in these pages?

With the many thousands of letters expressing gratitude and enthusiasm for the articles on evolution, we have received a few of dissension.

None of the few objecting writers has ever explained ANY of the unanswerable difficulties for evolution we have presented. Not ONE has pointed out ANY specific error, misstatement, inaccurate quotation, or lack of research.

Evolution's Impossible Position

When we deal with 'survival of the fittest' one will criticize us for neglecting "micromutations." When we deal with 'natural selection' one will wonder why we did not cover "genetic leaps."

The truth is — evolution is IMPOSSIBLE TO PRESENT in any coherent, cohesive, WHOLE FORM. The truth is, EVOLUTIONISTS do not know how to present it in any form that could be called SENSIBLE, and COMPLETE. The truth is, the theory is a MAZE of incompleteness, of inadequate hypotheses, of guesses, disagreements, and arguments between evolutionists themselves.

But we HAVE presented factual, THOROUGHLY researched TRUTHS concerning many of the strange and marvelous creatures around us — and have shown the utter inability of the evolutionary theory to account for them.

Our Ambassador College libraries contain every major and significant work published on evolution right up through the last months of this year. Our researchers are thorough. On our staff are MANY scientists in MANY fields.

Obviously, it is impossible to present all the arguments of evolution in their entirety in any one article, or even a series of articles. But each article DOES DISPROVE another facet of the evolutionary theory.

Not all the letters we receive from those who believe in evolution are blind prejudice. Some few actually and sincerely want to know the answers to questions they have not been able to solve for themselves.

So, in this article, we give you excerpts from one such letter — and the thoroughly researched, SCIENTIFIC answers!

Here is the letter, concerning moths, and evolution:

A Good Question!

"I would like to know more about your position on evolution. Those who support evolution have what appears to be a rather strong argument, and I would like to know in full the grounds on which you refuse it."

"According to Young, Stebbins and Brooks, in the book, Introduction to Biological Science, pages 493-494: "'Certain steps in evolution . . . have taken place so recently that we have HISTORIC records of them. One example, is the evolution of dark-colored . . . moths which inhabit the industrial areas of northern and western Europe."

'About a century ago, the common species of moths in these regions were mostly PALE in color. DARK forms occurred in a few species as very rare aberrant types.

'A few years later, however, a gradual increase in the frequency of the dark forms began and at the present time they are more common in the industrial regions than are the pale moths of the SAME SPECIES. In country districts, however, the dark forms are still rare."

"The dark forms apparently have ALWAYS occurred as rare mutants.'/"

(Emphasis throughout quote is ours and its significance will be explained later in the article.)

This man's letter ended on this note:

"Much more could be said, of course, but there's no point in going on . . . the point is this:

'Evolutionists are not a bunch of dummies whose case rests on sand. They are, as a group, sincere, thoughtful, intelligent people and what they propose is based on a very large body of impressive evidence.

'No THOUGHTFUL PERSON would be satisfied to push them aside as a crowd of dogmatic stupes grasping at straws.

'I'm looking forward to hearing from you and to receiving a detailed explanation of your position."

We have never said evolutionists are a "bunch of dummies." We HAVE only said, "The FOOL has said in his heart. 'There is no God!'" (Psalm 53:1).

But evolution is the product of in-

Kroll (left) Gentry — Ambassador College

YUCCA PLANT-PRONUBA MOTH

Left, wife and baby of co-author, Paul Kroll, sit next to yucca to show size of plant and flowers. Right, strip series shows species of Pronuba moth pollinating yucca flower. The moth is the sole pollinator of the yucca. The moth depends on development of yucca seeds to feed its brood. One cannot exist without the other. A perfect case of symbiosis — showing interdependency of life — proof that God created them together!
telligent men. Obviously, its arguments will seem reasonable. Every untruth begins with a false premise which is in turn carelessly taken for granted.

Once an unsuspecting student has taken for granted that the origin of the universe, and of the solar system, the origin of the earth, and the beginning of life is an accident — once he has sidestepped the mammoth issues involved in such occurrences — he begins imagining he sees a relationship in living creatures from "simple" to "complex."

Once the false premise is established, and he has left the real trunk of the tree — he then begins investigating deeply into the "twigs" of the theory.

Micromutations, comparative anatomy, comparative embryology, biology, many other related fields appear — because they are the result of research by intelligent men — to be "proofs" to unsuspecting people.

But they are not proofs. They are reasonings from analogies which are based upon a totally false premise which was carelessly taken for granted.

We have shown in the past how evolutionists admit they do not want to step into the "realm of theology." They do not like to retain God in their knowledge (Rom. 1:28).

But now back to the questions raised in the letter.

Of course many evolutionists are sincere. We have not, and do not question their sincerity! We do not question their mental powers, or their intelligence quotient. But we do utterly reject and disprove their theories! We have not pushed aside their arguments — but have thoroughly researched all of them — the best of them — the very latest of them — and have found them consistently wanting!

**Intellectual Pressure**

Realize one important fact! The public today finds itself subjected to a great deal of intellectual pressure concerning evolution.

The average student — especially in the life sciences — is subjected to a very subtle form of brainwashing. This same student, upon graduation, then teaches his students to believe the same false principles his teachers have taken for granted as true.

In time, an entire generation — in all walks of life — have had false premises funnelled into their unsuspecting minds. Any new facts coming into those minds are judged and interpreted in the light of those false ones already in the mind.

In the realm of nature — including life, matter, energy, laws — two foundational principles are customarily accepted by the professional people.

They are:

1) There is no God or Supernatural Being responsible for the presence of matter, energy, life — or whatever we see in the material world.

2) Everything we see around us — especially life — has evolved.

All voices to the contrary are pushed up as "superstitious," "ignorant" or "unscientific."

In both the Ambassador College News Bureau and Science Research Department we have many, many quotes demonstrating this attitude. It's common knowledge.

Harlow Shapley claims, "There is no need for explaining the origin of life in terms of the miraculous or supernatural" (Science News Letter, July 3, 1963). Julian Huxley would have us believe, "There are three possible alternatives as regards to the origin of living substances on this earth... it was (1) supernaturally created... the first suggestion runs counter to the whole of our scientific knowledge.

"To postulate a divine interference with these exchanges of matter and energy at a particular moment in the earth's history is both unnecessary and illogical" (Evolution In Action, pages 20-21).

Theodosius Dobzhansky flatly states, "All... changes have arisen from causes which now continue to be in operation, and which therefore can be studied experimentally."

"At present, an informed and reasonable person can hardly doubt the validity of the evolution theory... WE TAKE IT FOR GRANTED" (Genetics and the Origin of Species, page 11).

George Gaylord Simpson writes, "But now that we know evolution is a fact, we can no longer accept... adaptation as reflecting the purpose of a Creator manifested in the separate creation of each species of plant or animal" (This View of Life, George Gaylord Simpson, page 193).

Yet Dean W. Wooldridge admitted, "Science can never tell us why the natural laws of physics exist or where the matter that started the universe came from. It is good that our ancestors invented the concept of the supernatural, for we need it if we are to answer such questions.

"While the physical scientist has not been able to dispense completely with the concept of the unexplainable or supernatural, he has at least managed to consign it to a corner of his mind where it does not greatly interfere with his day to day activities" (Machinery of Life, page 4).

**Interpreting the Facts**

The above illustrates a common attitude among many biologists, paleontologists, zoologists, astronomers and other scientists. Any facts they discover — and there are a plethora of them — are interpreted in the light of these two false foundations: 1) There has been no intervention in the course of nature by any Supernatural Being; 2) All things have evolved.

For example, we see all life is marvelously fitted for its environment and ecological niche. What does this prove?

Since evolutionists already believe creation is a myth and evolution is a fact — they assume this is proof of evolution.

We don't assume evolution is true. We don't assume that the physical world, including life, has not been created.

We can prove — based on a very large body of impressive evidence — that God created the whole universe and that evolution is a myth!

**What About the Moths?**

"Fine," you say, "perhaps there is a Creator God—but what about these new dark moths? The authorities tell us they show evolution in action."

Well, what about these dark moths?

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When, on November 21, 1957, my younger son, Garner Ted, was made Vice-President of the whole Work, and of Ambassador College, this action triggered an immediate reaction in the mind of my elder son, Richard David.

In the preceding installment I mentioned that by 1957, Ted's skyrocket spiritual and mental development had carried him past his elder brother in this Work. Ted was then carrying a good share of the daily broadcasting.

Also it was mentioned that, even though Ted had sped past Dick in usefulness to the Work, Dick had, from the beginning of 1950, begun to really "come to life" spiritually, and was making rapid progress in personal life — especially after his marriage in June, 1957.

Ted's appointment as Vice-President hit Dick like an electric shock. He came to me.

"Dad," he said seriously, "Ted's appointment shocked me into realizing several things. I am glad you did it. I know it was the wisdom of Christ who heads and guides this Work. But it made me realize that I should have had the appointment. I mean I should have qualified for it, because I am a year and four months older than Ted, and I have been in Ambassador College and in this Work since 1947 and Ted only since 1952. This awakened me to see so plainly it hurts that I simply didn't make as much progress as I could, and should have through those five years of head start that I had. This has shaken me into a determination to put every effort within me into making better progress from now on. I'll put every effort into making up for that lost time."

And Dick kept his word. He had been making good strides for a year. But now he went to work on himself in earnest. He had — as does everyone — personal faults and problems to overcome. He applied himself to his work with increased energy and vigor.

One thing he had already started, without my knowledge. He was trying to keep it a secret from me — and he succeeded well. He had started with the fall semester at college taking voice lessons. Ted had taken voice, and had become the best baritone in college. I had tried to encourage Dick to develop his singing voice. But he only protested that he had no singing talent.

In May, near the close of the 1957-58 school year, our Department of Music faculty were unusually urgent that Mrs. Armstrong and I be present at the recital of first-year music students. There were both piano and voice numbers. Hardly professional, but not bad for beginners with only nine months' training.

We didn't suspect anything, but the final number on the program was their surprise for us. It was Dick's first public performance as a baritone. It was a triumphant moment for Mr. Leon Ettinger, Professor of Voice and Director of the Ambassador Chorale. He enjoyed hugely our shocked surprise at the quality of Dick's singing voice. He and Dick had worked hard through the school year for this moment. While Dick had not yet had voice training equal to Ted's, he sang with a rich, full and strong voice that gave promise of excelling Ted's.

To use a slang phrase, he "came by it honestly." He didn't inherit the splendid singing voice that he exhibited from me, for I have no singing voice at all. But my father did have an exceptionally fine deep bass voice. My two sons, (as I knew once I had heard Dick sing) and my elder daughter, inherited very good singing voices.

Broadcast Expands

By January, 1958, The World Tomorrow program was being broadcast over every continent on earth. We were using more than four million watts of radio power every week. We were reaching Red China over Chiang Kai-shek's superpower station on Taiwan (Formosa), just off the Chinese mainland. We were broadcasting from Okinawa, from Mozambique into the Republic of South Africa, and into India, over into Burma and the East Indies, and into Eastern Africa by the three superpower beams of Radio Ceylon, besides Radio Luxembourg, world's most powerful station in Europe — and beamed over the British Isles.

These were very powerful stations — reaching out as far as two thousand miles, covering vast areas. With our coverage in South America, we were reaching out over areas containing approximately half of the entire world's population. This included popula-
tions 170 million in North America; 35 million in South America; 110 million in Europe and Britain; 25 million in Africa; 7 million in Australia; 619 million in Asia.

Of course I do not mean that that many people actually tuned in and listened to the broadcast—but that many could, if they all owned radio sets, and tuned in to hear it. That mounts up to a grand total of 966 million people—almost 1 billion! Actually, our estimate was that some 4 or 5 million actually did hear the program during an average week of broadcasting. But that's a vast audience!

But we knew well that we were only barely started!

The big growth was yet before us!

By September of that year—1958—another million watts of radio power per week had been added.

Most significant among the new doors of radio being opened to The World Tomorrow was the powerful KGO, San Francisco. This is one of the few AA-class 50-thousand-watt radio stations on the west coast that is heard clearly up and down the Pacific coast from Alaska to Mexico. We were given a good time, seven nights a week. Also newly added by that September were such valuable stations as WPIT, Pittsburgh; KGBX, Springfield, Missouri; and KWJJ, Portland, Oregon.

Also by October, that year, The Plain Truth had been increased to 32 pages. It had been printed in two colors since February, 1957. With the November, 1958, number we began publishing, serially, the Bible Story book written and illustrated by Basil Wolverton. By that time, the circulation of The Plain Truth had gone up to 175,000 copies.

During the early part of summer 1958, Mrs. Armstrong and I had driven once more back up to Oregon, for a period of fasting and rest on one of the Oregon beaches. Garner Ted was away from Pasadena, and Dick was left in command at Headquarters. In more ways than one he showed excellent executive ability and good judgment.

We returned to Pasadena after two or three weeks. By July, Garner Ted had opened an evangelistic campaign in Springfield, Missouri. He had taken along a team, including a song leader, one or two men to organize ushers and other such matters, and Mrs. Lucy Martin, head of the department of Music at the college, had gone along to play the piano.

It was along about this time that two significant events—occurrences that would seem incredible to many—directly involved Dick.

One, the birth of a baby. It was a most serious breech birth. The situation was becoming desperate, and since Dick was the ranking minister then at Headquarters, he was called in on the emergency. He drove immediately to the home where the baby was being delivered. The doctor and the nurse were near exhaustion—perhaps more of hope than physical—and the mother near physical exhaustion. Of course all Dick could do was pray but pray he did, and in faith. He kept reassuring the others but the situation was fast becoming hopeless.

Finally the doctor gave up hope, said there was nothing he could do, unless to take the baby by cesarean-section, which the family refused to allow. The doctor went home. The husband and the wife were counseled by Dick not to become frantic or to lose hope but to rely on God. Dick refused to lose faith. He continued to pray. And finally his faith was rewarded. The foetus turned over in the womb. The doctor was called back, and the baby was born in a normal manner.

The other incident, more amazing, involved a war veteran. He was paralyzed in his back, in his legs and both arms—helpless. He had to be moved in a wheelchair. The military hospitals had done everything for him that medical science could do. It was an incurable case. He was confined to helplessness for life, and put on a life pension for special financial support.

This man called for Dick to pray for him and ask God to perform a miracle, that he might be restored to a life of usefulness.

This was one of Dick's last acts. He did go to this man, and following the New Testament instruction in James 5:14-15, anointed him with oil, and laid hands on him as he prayed, asking the Eternal Creator to do what man was unable to do, and had pronounced impossible to be done.

This man, a former Yale football player, was healed, and quickly restored (Continued on page 41)
CAN A WEALTHY PERSON BECOME A CHRISTIAN?

Is it true that only poor people are likely to be “saved”? WHY are some people rich — and some poor?

by Roderick C. Meredith

A braham Lincoln is reputed once to have said: “God must love the poor because He made so many of them.”

Was Lincoln right?

It is commonly assumed that — because of certain Biblical passages, and because the poorer classes as a whole seem naturally to be more religious — God must prefer the poor to the rich. In fact, many people feel that material wealth itself is “sinful,” and a certain feeling of spiritual superiority often displays itself as they discuss the mistakes of their well-to-do neighbor whom they describe as “filthy rich.”

Are the poor, then, more righteous than those who have material wealth? Is the possession of riches a sin in itself?

God “Calls” the Poor

Regarding the poor, the apostle James was inspired to write: “Hearken, my beloved brethren, hath not God chosen the poor of this world [to be] rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?” (James 2:5.)

Notice James’ statement that the poor are to be “rich in faith.” The man with few material possessions naturally finds it easier and in fact almost necessary to develop faith in a higher power to work all things out for good. Without this faith, his brooding anxieties about the future might easily cause him to have a mental or emotional breakdown and possibly commit suicide!

On the other hand, the exact opposite is true of the wealthy man. Instead of faith, he is very likely to have what modern religio-psychologists term “self-confidence.” When stripped to its basic definition, this word means confidence in self instead of in God.

This same pitfall of the rich is emphasized in Mark 10:17-31 in the account of the rich young ruler. He was given the tremendous opportunity of becoming one of Jesus’ disciples — and later, possibly one of the apostles in the Church of the Living God. But when he refused because of material interests, Jesus made this statement: “How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God” (verse 23).

When asked if the rich could be saved at all, Jesus replied, “With God all things are possible” (verse 27).

Describing the Christian calling, the apostle Paul stated: “For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise... that no flesh should glory in his presence” (I Cor. 1:26-29).

God has chosen those — with a few exceptions — who are NOT the great, the mighty, the wealthy, the important men and women of this world. Rather, He has opened the minds and hearts of those who are less successful in this material life, who realize that they have very little strength or ability, who have very little to glory of in themselves.

Because they realize their own inadequacy, these are just about the only kind of people who will now accept God’s precious truth when it is offered them, who will be willing to repent of their ways and submit to God and His ways. By hard, cruel experience these people have come to know their great need of God and His wisdom and love.

But is the rich man a great sinner because his abilities in material things keep him from fully understanding this need for God? Is it God’s will that all His people be poor?

God Promises Blessings for Obedience

In Psalm 1:1-3, God describes the righteous man who obey His laws, and gives him this promise: “He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper” (verse 3).

God promised to ancient Israel material blessings for obedience (Deut. 7:11-15). If Israel would obey His righteous laws, God promised: “And He will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: He will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land... Thou shalt be blessed above all people” (verses 13-14).

In reading the lives of such men of God ‘as Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph, you will notice that as these men served God they were granted an abundance of material possessions and wealth.

Later, when God sent His Son Jesus Christ into the world to redeem mankind, He said: “I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly” (John 10:10). Christ came to show us the way to happy, joyous, abundant living!

Recorded as an example to us all, the apostle John was inspired to write Gaius: “Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth” (III John 2).

Prosperity, then, may often be God’s express will for a true Christian once
he has learned to put the kingdom of God first in his life. But prosperity does not usually come by chance. There are definite reasons why some men prosper and others do not.

How Does Prosperity Come?

Who is the most fantastically wealthy person in the universe? Do you know? Why, God is of course! "... whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine," says God (Job 41:11). "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts" (Haggai 2:8).

But what is the reason for God's right to control all this immense wealth and power? "For all those things hath mine hand made," God might well answer (Isaiah 66:2).

God has worked — God has labored — He has produced, created, and brought into being everything in this universe. "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work," said Jesus (John 5:17).

God is a worker — a laborer! He is busy — on the job 24 hours a day. He does His work with zeal. "The zeal of the Lord" is an expression used many times in the Bible.

And every real, Spirit-filled Christian is to be like God!

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5). The very mind of God which we receive through the Holy Spirit is the mind of the Planner, Creator, and Builder of the universe and of the One who sustains the universe and keeps it operating continuously in perfect order and harmony.

The product of God's mind reflects diligence, perseverance, ability, knowledge, and wisdom. It reflects the mind of one who has great understanding and self-mastery.

This is the kind of mind which can work for and produce great material wealth and can then wisely use and direct that wealth.

As true Christians — overcoming "self" and growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ — we are to develop that kind of mind. And as we yield to God's Spirit within us, we should grow in knowledge and wisdom to the point where greater material reward will automatically come our way.

Prosperity, then, usually comes through the exercise of wisdom, knowledge, zeal, and perseverance in our work or profession. These are not evil qualities — to be looked down on by those who are "just poor, humble folks."

False Idea of Humility

We should take time right here to explain the false concept some people have which actually causes them to be proud of their poverty. Many such people notice that very few of the rich are called to spiritual truth — whereas more of the very poor are. They also see and hear of a few examples of men who became wealthy through dishonesty and greed.

These poor people automatically assume, then, that all wealth is "tainted" — and is probably the result of sinful acts and thoughts. This idea produces in them a feeling of spiritual superiority, or — in plain language — spiritual pride and vanity.

Being blinded to the real nature of this feeling — as most of us are to our own sins — they fail to see this vanity in themselves. More often than not, they come to regard their lack of material goods as being synonymous with humility. Thus they often speak of themselves as "just poor, humble folks."

Such an attitude is not humility, but vanity — which God condemns. And such people would do well to repent and be really humble, and meek, and teachable. Then they might learn through God's Spirit how to exercise the good qualities of diligence, perseverance, dependability, and wisdom which those who have material goods have had to employ — even though they have sometimes misdirected their qualities and abilities because they lacked God's Spirit to guide them.

The right use of material wealth — and of the qualities which help produce it — is not wrong. Remember, God is no pauper!

On the contrary, the right use of wealth is fulfilling part of the very purpose for which we were placed on this earth. It is helping us to grow in right mental direction and character to become like God — like Christ, worthy of being born of the Spirit into the Supreme, Divine, world-ruling kingdom and family of God.

Jesus Christ said: "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (Matt. 5:48).

Develop Right Qualities

In the book of Proverbs, God warns us against the habits that would tend to produce poverty. He shows that an upright and diligent man will have a reasonable amount of material wealth.

Proverbs 6:6-11 gives us the example of saving ahead for a rainy day — and warns us against laziness: "How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard?" (Verse 9.)

God continues: "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich" (Prov. 10:4). "The hand of the diligent shall bear rule... The righteous is more abundant than his neighbour... The substance of a diligent man is precious" (Prov. 12:24, 26-27).

Notice how often Solomon was inspired to use the word "diligent" in describing a man who would be successful. This thought is repeated in Proverbs 13:4: "The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat."

We are further instructed on how to do our work in Ecclesiastes 9:10: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

Even the New Testament abounds with instruction on doing our work with zeal. Notice Colossians 3:22-24: "Servants [or laboring men], obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eye-service, as men-pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God. And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Then Paul continues to show that we are bound to be rewarded by God for our efforts — and we are to look to Him for our reward: "Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ" (verse 24).

In this age of strife and jealousy between labor and capital — when the prevailing attitude is to "get as much as you can and give as little as you can" — how many men really do their work with zeal, with wisdom, with diligence, and with all their might?
The Eternal God in His Word instructs us to do our work in this manner. If we yield to Him and develop these qualities within ourselves, He promises us material blessings here and now — and spiritual, everlasting blessings as well.

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As the apostle John wrote: "I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health." God has shown us the way to achieve that prosperity.

Why Desire Material Gain?

But many will ask, "Why should Christians want material wealth? As long as we have food, shelter, and clothing, we should desire nothing more except the spiritual gifts of God, shouldn't we?"

The answer to this question is both "yes" and "no." Certainly Paul was inspired to write Timothy: "And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare" (I Tim. 6:8-9). Then he continued: "For the love of money is a root of all evils" (verse 10, as correctly translated by Panin and others).

So money itself is not "the root of all evil"! It is the perverted love of money which is a root — one of many — "of all kinds of evils." The excessive love of money is often the cause of nearly every conceivable evil — of war, murder, robbery, kidnapping, adultery, lying and so on.

But Paul also wrote: "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Phil. 4:12-13).

In other words, there are times when a true child of God may have to give up his job, or flee persecution, or for some reason have to forsake his worldly possessions and rely on God for His promise of food and raiment — and perhaps not have much else for a time.

But there are many other times — under more normal circumstances — when a real Christian may best serve God by having a modest amount of material wealth, and by using it to be a good neighbor, to help those in need, and to give generously to the work of God.

Money is power. It can be a power for good — or for evil. In the hands of God — or in His Work — it is a tremendous power for good, resulting in thousands of people being really converted as begotten children of God. But when used for a selfish or greedy purpose, it can be a great power for evil — often resulting in the spiritual wreckage of its owner.

What Our Goal Should Be

As real Christians — with the true understanding of God's great purpose in our lives — our objective in this matter should be twofold. First, we should develop and exercise the qualities of diligence, dependability, and wisdom in our work because this is in itself a part of our Christian growth and character development — because these qualities will make us more like God, and more worthy of a position of great responsibility in His kingdom.

Second, we should apply these qualities in our jobs because we want to rightly employ the material wealth which they will bring us in compensation. We should want to serve and help others. And realizing the tremendous mission of God's Church is to preach His true message as a witness to every nation under heaven — we should earnestly desire the opportunity and ability to pay God larger amounts in tithes, and to give more generously in freewill offerings.

Jesus said: "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven... For where you treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Mat. 6:20-21).

In II Cor. 9:7-8, the apostle Paul exhorted the Corinthians to give bountifully. He wrote: "For God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you: that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." In other words, if your motive in getting material wealth is to give, then God will cause you to abound so that you might better serve in this manner. Of course, you have your part in this by working hard, and by asking God for wisdom and guidance.

Asking God for guidance, serving
Him in all things with our might, we shall then be blessed in material as well as spiritual things — and thus be able to pay an even bigger part in His work through paying tithes and giving generous offerings.

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Even our faithfulness in obeying God's titheing law brings a promise of further blessings and prosperity! For God has said: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Mal. 3:10).

Never forget. Even a justly earned prosperity may be stripped away from us if this prosperity causes us to forsake God — or if in His perfect wisdom He chooses to punish us in this way for any reason. So whether in times of prosperity, or in times of persecution and want through which all righteous Christians must go, remember Jesus' command: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things [our material needs] shall be added unto you" (Mat. 6:33).

But in this life, work hard. Accomplish, PRODUCE! Develop and use your talents and your time wisely.

Learn and practice the laws of success. For — rightly used — God is not against success and accomplishment! Rather, He is their great Author!

The cause of solving all of the world's ills!
How will He do it?

Just at the moment when mankind would commit cosmocide — annihilate all human life — God will step in with Supreme Divine Power. He shall send Jesus Christ once again back to this earth. Only, this time, He is coming in the supreme Power and Glory of Almighty God!

He is coming to RULE ALL MANKIND — all nations — with absolute FORCE — to set up WORLD GOVERNMENT — a super world-ruling kingdom — a literal KINGDOM OF GOD!

He will do these things:
1) Depose the invisible yet diabolical Satan who now sways this world by deception into transgressing God's Laws.

2) Set up God's government over all nations. It will be organized with those resurrected, or changed, from mortal to immortal at Christ's coming. That will include all who have, in this life, been spiritually begotten by the Holy Spirit of God and who have been led by God's Spirit — overcoming their own natures, growing in spiritual character during human lifetime more and more like Christ. Plus, so far as the enforcement of government goes, mankind will be forced to obey God's laws.

3) The reigning Christ will set His Hand to call the mortals of this world to real salvation. His true gospel will be made known to all! Man's mind will be opened to understand! There will be no opposing counterfeit religions, such as those that fill the world today, leading the millions into deception and false ways. By the thousands and the millions humans will be converted — will repent, turn to God's ways, receive His Holy Spirit.

4) There will be ONE CHURCH only, teaching the newly begotten children of God His ways, feeding them His Spiritual TRUTH, helping them overcome their human nature, filling them with God's Divine Nature.

5) There will be ONE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM only. The school systems of this world will be abolished. The universities of this world will be replaced by the educational system of The World Tomorrow, already in its pioneer years — through Ambassador College with its three campuses. We realize the Living Christ, when He appears in person, will make changes and improvements. We do not claim perfection as of now — but we do know that we are on the right track — the track that runs God's way!

There will be total reorganization of government, of commerce and industry, of science and technology, of religion, and of the social order!

The world will be ordered God's way! The rebellion will be put down! HUMAN NATURE WILL BE CHANGED!

Now recap:
The cause of all the world's ills is HUMAN NATURE transgressing the laws of God! God's Laws are the way that will cause peace, happiness, every enjoyable blessing, abundant well-being! Ignorance, illiteracy, poverty will be BANISHED! Sickness and disease will be eradicated! Crime will be wiped out! People will come to UNDERSTAND the truth about marriage. Divorce and broken homes will be a thing of the past!

The hospitals will be closed. Their staff and all the doctors will be allowed to enter a more productive field, where they shall be happy. The cosmetics industry will go out of business, because women will blossom forth in such radiant health, rosy cheeks, bright, intelligent eyes and beautiful complexions that no one will resort to artificial makeup. The millions of soldiers in the armed forces of the nations will all be released for production of things that will make life enjoyable!

Yes, God Himself is the FIRST CAUSE! He will intervene, and put into effect the causes of everything good!

Human nature will be CHANGED! God's way will be followed — and this cause will bring the desired effect of a bright UTOPIA that mankind could — and should — have had all along!

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THE ORIGIN OF HALLOWE’EN

What about this strange festival? What have goblins, witches and ghosts to do with this feast of All Hallows Eve? And why the demoniacal masks and gaudy decorations?

by Gerhard O. Marx

Each year millions around the world observe the strangest of all festivals, Hallowe’en — All Hallows Evening. Especially so in Great Britain, Scandinavia and the United States.

Every autumn, young and old alike anticipate its revels. It’s a night of frolicking fun and frivolous foolishness. All kinds of nonsense and superstitions are associated with this festival.

But Why?

On the eve of this night children dress in outrageous costumes and put on witch-like masks. Then they are turned loose to frighten or otherwise induce people into giving them food and other gifts. Millions are familiar with the “trick-or-treat” threat associated with Hallowe’en. Buildings are desecrated, windows broken and other fooleries are resorted to.

Why do so many keep Hallowe’en? What useful purpose does such a celebration fulfill in this “enlightened” scientific twentieth century? What purpose did it ever serve? Is it merely a harmless celebration to amuse our children?

It’s about time we checked into this observance to see where and when it really originated and for what purpose it was established.

You may not have realized it, but the ancient pre-Christian Druids in Britain, the pagan Romans and Greeks, and even the Babylonians, among others, kept a Hallowe’en festival.

Not Christian

Yes, Hallowe’en long antedates Christianity! It was only later introduced into the professing Christian world — centuries after the death of the Apostles.

Notice! “The earliest Hallowe’en celebrations [in Britain] were held by the Druids in honour of Samhain, Lord of the Dead, whose festival fell on November 1” (see Halloween Through Twenty Centuries, by Ralph Linton, p. 4).

“It is clearly a relic of pagan times!” (The Book of Days, Chambers, v. 2, p. 519.)

Further, “It was a Druidical belief that on the eve of this festival Saman, lord of death, called together the wicked spirits that within the past 12 months had been condemned to inhabit the bodies of animals” (Enc. Brit., 11th ed., v. 12, pp. 857-8).

Read what this November celebration was like! It was a pagan belief that on one night of the year the souls of the dead return to their original homes, there to be entertained with food. If food and shelter were not provided, these spirits, it was believed, would cast spells and cause havoc towards those failing to fulfill their requests.

“It was the night for the universal walking about of all sorts of spirits, fairies, and ghosts, all of whom had liberty on that night” (Highland Superstitions, Alexander Macgregor, p. 44). Literal sacrifices were offered on this night to the spirits of the dead, when, so the belief went, they visited their earthly haunts and their friends.

There was a reason why November was chosen for that particular event. The Celts and other Northern people considered the beginning of November as their New Year. This was the time when the leaves were falling and a general seasonal decay was taking place everywhere. Thus it was a fitting time, so they reasoned, for the commemoration of the dead.

Since the Northern nations at that time began their day in the evening, the eve leading up to November 1st was the beginning of the festival. According to the Roman calendar it was the evening October 31 — hence, Hallowe’en — the evening of All Hallows.

Observed Everywhere

Hallowe’en, or All Souls Eve, was kept throughout the ancient pagan world. The observance was widespread.

“There was a prevailing belief among all nations that at death the souls of good men were taken possession of by good spirits and carried to paradise; but the souls of wicked men were left to wander in the space between the earth and moon, or consigned to the unseen world. These wandering spirits were in the habit of haunting the living... But there were means by which these ghosts might be exorcised” (Folklore, James Napier, p. 11).

To exorcise these ghosts, that is, to free yourself from their supposed evil sway, you would have to set out food and provide shelter for them during the night. If they were satisfied with your offerings, it was believed they would leave you in peace. If not, they were believed to cast an evil spell on you.

“In Wales it was firmly believed that on All Hallows Eve the spirit of a departed person was to be seen at midnight on every crossroad and everywhere” (Folklore and Folk-Stories of Wales, Marie Trevelyan, p. 254).

In Cambodia people used to chant: “O all you our ancestors, who are departed, deign to come and eat what we have prepared for you, and to bless your posterity and to make it happy” (Notice sur le Cambodge, Paris 1875, E. Aymonier, p. 39).

This sort of Hallowe’en festival was strenuously observed throughout the non-Christian world. Pagans would pray to their false gods to prevent “demons” and “witches” from molesting them.

Notice! “The Mixtecs of Mexico believed that the souls of the dead came back in the twelfth month of the year,
which corresponded to our November. On this day of All Souls the houses were decked out to welcome the spirits. Jars of food and drink were set on a table in the principal room, and the family went out with the torches to meet the ghosts and invite them to enter. Then, returning to the house they knelt around the table, and with their eyes bent on the ground, prayed the souls to accept the offerings" (Adonis, Frazer, p. 244).

This, then, is the way the heathen world celebrated their Hallowe'en, their All Souls Day. Although some aspects of the Hallowe'en festival varied with each country, the overall pattern and purpose remained the same.

**Hallowe'en "Christianized"**

But how did the professing Christian world come to accept and keep such a day? Here is what you, probably, haven't been told.

In 607 A.D. the Roman Emperor Phocas defeated the Barbarians who were in control of Rome. The Pantheon in Rome, a pagan edifice which had been wrested from the barbarians, was given to pope Boniface IV.

Originally, Emperor Hadrian built the Pantheon — around 100 A.D. He dedicated it to the pagan goddess Cybele and to the other Roman deities. This temple became the central place in Rome where the pagans honored and commemorated their gods.

With this splendid edifice now falling into the hands of professing Christians, the question was, What should be done with it?

The pagans had dedicated it to Cybele and all their gods. But the Roman bishop now consecrated it to the Virgin Mary and all the saints of both sexes (see The Mysteries of All Nations, Grant, p. 120). Thus this pagan building became "holy." No more did the pagan Romans use this edifice to pray for their dead. It was now the professing Christians who employed the Pantheon in praying for their dead.

This re-dedication of the pagan temple to Mary and others occurred in 610 A.D. Now converted into a Christian shrine, an annual festival was instituted to commemorate the event. The day chosen was May 13.

This May 13 commemoration of the dead saints was known by the name of "All Saints Day." It continued to be held in May for over two centuries — until 834 A.D. In that year the name and the date were changed.

Notice! "The time of celebration was altered to the first of November, and it was then called ALL HALLOW"— from where we get the name Hallowe'en, all hallow merely meaning all holy, and the "een" is a contraction of evening (Folklore, James Napier, p. 177).

Thus in 834 A.D. the Church in the Middle Ages began to celebrate Hallowe'en on the first of November for the first time. This was the very same day the Druids in Britain, the Norsemen in Scandinavia, and the pagan Germans among others were keeping their festival of All Souls Eve, in commemoration of Saman, lord of death, and his demons.

**Reason for Change**

Why did the church change the date to November 1st, thus coinciding with the pagans' feast of All Souls? There is a reason!

It was a general practice of the restored Roman Empire, now professing Christianity, to "convert" the pagans within the empire as quickly and on as large a scale as possible. Changing dates of festivals often made it easier to influence newly conquered peoples.

Ever since the time of Constantine — who made a state religion out of Christianity — the Roman emperors realized how essential it was to have a unified empire, in which as many as possible would be of one mind. The civil and religious leaders saw how important it was for the sake of unity to allow only one religion within the restored Roman domain.

It became therefore a stringent state policy to force all non-Christians to accept the new state religion.

Here is how the plan was carried out.

**Conversion of Germans**

When the German Frankish king Charlemagne invaded and conquered parts of Eastern Germany, he compelled the conquered German king, Wittekind, to be baptized and to accept Christianity.

Having no choice and seeing his life was at stake, this heathen ruler who knew little or nothing about Christ — was forced into this "conversion." And with him his entire people.

This policy brought complex problems. These pagans, who were usually baptized en masse, were still pagans at heart. Even though they became nominal Christians, they still yearned for many of their heathen practices, which they were expected to discard.

With Wittekind's baptism, for example, a vast number of barbarians were suddenly added to the roll call of the church.

Wittekind's Germans, now professing Christians, and other conquered pagans, had a profound influence on the ecclesiastical affairs of the church in the early 800's A.D. These barbaric and uncultured people brought with them many outright pagan practices and celebrations, Hallowe'en merely being one of many. They were fervent in clinging to their past ceremonies and observed them openly — yet supposedly converted to Christianity.

What was the church to do? Excommunicate them and thus reduce her membership? This she would not do. Was she to force them into discarding their heathen practices and adopt Italian or Roman ones? This, as she had learned in past times, was not possible.

There remained only one other way. Let the recently converted pagans keep certain of their heathen festivals, such as Hallowe'en or All Souls Day — but label it "Christian." Of course the Germans were asked not to pray to their ancient pagan gods on this day. They must now use this day to commemorate the death of the saints. To make it easy for them, the Roman Church even changed her date of All Saints Day from May 13 to November 1st to satisfy the growing numbers of Germanic adherents.

The Church understood the yearnings the Germans and others had for their old ways.

Throughout history, the Christian-professing world has resorted to this action. We have the theological explanation of this given to us by Pope Innocent. He refers to a heathen festival the pagans kept in the early part of the
Roman Empire and explained how the professing Christian world should treat this day:

"The heathen dedicated this month [2 Feb.] to the infernal gods... In the beginning of this month the idolaters walked about the city with lighted candles, and as some of the holy fathers could not extirpate such a custom, they ORDAINED that Christians should carry about candles in honour of the Virgin Mary" (Folklore, James Napier, p. 181).

If a pagan practice or festival could not be forbidden, it was reasoned, "let it be tamed." Thus many were persuaded to transfer devotion from their former gods to the Christian God. So it was with the festival of All Souls Eve. Notice this admission:

"Thus, at the first promulgation of Christianity to the Gentile nations... they could not be persuaded to relinquish many of their superstitions, which, rather than forego altogether, they chose to blend and incorporate with the new faith" (Popular Antiquities of Great Britain, John Brand, p. xi).

What About Our Time?

Now come down to the twentieth century. You'll be surprised to what extent we have inherited pagan rites and ceremonies from our forefathers, so obvious in the celebration of Hallowe'en.

Note this classic example. "In many Catholic countries the belief that the dead return on this day is so strong, that food is left on the tables and people still decorate the graves of the dead [on this day]" (Dictionary of Folklore, Funk and Wagnalls, v. 1, p. 38).

In Protestant countries many pagan superstitious beliefs and practices have become an integral part of each year's celebration.

In many parts of Britain, bonfires are set alight on the eve of Hallowe'en. Of course fire has nothing to do with praying for dead saints. The original reason for the fire, however, was to frighten away witches and evil spirits on this night. Fire has always been an essential part of Hallowe'en in Great Britain.

Hallowe'en perpetuates ancient pagan revelry and superstitions. Few youngsters ever question why a Christian-professing world continues to celebrate it.

You and Your Children

What about you and your children? What comes to your mind when thinking about Hallowe’en? The truth of the Bible? Not at all! Instead, weird and frightening masks — persons portrayed as witches and demons. Pumpkins and turnips hollowed out in the shape of eerie-looking faces! Lighted candles are placed inside to help bring out the more frightful side of these carvings. Dough is baked into small figurines resembling witches and spider's web cakes are baked by the dozen for this occasion. Children, dressed up in the most revolting garments, are let loose on the neighbors, trying to scare the daylights out of them.

Let’s be honest. I have before me the Good Housekeeping’s Book of Entertainment, which my wife picked up from the local library. On page 168 of this much-read book, there is a section on what to do on Hallowe’en. Notice the astonishing advice given!

"Halloween decorations are quite as important as the food. When planning them, remember that if the room is to be dimly lit (preferably by candle and firelight) the decorations must be bold to be effective. Orange, black and red, the devil’s colours, are the colours associated with Halloween and this scheme should be carried out as far as possible... Have paper streamers and lanterns hanging from the ceiling, or, if you would like to have something less usual, you could make a giant spider’s web with black and orange strings, or in narrow strips of crepe paper coming from the four corners of the room, complete with a large spider — one of the devil’s favourite followers."

Notice where the stress lies!

Read further of the black magic associated with this festival. "To decorate the walls, make large silhouettes of cats, bats, owls and witches on broomsticks... For the supper table small..."
witches with broomsticks can be made by using lollipops on 4-inch sticks."

Weird lanterns, witch-balls, and witches' cauldrons are some other objects, the book suggests, which must fit into the evening somehow.

How pagan can you get?

NOW HERE does the Bible command us to observe Hallowe'en.

Hallowe'en and other common festivals which people observe in the Christian-professing world have no Biblical basis. They originated in paganism.

The testimony of history stamps Hallowe'en as a heathen festival. It's built on a pagan foundation. Your Bible warns: "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (I Cor. 3:11).

Which is the basis of your practice and belief?

Turn to Deuteronomy 12:29-31 and read God's condemnation of Hallowe'en! And write for our free article on Hallowe'en which covers many other startling facts not included here!

What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

and in preaching the Gospel in sound and print. Thank the Eternal for trials and tests — how else would we grow and overcome?"

Ralph I.,
Seattle, Washington

What Can I Do?

"Please print this letter in your 'What Our Readers Say' column, for I feel sure that many of your readers have this problem also. My brother is an agnostic who is rapidly approaching atheism. No matter how much I talk and reason with him, he fails to see the truth. He would rather believe Darwin than the Bible... What can I do to convert him? Is there any way I can help him before it's too late?"

Stephen G.,
Fort Worth, Texas

- No. You can't "convert" anyone — only God can do that. Pray for him — and let him see your example — never argue.

Satan's What...?

"You said that the basic nature of people is bad. Why is it that only a small minority of people commit crimes? Why is it that each and every one of us haven't killed anyone? You seem to be Satan's Defense Attorney. What is your basic nature? Are you basically a brute, a cad, an inhibited shoplifter? As a tree is bent, so shall it grow. The basic nature of the tree is to grow straight."

Andy C.,
Houston, Texas

- A small minority? Where have you been, Andy? Here's a recent report: "A survey of 1,700 persons found that 91 percent admitted they had committed one or more offenses for which they might have received jail or prison sentences..." "Of the individual citizen the President's Commission report says, that 'anything goes as long as you don't get caught.' A pervasive mental and moral atmosphere which condones crime and indulges corrupt or criminal acts is eroding the moral fiber of the country." (Editorial, Christian Science Monitor, February 23, 1967.)

In German

"Thank you very much for the magazine Die Reine Wahrheit (The Plain Truth in German), which I have been receiving free for a long time. It strikes me as it does many of your readers, that it is seldom on this earth that one can receive something free. My 15-year-old son said, while I was reading this, these people must be millionaires to be able to print such a magazine and send it out free. I enjoy reading the magazine, and my son and daughter are also interested in it."

Reader,
Unterfingen, West Germany

- No millionaires — just enough sincere people interested enough in other people that they want to share what they have found.

In French

"I am very thankful to you for sending me regularly and freely your magnificent magazine, and I thank God for the sacrifice on your part. La Pure Verite (The Plain Truth in French) has been my only friend and compan-

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in Britain

"I want to say how very much I miss 'The World Tomorrow' programme on 'Caroline.' Is there any chance of it being broadcast again? I tried to get it on Radio Manx but failed. Is there no station I could hear it on? I am very concerned because I cannot hear the wonderful inspiring voice of Garner Ted."

Listener,
Co. Tyrone

- The British Government has rendered the ship stations inoperable. Whatever God decides will be done.

Drought

"I know that you have been predicting drought for quite awhile. Well, it has finally happened! We have not had our average rainfall for more than five years and it's getting worse. Very, very few people realize the peril we are facing and they will not believe you when you tell them. It's too bad people will not realize the magnitude and the extent of our problem!"

James B.,
Chase City, Virginia

Floods

"We have had 90 hours or more of rain this past week, and it is still raining. I have never seen anything like this in my life. The damage to the crops this week alone is already two million dollars. Weatherwise, North Carolina has had one of its worst years in history."

Jesse K.,
Boomer, North Carolina

"It rained here for a solid week. We had 14 inches of rain in 24 hours one time. Crops were damaged, bridges washed out, homes damaged, and in a few cases completely washed away. It's been so cool we haven't had any summer to speak of."

Mrs. Robert W. D.,
Blairsville, Georgia
Radio Log

Major Stations

East

WOR - New York - 710 kc., 11:30 p.m. Sun.
WHN - New York - 1050 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
WJZ - Rochester - 1180 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.
WWVA - Wheeling, W. Va. - 1170 kc., 9:07 FM, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
WREX - Canton - 680 kc., 98.5 FM, 6:30 a.m. Sun.
WIRG - Philadelphia - 990 kc., 94.1 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun.
WJAL - Baltimore - 1090 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.
WRVA - Richmond - 1140 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 10 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WPTL - Raleigh, N. C. - 680 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 noon Mon.-Fri.
WMCK - Pittsburgh - 1360 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
WHP - Harrisburg, Pa. - 870 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
WJAC - Johnstown, Pa. - 850 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
WSAN - Allentown, Pa. - 1470 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 7:15 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:30 p.m. Sat.
WSCR - Scanton, Pa. - 1320 kc., 12:30 p.m., 7 p.m. daily.
WBRE - Wilkes-Barre, Pa. - 1340 kc., 9:30 FM, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. Sat.
WCHS - Charleston, W. Va. - 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
WCLR - Erskine, W. Va. - 1060 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 6 p.m. Sat.
WTVR - Richmond, Va. - 1380 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
WCYB - Bristol, Va. - 690 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
WLDS - Ashevillage, N. C. - 1380 kc., 9:00 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.
WPAG - Mount Airy, N. C. - 740 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 1:05 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 6 p.m. Sat.
WFNC - Fayetteville, N. C. - 940 kc., 98.1 FM, 1 p.m. daily.
WAAT - Tifton, N. J. - 1300 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WEVD - New York - 1330 kc., 97.9 FM, 1 p.m. daily.
WG LI - Babylon, L. I. - 1290 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WWOL - Buffalo, N. Y. - 1120 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 4 p.m. Sat.
WHLD - Niagara Falls, N. Y. - 1270 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri.
WFAS - White Plains, N. Y. - 1250 kc., 10:59 FM, 9 p.m. daily.
WWNH - Rochester, N. H. - 930 kc., 9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WDEV - Waterbury, Vt. - 550 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WPOR - Portland, Me. - 1490 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.
WCOU - Lewiston, Me. - 1240 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.
WRYT - Boston - 950 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WBET - Brockton, Mass. - 1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
WACE - Chicopee, Mass. - 730 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun, 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WHHM - Fitchburg, Mass. - 1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
WHMP - Northampton, Mass. - 1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
WARE - Ware, Mass. - 1250 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.
WJAR - Providence, R. I. - 920 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sat & Sun, 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
WNLC - New London, Conn. - 1510 kc, 8:30 p.m. Sun.

Central

WSPD - Toledo, Ohio - 1370 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WSLR - Akron, Ohio - 1350 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
WFMJ - Youngstown, Ohio - 1390 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat.
WBNS - Columbus, Ohio - 1460 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.
WBRJ - Marietta, Ohio - 910 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
WBIR - Kinston, N. C. - 1500 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
WBCK - Battle Creek, Mich. - 930 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sat, Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri.
WIDG - St. Ignace, Mich. - 940 kc., 12:10 p.m. daily.
KRVN - Lexington, Nebraska - 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
KMJ - Grand Island, Nebraska - 750 kc., 4 p.m. daily.
WNAX - Yankton, S. Dak. - 570 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.
*WFO - Fargo, N. Dak. - 790 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.
WEAF - Chicago - 1330 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 8 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. Sat., 12 noon daily (105.1 FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat).
WJOL - Joliet, Ill. - 1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.
WITV - Danville, Ill. - 980 kc., 7 p.m. daily.
WWCA - Gary, Ind. - 1270 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WJOB - Hammond, Ind. - 1250 kc., 8 a.m. Sun. or after baseball Mon.-Sat.
WJK - Grand Island, Nebraska - 750 kc., 4 p.m. daily.
WBIC - Indianapolis - 1070 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun.
KBHS - Hot Springs, Ark. - 590 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.
KFVS - Cape Girardeau, Mo. - 960 kc., 9:15 a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
KWTO - Springfield, Mo. - 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.
KFEQ - St. Joseph, Mo. - 680 kc. 7 p.m. daily.
KUL - Kansas City, Mo. - 1380 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun, 5:45 a.m. Mon.-Sat.
KFSB - Joplin, Mo. - 1310 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sat & Sun, 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
WIBW - Topeka, Kan. - 580 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
KFDF - Wichita, Kan. - 1350 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
KFS - Wichita, Kan. - 910 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.
KBEA - Mission, Kan. - 1480 kc, 7 p.m. daily.
KKGF - Coffeyville, Kan. - 690 kc, 6 p.m. daily.

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### RADIO LOG

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<td>Los Angeles</td>
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POPE MEETS PATRIARCH

Why has the "Pilgrim Pope" made his history-making trip to Turkey? What is the real significance of the Pope's meeting with the Patriarch of Greek Orthodoxy? Will the 1,000-year-old breach between Orthodox and Catholics be repaired? When and how will real religious unity be brought about?

by Raymond F. McNair

Istanbul, Turkey

AN AIR of excitement filled the 2,000 spectators at Istanbul Airport.

A 200-strong guard of honour stood smartly at attention. A military band awaited tensely the command to begin playing the Pontifical Hymn and the Turkish national anthem.

The occasion?

A big white bird, a Pan-American 707 called Saint Paul, was just touching down — carrying the world's most influential religious personality — Pope Paul VI — leader of over six hundred million Catholics!

Why Historic Meeting?

Why had the Roman Pontiff come to visit Turkey — a country of about 32 million, with a 98 percent non-Christian, Muslim population?

To see the world's next most important religious figure — Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church, Athenagoras I. There is a reason for this visit with the Patriarch of the Eastern Churches — the first papal visit to Turkey since 711 A.D. Few have grasped the real significance — the far-reaching outcome of this history-making occasion!

The greetings at Istanbul's airport began to reveal the purpose.

After landing, the Pope's plane taxied up to a prearranged point not far from the waiting assemblage of digni-
taries, the honour guard, the international assortment of pressmen and photographers from many countries, plus about 2,000 resident Turks.

Then, the door of the Pope's plane opened, and out stepped the Roman Pontiff — resplendent in Pontifical robes of white and scarlet. His scarlet robe was almost dazzling in the brilliant, late-morning sun.

The crowd awaiting the Pope's arrival greeted him warmly as he stepped out of the plane, raising both hands in his familiar benediction-like manner. There were no cries of "Viva Papa!" There was no mass hysteria as I had witnessed at Fatima, Portugal.

Among the waiting religious dignitaries were the Armenian Patriarch (representing the Armenian Church), the Grand Rabbi of Istanbul (representing the Jews), the Mufti of Istanbul (representing the Muslims), the Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church, Athenagoras I. A number of religious dignitaries of some of the smaller religious communities were also present.

The Pope was first greeted by the President and the Prime Minister of Turkey. He then walked along a line of religious and secular dignitaries — greeting each as he shook hands.

**Pope Meets Patriarch**

But the climax came as he turned and, with outstretched arms (as though greeting a long-lost brother), approached the towering figure of Athenagoras I, Patriarch of the Orthodox Churches. Athenagoras is a very impressive man. His six-foot, six-inch stature made him easily the most commanding figure at the airport. Standing head and shoulders above the others, this elderly Patriarch (he was born in 1886) really looked like a Patriarch — with long, white beard and flowing, jet-black robe. The Pope, who is much shorter, must have felt dwarfed beside this commanding figure! This "kiss-of-peace" ceremony gave the impression that the 1,000-year-old schism between Popes and Patriarchs had ended — or was at least about to end.

President Sunay of Turkey then welcomed the Pope in Turkish. The Pope's reply, in French, expressed compassion for the victims of the previous Saturday's earthquake centered at Adapazari. (See last month's issue of *The Plain Truth* for an account of the earthquake.)

Scores had died, as the terrifying shock waves of this awful earthquake struck. Hundreds of buildings were totally demolished, and countless thousands were damaged beyond repair.

**Turkey and Vatican Reconciled?**

The secular leaders of Turkey welcomed the Pope, but they were not effusive. The Turks (who are 98 percent Muslim) have not forgotten their history. They well know that the Pope's predecessors launched "holy crusades" against their forefathers, the Ottoman Turks. The Fourth Crusade, sent out by Pope Innocent III, actually sacked Constantinople — today called Istanbul — in 1204 A.D.

On the morning of Pope Paul's arrival, the Pope and President Sunay spoke of the reconciliation between the Papacy and Turkey. This reconciliation was symbolized by the Vatican's having returned to the Turks, in 1965, a standard captured by the combined Christian forces during the battle of Lepanto in 1571.

President Sunay mentioned the "excellent relations already existing between Turkey and the Vatican." The Pope, replying, spoke of the "noble Turkish nation."

But why the Pope's history-making trip — at this time?

There are a number of reasons.

1 — The Pope wanted to strengthen relations with the Turkish nation.

2 — He hoped to strengthen the hand of Christians, mostly Greek Orthodox, in Turkey. Since Dr. Makarios' Greek-dominated government has been established in Cyprus, the Turkish governmental leaders had turned somewhat against the Greek Orthodox Church.

The Christian population of Istanbul has decreased from 80,000 to 30,000 in the last few years, due, at least partly, to the Greek-Turkish strife in Cyprus. It is being rumoured that the Turkish Government would like to close down for good the Orthodox establishment in Turkey. They feel it is alien to their national interests — that it is totally irrelevant to the modern Turkey established by the progressive Kemal Ataturk.

Because of this Turkish attitude, the Pope hoped his visit would help to strengthen the precarious position of the Patriarch of the Orthodox Church. He hoped to strengthen Christianity against further Muslim pressure.

3 — Some speculated that a major purpose of the Pope's visit to Turkey was to discuss the matter of the protection of the holy places at Jerusalem. The Roman Catholic and the Orthodox Churches control most of the shrines and other holy places in Jerusalem.

So it is believed that the Pope wanted to discuss this matter with Athenagoras and with other religious dignitaries — as well as with the Turkish civil authorities. Remember, Jerusalem is the birthplace of three religious faiths: Judaism, Christianity, Mohammedanism.

Jerusalem will become increasingly important to Catholics in the near future. The Papacy will, as previously reported in *The Plain Truth*, be moved from Rome to Jerusalem — in the very near future! You will not have long to wait to see this prophecy fulfilled before your very eyes. Bible prophecy is very explicit on this point.

Furthermore, according to a recent report in a leading German newspaper, the Third Fatima Message is reported (by inside, informed Vatican sources) to reveal that there will be a terrible World War III, during which (according to this Fatima Vision) both Rome and the Vatican will be destroyed!

Could this possibly explain why the Vatican will be moved to Jerusalem?

**Main Reason for Visit**

4 — The main reason, however, for the Pope going to Turkey was to meet Athenagoras I, often referred to as the Ecumenical Patriarch.

But why did Pope Paul VI want to meet Athenagoras? Undoubtedly to strengthen the ecumenical movement. In other words, to help unite all Chris-
tians under the banner of the "Prince of Rome"!

The Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church, Athenagoras, is known to deplore the schism between the Roman Catholics and the Orthodox Church. He regards the division of Christianity as a terrible blotch—a great scandal!

On arrival in Istanbul, Pope Paul went to the Catholic cathedral to pray for "the unity of all who believe in Christ." He asked the many priests, nuns and others present to help him in his quest for unity: "one of the decisive motives for my journey."

But why the split in the first place? What holds the Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox Churches apart?

Rome Versus Constantinople

It happened about 1,000 years ago!

While Christianity—as we know it today—was developing in the early centuries after the death of Christ and His Apostles—many controversies and schisms sprang up. Professing Christians in the larger cities and their lesser sister cities were ruled simply by Bishops (overseers).

In the early centuries of "Christianity," the chief Bishops presided over the large churches in five great centers: Rome, Antioch, Alexandria, Jerusalem and Constantinople! The bishops of these five great cities finally came to be called "Patriarchs"—meaning "father rulers." At that time they were all of equal authority—each having absolute authority in his own province.

After the historic division of the Roman Empire in 395 A.D., a struggle developed between the Patriarchs of Rome and Constantinople. The struggle concerned which of these two great cities (and their respective Patriarchs) would be chief.

After this division, the Patriarchs of Antioch, Jerusalem and Alexandria gradually began to acknowledge the leadership of the Patriarch of Constantinople.

Remember that in the time of Constantine—300 years after Christ's personal ministry—"Christianity" was virtually made the state religion of the Roman Empire—dominated, of course, by the Emperor Constantine. It was he who got all of the leaders of the Church together and decided to make the official Roman day of worship. This he did at the Council of Nicea in 325 A.D.

But during the following centuries the Roman Empire in the West (at Rome) had weak rulers. The Western Church acquired a much freer hand to do as it pleased. But at the same time the Churches of the East were torn asunder by controversies and were dominated and weakened by the Emperors in the East.

The Patriarch at Rome, under these circumstances, became the strongest man in the West and became known as the Pope. Pope Leo I (440-461 A.D.) was regarded by some as the first Pope. He claimed that he was divinely appointed as "Primate of all Bishops." And he successfully won recognition for this claim from Emperor Valentinian III in 445 A.D. Leo proclaimed himself Lord of the Whole Church. He advocated exclusive universal papacy.

Pope Leo I persuaded the greatly feared, barbaric Atilla the Hun to spare the city of Rome in 452 A.D. In 455 he was also successful in inducing the Vandal, Genseric, to have mercy on Rome. These successes with powerful secular rulers greatly enhanced the powers of the Roman Pope in the eyes of others.

But in spite of the Emperor's act of recognizing the Pope as Primate of all Bishops, the Council of Chalcedon (the 4th Ecumenical Council, 451 A.D.) accorded the Patriarch of Constantinople equal prerogatives with the Bishop of Rome.

Then, the Roman Empire in the West came to its untimely end in 476 A.D. This left the Popes of Rome completely free from any civil authority. Thereafter they increased in power in the West.

Pope Gregory I (590-604 A.D.) is generally regarded as the first Pope in the real sense of the word. (Roman Catholics, of course, claim a Peter as their first Pope.)

Pope Gregory exercised great influence over the Eastern part of the Empire, but he did not claim jurisdiction over the Eastern Church. At that time the Bishop (or Patriarch) of Constantinople called himself "Universal Bishop." Pope Gregory was greatly irritated by this and rejected the title as a "vicious and haughty word" and even refused to allow it to be applied to himself!

Pope Nicolas I (858-867 A.D.) decided it was time to take a strong hand in the affairs of the Eastern Church to prove that he was, after all, the Universal Bishop of the Catholic Church.

Pope Excommunicates Patriarch

Nicolas, therefore, proceeded to excommunicate Photius, Patriarch of Constantinople, in 863 A.D. But Photius merely returned the insult by excommunicating Pope Nicolas. Thereafter the division within the Christian Church continued to widen until 1054 A.D. when the Eastern Greek Orthodox Church broke completely with Rome once and for all.

Those excommunications lasted eleven centuries, until Pope Paul VI visited the Patriarch Athenagoras. In a service at St. Esprit they returned to each other the excommunication papers which their predecessors had issued to each other in 863 and 867 A.D.

It is interesting to note that for the first six centuries of Christendom, the East had represented the most important part of the Church, and had claimed the allegiance of the majority of Christians.

During this period, all Ecumenical Councils had been held either in or near CONSTANTINOPLE, and all proceedings were in the Greek language!

When the Popes at Rome began asserting that they should be looked to and implicitly obeyed by all Christians, this proved too much for the Eastern Church to accept. So, the Council of Constantinople (869 A.D.) was the last real Ecumenical Council to be held for many, many centuries. From that time forward the Eastern Greek Orthodox Church held its own Councils, and the Roman Catholic Church did the same. The rift continued to widen.

Pope Boniface VIII (1294-1303 A.D.) issued his famous Papal Bull, "Unam Sanctam." "We declare, affirm,
define, and pronounce that it is alto­gether necessary for Salvation that every human creature be subject to the Roman Pontiff.”

Pope Pius IX (1846-1878 A.D.) was the Pope who finally declared that the Popes are infallible when speaking officially on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church. According to this decree, it was “divinely revealed” that when the Pope speaks “ex cathedra” (from the chair), he is “possessed of infallibility in defining doctrines of faith and morals.”

The Greek Orthodox Church considers (or at least used to consider) the Pope’s decree regarding Papal infallibility as the Papacy’s crowning blasphemy!

But this is not the only hindrance to Church unity. There are many others.

Long-Standing Differences

The Greek Orthodox Church cannot believe in Papal Infallibility and Papal Supremacy. They do not believe in Purgatory or Indulgences. Neither do they believe in the Immaculate Conception of Mary. The Orthodox Church does not really believe Peter was ever a Bishop of Rome (they acknowledge he was a Bishop of Antioch). Neither do they believe that only the clergy should drink wine in taking communion.

There is much still dividing the Orthodox and the Roman Catholics. But Pope Paul VI hopes that it will be possible to heal the 1,000-year-old wounds of division separating the Orthodox and Catholic Churches; then he hopes to begin in earnest to woo Protestants to the Catholic fold.

But Church unity was a major problem, even in apostolic days.

Jude, the brother of Jesus, warned true believers to “earnestly contend for the faith” of the original apostles of Christ (verse 3). “For there are certain men crept in unawares ... ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness [license, liberty to do evil]” (verse 4).

False teachers or ministers had multiplied rapidly even in the days of the original Apostles of Jesus Christ. “Even now are there many antichrists,” lamented the aged Apostle John (I John 2:18). “Many false prophets are gone out into the world” (I John 4:1).

Yes, even in the first century, many false teachers began to appropriate and use the name of Jesus Christ, but they would not obey Him — would not preach His true Gospel, the Gospel of the Kingdom of God soon to be set up, literally, upon this earth. These false ministers would not preach real repentance — turning away from sin, from breaking the commandments of Almighty God. They taught a system of humanly devised rituals and works derived from pagan custom and tradition — and they labeled it, falsely, “Christian.”

Few to Be Saved — Now!

Jesus Christ made it very plain that during this age His true followers (the true Christians) would be few and far between. For this reason, Jesus Christ commanded: “Enter ye in at the strait [difficult] gate: for wide is the gate and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it” (Mat. 7:13, 14).

Yes, Jesus Christ made it very clear that, during this age — when Satan has deceived “the whole world” (Rev. 12:9) — it would be the “many” who would follow, blindly, the broad, popular way — to destruction.

He said that it would be only the “few” who would find and follow the way to “life” — during this age (verses 13, 14).

Did Jesus Christ know what He was talking about? Did He tell the truth? Are His prophecies still being fulfilled yet today? Certainly!

What has happened to bring about such a Babylon of confusion in this world’s “Christianity” as we know it today? “Is Christ divided?” (I Cor. 1:13.) Absolutely not!

Christ Established One Church

The Word of God proclaims that “God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints” (I Cor. 14:33).

Who, then, is the author of the hundreds of divided, Christian-professing churches? Why do we have over 400 Protestant churches, plus various churches claiming to be Catholic? Why this division, this confusion, this multiplicity of churches?

Didn’t Jesus Christ say: “I will build my Church”? (Mat. 16:18.)

Didn’t the Founder of the true Church of Jesus Christ pray that the Father would keep that Church united as “one” Church? (John 17:11, 21, 22, 23.) Did the Father hear and answer that prayer? Absolutely!

How has it come about that professing Christians have — during the last two World Wars, as in many previous wars — fought against each other — shot at each other, bombed the cities of fellow Christians — on the opposite side, of course? Does this make sense? Should a true Christian fight against a fellow Christian? Did the early New Testament Christians fight against each other in this world’s armies?

Is it just possible that Satan is, after all, the author of confusion? Is not he the father of strife and division?

The Pope and Patriarch have given each other the “kiss of peace!” They now appear ready to settle their differences! But the fact remains that there are still many doctrinal problems; iron out before there can ever be any real unity between the Orthodox and Roman Catholics!

The Pope’s pilgrimage to Turkey is just one more step in an endless search for Christian unity!

Christian Unity in Millennium

Can any man really unite all Catholics and Protestants?

Will Protestants ever look to Rome for complete guidance in all spiritual matters?

Hardly.

But Bible prophecy does reveal that CHRIST, at His second coming, will bring unity, peace and harmony. There will be one religion — God’s truth! It will take the divine power of Jesus Christ to straighten out this deceived world and to unlearn the pagan superstitions that today masquerade as “Christian.” (See Micah 4; Isaiah 2, 9, 11; Zechariah 14 and Rev. 12.)

God speed that day!
Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled” (Luke 21:24). Are the “times of the Gentiles” now completed since the Jews have regained control over Jerusalem?

— K. J. W., Hillsboro, Ore.

The prophesied “times of the Gentiles” are not yet completed. Let’s understand why.

Jerusalem is at the crossroads of the world! Many nations have fought for its control and trodden it underfoot. Canaanites, Amorites, Egyptians, Babylonians, Persians, Greeks, Syrians, Romans, Crusaders, Turks, the British, and of course, the Jews have all fought there.

When Christ foretold Jerusalem’s future, it was populated mainly by Jews. Only 39 years after that time, the Romans invaded the city, slaughtered many thousands of its inhabitants or sold them into slavery, burned the temple, and leveled most of the city to the ground.

About 135 A.D. the Jews of Palestine again revolted against the Romans. This time the Romans barred them from Jerusalem (which was then called Aelia Capitolina). The city became predominantly Gentile populated and has remained so every century since!

When the Jews in Palestine became a nation in 1948, they did not occupy the old city of Jerusalem. Instead, they occupied only the new city of Jerusalem — a city recently founded, in 1869, on an entirely different site next to the original site of ancient Jerusalem. Old Jerusalem on the original site was, and still is today, populated by Gentiles — not Jews or any of the tribes of Israel!

Even though the Jews now have political control over Old Jerusalem, they have not driven the Arab population out of the city. They have allowed Arabs to remain on all the newly conquered territories. All the Jews have, at the moment, is an uneasy political control over the old city.

The prophesied “times of the Gentiles” have not yet ended! Gentiles still tread the streets of Old Jerusalem. It is still a Gentile city!

Prophecy reveals that the Jews will eventually even lose political control over the city and themselves be taken captive by Gentile Europeans. (See our article “More War in Jerusalem?” in the July 1967 PLAIN TRUTH.) Gentile armies will again tread it underfoot!

When will the “times of the Gentiles” end? Zechariah 14 clearly shows that Jesus Christ will come again and deliver Jerusalem out of the hands of the Gentiles. It is the second coming of Christ that will put an end to the “times of the Gentiles.” The city of Old Jerusalem will be returned to its rightful inhabitants when Jesus Christ Himself rules all nations from Jerusalem as the capital.

Notice what the ancient prophet Joel says about that time: “So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers [warring Gentile nations] pass through her any more.

“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the river of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the Lord, and shall water the valley of Shittim. Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land. But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation. For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in Zion” (Joel 3:17-21).

After Christ’s second coming Jerusalem will no longer be the battleground for many nations. It will dwell in peace and safety (Zech. 14:11). Its streets will no longer be trodden down by the heels of conquering Gentile armies, neither will it be a Gentile populated city any more.

For more information about the “times of the Gentiles” write for your free copy of our article entitled “There Is A Way of Escape!”

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God’s WAY is the way of LOVE — and that is the way of giving. God expects every child of His to give free-will offerings and to tithe, as He means of paying the costs of carrying His Gospel to others. But HOW? Christ forbids us to tell it to those who receive it: “Freely ye have received; freely GIVE!” It is more blessed.”

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COMING—

A WORLD GOVERNMENT TO ENFORCE PEACE

Why has the UN been totally unable to settle the recent Mideast dispute? Why has it so miserably failed to settle any MAJOR conflict anywhere on this earth? Few realize that a World Government is already being groomed to displace the UN — and bring us peace at last!

by Raymond F. McNair

WHY must hundreds of millions live under the constant threat of nuclear annihilation? Most peoples want peace on earth! They would like to live in security, happiness and prosperity.

Yet nations continue spending lavishly, arming to the hilt — presumably to guarantee peace.

But we have no peace!

Man's Many "Peace" Efforts

History reveals where man has gone wrong. But man has refused to learn the lessons of history!

It is time we opened up the pages of human experience and discovered
for ourselves why man's efforts have failed — and why the God of Heaven will have to intervene in human affairs to bring us peace at last.

Pax — But No Peace!

We've all heard of Pax Romana, Pax Britannica, Pax Americana, and now Pax UN-style — man's latest “peace” experiment. Why have the nations, since the dawn of history, been constantly locked in deadly combat, striving for peace?

Why has the history of man been one long, continuous chronicle of struggle and war — and, at best, false peace?

During man’s long history, he has tried every device imaginable to bring about peace: peace pacts, treaties, alliances, balances of power, and various leagues or unions of temporarily friendly nations. Unfortunately, man has continuously resorted to war as a means of attaining peace!

The League of Nations was formed in 1920 shortly after World War I. It was established “to promote international cooperation and to achieve international peace and security!”

But the League of Nations proved utterly unable to preserve world peace.

Before World War II ended, many men of vision could see that some form of world government was absolutely necessary if another terrible, nightmarish World War — with all its mind-chilling nuclear horrors — were to be averted.

So representatives of fifty of the world’s leading nations met April 25-June 26, 1945, in San Francisco to draft a charter for just such a world peace organization. It was signed on June 26th.

Birth of the United Nations

Sir Anthony Eden — at the UN Conference in San Francisco, 1945 — said: “It is no exaggeration to say that the work on which we are making a start here may be the world’s last chance.”

The architects of the UN had good intentions.

Many leaders in the U.S. and Britain — and in the world in general — still look upon the United Nations as the world’s best — if not its only — means of bringing about world peace. But there were too many basic flaws in the UN Charter to enable it to have the faintest chance of success. It, like the ill-fated League of Nations before it, was destined to fail from the beginning!

UN — “Doomed to Failure”

Even a number of influential world leaders have expressed grave doubts about the value of the UN as an effective world peace force. To these realists, the UN is “a weak reed” — or even a broken reed.

A member of Parliament, Mr. Anthony Fell, in September, 1960 urged Britain to pull out of the UN.

He said: “We must not delude ourselves or the world any longer that the UN has any useful purpose to serve, either in the advancement of democracy and freedom or in the prevention of war. The United Nations has failed! It was our creature and it has failed us. Not because of a lack of good intentions, but because it is an organization that is doomed to failure.”

And in June of this year a British news magazine had this to say: “Many wonder: is the UN going the same bangdog, helpless way of the old League of Nations?”

Other newsmen confess: “The UN is a forum of fallen hopes!” “UN [was] set up not to end wars, but to end nations!” “The UN is not a platform for peace, but a platform for propaganda — a sounding board for war!”

The UN has been referred to as, “the hodgepodge Babel in New York!” Yes, millions are asking: “Is the UN worth maintaining?”

The recent bungling by the UN of the Israeli-Arab crisis caused many to ask if the UN is really serving any good purpose at all.

Why UN is Impotent

Here, then, are seven basic reasons why, from its beginning, the UN was doomed to failure — to be ineffective as an instrument of world peace!

1 — The UN is doomed to fail because — it does not itself really know the way of peace! Notice God’s stern indictment of the warmongering nations of this earth; “Their feet are swift to shed blood. Destruction and misery are in their ways. And the way of peace have they not known. There is no fear of God before their eyes” (Rom. 3:15-18). See also Isaiah 59:8.

Can anyone really honestly say that this scripture does not apply to the UN?

Hopelessly Divided

2 — The UN cannot possibly succeed as a world peace-keeping force because — its members are hopelessly divided in: race, religion and in their political or governmental ideologies. Did you ever notice how often certain blocs of nations in the UN vote according to their racial, religious or political affiliations?

These deep-seated divisions within the ranks of the UN are more than sufficient to prevent the member nations from ever agreeing on any major issue!

“Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand,” said Jesus Christ (Mat. 12:25).

How can a hopelessly divided dis-United Nations ever bring lasting peace to this world? How long can such a divided body survive? “Can two [or, can 122 UN member nations] walk together except they be agreed?” (Amos 3:3.)

Bark…But No Bite

3 — The UN is bound to fail because — it is totally impotent! It has a certain amount of growl and bark, but no bite. It has no teeth — no real power to back up its decisions with swift, decisive action (Eccl. 8:11).

It takes unified leadership to be a power. The UN has learned that without unity it doesn’t wield any real power.

During the recent Mideast crisis we once again saw just how weak and ineffective the United Nations proved to be. When Nasser demanded that the United Nations peace-keeping force (or force) be removed from the Israeli-Egyptian border, did the UN have the authority to defy Nasser and stay put?

Wasn’t this UN peace-keeping force supposed to provide a protective un-
brealla against any future outbreak of Israeli-Egyptian hostilities? But when war fever was whipped up, the UN force was taken away — right at the precise moment when it was needed!

Consequently, many have asked: If the UN umbrella is to be taken away when an international storm threatens, why have it there in the first place?

When the UN ordered a cease-fire between the Arabs and the Israeli forces, the firing didn’t stop until the nations involved were ready to quit fighting.

Not a Universal Force

4 — The UN will continue to fail miserably because — it is not a universal force! (It has turned out to be more of a universal force!) It does not have jurisdiction over all of the major nations — never tries to discipline non-members.

Communist China, with a population of over six hundred million, has not been admitted as a member of the UN. It has the largest population of any nation — over one fifth of the world’s population! And it now possesses its own H-bombs, and is working on its own guided missiles.

Communist China poses a serious threat to world peace. She not only threatens the Western world with subversion and armed aggression, but she also poses quite a threat to her communist neighbour, Russia.

5 — The UN cannot succeed because — its members are not always fair-minded and totally impartial!

A world peace-keeping force can administer peace and justice on this earth only if its rulers will be totally impartial in international disputes!

Needless to say, the delegates to the UN do not qualify to be supranational rulers in this respect. They have their own vested interests to protect. Each UN delegate’s background is moulded and coloured by the religious, political, or racial teachings of his own nation! National feelings and emotions are usually much stronger than international ties.

6 — The UN is doomed to fail because — its charter and its governing rules are not based on the immutable laws of God, but are based upon mere human customs, ideologies, and human laws.

There is only one way — a very simple way! — to peace. That is by obedience to God’s holy, righteous, and perfect laws! David was inspired to write: ‘Great peace have they which love thy law…” (Psalm 119:165).

No man-made organization for peace will prosper unless and until it is based on the eternal principles of God’s Law — upon His everlasting Word. As long as man bases his peace schemes on the shifting sands of man’s fickle ideas — instead of on God’s Word — peace will continuously elude him (Mat. 7:24-27).

7 — The UN was doomed from its very beginning because — it left God out of its plans. The delegates to the UN don’t really seek God and His guidance. The meetings are not opened with prayer. This might offend some of the atheistic members.

Many spacious rooms, offices, halls and chambers have been set aside at the UN headquarters in New York to house the many activities of men in his vain efforts to work out the solutions to his problems with his fellowman.

But only one small room in the UN building has been set aside as a place where members can go for a silent prayer or meditation. Needless to say, this very small room is more than ample.

What does God think of puny man’s peace-keeping efforts — apart from Him? God thunders: “Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city [or nation — from war], the watchman waketh but in vain” (Psalm 127:1). All efforts to avert ultimate war (apart from God) will prove utterly futile!

Needed — A World Super-Government

Some of the world’s leaders are now telling us that a world super-government is man’s only hope! But the UN has not filled that need.

Some now see the handwriting on the United Nations’ wall. It has already failed as a peace-keeping force! It does not have peace-keeping power.

“Like the covenant of the League of Nations, this [UN] Charter set up an association of states rather than a world government. Though armed force was used under the United Nations to check aggression in Korea, beginning in 1950, there continued throughout the world a realization that the preservation of world peace called for an organization stronger than the United Nations” (“Encyclopedia Americana, Vol. 13, art. ‘Government’

Where does this fact leave us?

Just this — “International law hardly exists today,” said Edward Teller in the Saturday Evening Post. “Yet it is one of our most vital needs... We must work for the establishment of a world authority sustained by moral force and physical force — a world government capable of enforcing worldwide law.”

“All this frightens the daylight out of me,” confessed Dr. Charles E. Osgood, of the University of Illinois, in revealing his fear of the spread of nuclear armament; “but frightening people isn’t enough,” he said. “What we need, and that most urgently, is an enlightened search for new alternatives to war as a means of resolving human conflicts. A world government may be the only permanent solution,” he said” (Dallas Times Herald).

“We must have a new authority in the world to substitute justice for war, and that means a court and a police force,” Lord Beveridge, noted British social reformer, told the House of Lords.

Supporting this idea, former British Prime Minister Earl Attlee said, “We have not an awful lot of time. There is too much dangerous stuff in the world and there are too many fools about, trigger-happy idiots and the like.”

Lord Pakenham, in describing the need of a world government to save the world from destroying itself, said: “Unless world government or something like it is achieved in 10 years,” said he, “nothing can!”

Many now realize the need of a world super-government; but how many... (Continued on page 32)
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or achieve an associate working arrangement with it. Otherwise they will be left out in the cold in world trade.

The Rome Conference also decided to have the foreign ministers of each nation meet more often. The object: to pave the way in every manner possible for closer political cooperation. It was also announced that there would be another similar conference of the heads of state of "the Six" before this year's end.

A New Roman Empire

Both Charles de Gaulle and Kurt Georg Kiesinger visited Pope Paul VI during the Conference. Said Kiesinger: "a very enjoyable conversation about very many things." After a stroll through the centuries-long-undisputed "mistress of the world," Germany's Chancellor remarked, "This is the most beautiful city in the world to me."

The Vicar at Rome praised De Gaulle for his outstanding service to his country. The French general then told the Pope: "The world peace, of which your holiness is the chief defender, demands in order to be effective, the removal of inequalities... the European union is the greatest organization which shall eliminate rivalries and particularism."

Yes, the memory of the unity and strength of the Roman Empire has begun to fire the imagination of Europeans.

A ten-nation united Western Europe with its tentacles of influence reaching around the world is prophesied to become the vital center of world trade and political-religious affairs.

Rome is destined yet to play a most important role in the political and religious future of Europe and the whole world within a very few years.

But what is Britain's role in the new Europe?

Britain Tries Again

On the 11th of May, 1967, Britain made her second application to join the Common Market. The first time Charles de Gaulle had clearly said no. This time the answer was not quite so clear. Yet certainly he said anything but yes. The General's requirements for Britain to join would be such a sacrifice to the island nation that membership wouldn't be a paying proposition for Britain. Yet Prime Minister Wilson has staked his political future on this one move and is determined to fight to the finish for membership.

In the meantime the Commonwealth which made Britain great is forced to look for other markets and trading partners for the day when England turns her back on them.

Not even the British Government counts on Common Market membership before 1970. But if Britain should eventually succeed in being admitted to the Common Market - even though this seems impossible at present - it would actually mean worse times ahead during a period of adjustment. This
adjustment would be demanded due to loss of Commonwealth trade. Because of high external tariffs to those outside the Common Market, nations like Australia, New Zealand and Canada could no longer buy from Britain simply because Britain could no longer buy from them. Nations inside the Common Market or associated with it would provide at less cost the foodstuffs or goods that the Commonwealth has been traditionally supplying.

But Common Market entry for Britain is doubly doubtful.

Few have dared to mention the big reason for keeping Britain on the “outside,” General de Gaulle only hinted at it when he said “Through Britain and the Scandinavian countries the European Common Market would lose its character.”

That “character” is at present about 70 percent Catholic in nature. Faithful De Gaulle doesn’t want that changed by admitting millions of English Protestants.

No matter which way Britain turns, she is going to get hurt! Britain is fast heading down the road of complete economic collapse with no human way out!

New Tariffs

Not only the Common Market breakthrough, but also the recent tariff revisions are significant.

The press generally hailed the conclusion of the four-year fight in the Kennedy Round of tariff negotiations a success. And it was a victory, but not for America. The Common Market nations are the big winner.

Let’s look at the facts.

Take the example of automobiles. All participants agreed to lower duty on cars by 50 percent.

But America sells very few cars in Europe. The U.S. models are too unwieldy, too big, for Europe’s crowded conditions. The big cars also are too expensive to license and insure. They also gulp too much gas which is higher priced in Europe. Europeans complain too that American autos just aren’t built to last.

It is not likely the U.S. will sell very many more cars in Europe when the import tariff is lowered.

But look at the advantage European car makers will have. Their autos are going like “hot cakes” in America as it is. With prices lowered through less duty, they are sure to sell even more.

Did you know that Volkswagen sells more cars in America and Canada than they sell in Germany? Two thirds of all Volkswagens made are exported. What will it look like when they can be sold even cheaper?

A Poor Deal

For chemicals the picture is even worse for Britain and America. It was the question of chemical tariffs that had threatened to block the four-year effort of the Kennedy Round negotiators. At the last minute a good and bad compromise was made. Good for Europe, bad for the United States and Britain.

Here is what Jerry E. Bishop said in the Wall Street Journal of May 17, 1967: “U.S. chemical industry executives angrily denounced the new chemical tariff agreements reached in the Kennedy Round negotiations in Geneva.”

“Disastrous is the only way I can describe the agreement,” declared Ernest M. May, president of Otto B. May, Inc., a dye manufacturer in Newark, N.J.

“It’s a bad deal, a very bad deal for the American chemical industry,” said Thomas P. Turchan, a vice-president of American Cyanamid Co. “We’ve opened the door for foreign producers to move into our domestic markets by making the largest tariff reduction in United States history. In exchange for this, we have received virtually meaningless concessions.

“If the new agreements go into effect, industry officials claimed, European chemical producers will be able to make new inroads into domestic U.S. chemical markets without the American companies having an equal chance to push deeper into European Markets."

Other American chemical heads have also asserted that various internal special taxes on American and British goods sold in Europe could more than offset any gain we might otherwise make due to the tariff reductions the Europeans agreed on.

The story is the same for steel, textiles, shoes and all other important trade commodities including farm products. America is losing the trade war, and the agreements made through the Kennedy Round are helping to rush her toward the greatest economic collapse this world has seen.

All these losses pose a serious threat to America’s and Britain’s dwindling gold supplies.

Gold Crisis Worsens

Our gold crisis has gone from bad to worse in both Britain and the U.S.

Britain’s deficit debt amounts to almost 9 billion dollars. But her gold reserve is hardly 3 billions, certainly within the danger level for such a high debt.

Henry Hazlitt of the Chicago Tribune recently reported: “We are heading rapidly toward a crisis of the dollar…”

The United States gold supply has dropped to a record low of $13.2 billion. For the first time in history, America may have to borrow from the International Monetary Fund because of the chronic imbalance of international payments.

On top of all this, the figures published on government finances may not give a true picture. A noted financial journalist and consulting economist recently revealed that the figures are often distorted or clouded by means of bookkeeping tricks and shenanigans. He concluded that the real financial distress is being camouflaged by statistical fudging.

Henry H. Fowler, U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, hinted darkly that unless European countries “cooperated” with the U.S. by following American cheap money policies, the United States would be driven “by unilateral action to a
radical and undesirable change" in its monetary system.

This is because vast sums of gold have been flowing to Europe. France now holds one quarter of the world's official gold stock.

To help stop her gold loss, the U.S. is now extracting promises from creditor nations not to buy gold. Treasury Secretary Fowler declared before a bankers' meeting that the U.S. feels impelled to find more such ways to "neutralize" the gold-loss threat.

But such moves only postpone the drain for a time.

One expert said that deals with the Germans and others "will see us through this year without a crisis." But he adds: "Eventually these things unfold."

**Common Currency for Europe?**

European sources recently stated that it would be foolish and unfortunate for the U.S. to refuse to pay a fixed gold price for dollars as rumored. Europeans don't want devalued dollars on their hands.

At present no single European currency is strong enough to replace the dollar in international trade. But an emergency situation might drive Europe to speed up unification and adopt a common currency based on their combined gold reserves.

French financial experts have said that "a gold embargo by the U.S. would create a dollar bloc on the one hand and a gold bloc in Europe. This war between the dollar and gold could disrupt world trade, bringing on a crisis."

This crisis could lead to the speedy realization of a prophesied ten-nation political union in Europe (see Rev. 17). But your Bible reveals Britain will not be one of the ultimate ten nations that will unite to resurrect the final restoration of this prophesied Roman Empire.

Here's why! Your Bible says that unless we repent of all sins Britain and America will be defeated—their population reduced to one third. Even this third will be taken captive to work as slaves in this gigantic trading Babylon. You need to write immediately for the free booklet *Americas and Britain in Prophecy*. You need to prove to your-self what is ahead. You can know!

**What Can You Do?**

It is high time you turned to a source of information you can put your trust in. There is such a source—your Bible.

Time and again over the years it has been proved infallible. You need to become familiar with this veritable fountain of truth. This reliable source also shows you how to escape the coming catastrophe. Write for your free copy of *The Proof of the Bible* and "There is a Way of Escape." Do it now before it is too late. Be prepared. Your future is at stake.

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**COMING—WORLD GOVERNMENT**

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realize that such a government is coming to this earth in the very near future?

Surprising as it may seem, such a wise world government is being planned for this strife-torn, war-weary earth. It is just around the corner. But it will not be established in the way men might imagine. This world government will in fact be established by the Almighty Creator God — without the consent or approval of mankind. It will be set up for the benefit of all humanity — and it will work! This super-government will eventually bring to this strife-torn earth everything mankind wants, but is unable to achieve on his own: peace, security, joy and happiness, prosperity and abundant health and well-being!

Nearly 2,000 years ago Jesus Christ came to this earth bearing the most important message mankind has ever heard. What did that good news include? That message was the GOSPEL (good news) OF THE KINGDOM OF God (Mark 1:14). Jesus continually revealed that God's Kingdom would be set up literally on this earth.

When the long-awaited Messiah returns to this earth as a conquering hero He will put down rebellious man's slaughter of his fellowman (Rev. 19: 11-21; Zech. 14:1-3). He will then force all nations to beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks (Isa. 2:1-4; Micah 4:1-3).

Christ will establish His world headquarters at Jerusalem, the City of Peace (Jer. 3:17). From Jerusalem He will rule all nations with a rod of iron! (Rev. 19:15; Ps. 96:13; 98:9.)

**Utopia at Last!**

The Prince of Peace will then teach the nations the way of peace and happiness (Isa. 9:6; Acts 3:15). There will be a 1,000-year period of world peace (Rev. 20:1-5).

There will be no more threats of war and annihilation (Isa. 11:1-9). At that time all nations will dwell together in complete safety.

Christ will rule the earth with the help of immortal, spirit beings — the very sons of God — who shall have overcome in this life and have proven willing to submit themselves to the laws and ways of God (Rev. 5:10).

Will man's long-desired Utopian age of peace and prosperity then be realized?

Yes, Christ's rule will produce a wonderful Utopia upon this earth.

But not before God has first allowed mankind to flounder around in his own human organizations — such as the United Nations — to first prove to man that he is totally incapable of bringing real peace to this war-ravaged earth through any man-devised peace plans!

Communism, Fascism — even Democracy! — can never bring true peace, happiness and prosperity to everyone on this earth!

The wonderful world tomorrow can be brought about only through the direct instrumentality of the government of God — the literal Kingdom of God established upon this earth. (Write for our free booklet: *The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like.*)

Only then will the many bickering nations truly learn the way of obedience and resultant peace which flows from obedience to God's law (Isa. 48:17, 18). Then, and only then, will humanity learn how to live in perpetual health, happiness, peace and prosperity.

May God Almighty speed that day!
AMASA, David's new army commander, had taken soldiers northward to pursue Sheba and the rebellious Israelites. David decided that Amasa was too slow and Abishai, a more experienced officer, would do much better. So Abishai was sent with more troops.

Joab went with Abishai because he was intent on regaining command of the army. When they overtook Amasa, Joab pretended to be friendly with him, but suddenly ran his sword into Amasa's chest. (II Samuel 20:1-10.)

A Cruel Age

In plain view of many soldiers Amasa fell by Joab's cruel and deceptive action. He died in great agony. Not a man had the courage to protest. Joab then proceeded to boldly take over the command of Amasa's soldiers as well as those of his brother, Abishai.

Joab and his soldiers continued northward in their pursuit of Sheba's army. Perhaps Sheba would have escaped if it had not been for a reliable report that Sheba and his men were in the city of Abel. When Joab and his men arrived at Abel, which was south of Mt. Lebanon in the territory of Dan, they were unable to batter their way through the gates.

Unhampered by the inhabitants, who made no move to defend themselves, Joab's troops piled a bank of sand and rocks up against one section of the wall, so that they could use battering rams against the higher, thinner part of the wall. (II Samuel 20:11-15.)
Having failed to break through the gates of the city of Abel, the Israelites hauled up rocks and sand to build a ramp up to the narrower, weaker part of the wall.

When they were about to break through, a wise woman appeared on top of the wall and loudly requested to speak with Joab. Action ceased while Joab came forward to identify himself and find out what the woman wanted.

"We are a peaceful, faithful people!" she called down. "Why have you come here to destroy our city?"

"I'm not here for the purpose of destroying a city!" Joab shouted back. "I am here to capture a Benjamite by the name of Sheba, who with his army is fortified within your walls. He has conspired against king David, and deserves to die. If your city doesn't give him up to us, we'll come in after him. We'll subdue him even if we have to tear your city apart!"

"What if we deliver him to you?" the woman asked.

"If you do that, we'll go away in peace," Joab promised.

"Then do no more damage to our walls," the woman said. "Give us a little while, and we'll throw this Sheba's head out to you!"

There was no way of knowing whether or not the woman had enough influence to fulfill her promise. But Joab waited. In any event, she was a person of considerable influence there, and managed to have Sheba beheaded. The head was tossed down to Joab, who made certain that it was really Sheba's head. As he promised,
Joab left Abel and returned to Jerusalem to report to David that another plan to take over the government of Israel had been foiled. (II Samuel 20:16-22.)

David was relieved to learn that the present danger was over. But he was disappointed and troubled because Joab had forced his way, even by murder, back into the command of the army of Israel. David could hardly change the situation, inasmuch as Joab was so admired for his ability as an army officer—though he had enemies. God was obviously allowing Joab to remain as commander. Even the king of Israel couldn't do much to change that.

David took advantage of this period of peace to improve the organization of his government and to appoint officials to various responsibilities. (II Samuel 20:23-26.)

Murder Brings Famine

During the next year the amount of rainfall in Israel was so small that there was a serious crop failure throughout the land. The following year the rainfall was even less. The year after that there was an even greater drought. David was very concerned. He was certain that God had brought on the condition for some specific reason. He asked the priests, Zadok and Abiathar, to try to find out why God had withheld rain from the Israelites.
An answer came from God to the priests, who told David that the famine had come to Israel because of Saul. He had ordered many Gibeonites to be slain in spite of a promise Joshua had made that they wouldn't be killed even though they were Canaanites.

David called the leaders of the Gibeonites to find out how they felt about the matter. He was told that they remembered the incident with very strong feelings, and that they still expected some kind of settlement from the Israelites, but not with money, valuables or property.

"To right that wrong made by Saul, payment must be made with seven lives from the family of Saul," the Gibeonites firmly stated.

On behalf of the nation David promised to give the seven men to the Gibeonites. (II Samuel 21:1-6.) This would seem to be a heartless thing to do, but something had to be done, because a whole nation was suffering a famine brought on by faithless king Saul who broke the agreement between Israel and the Gibeonites.

Seven men were chosen from among Saul's descendants and turned over to the Gibeonites. Mephibosheth was excluded because of the oath of perpetual friendship between his father Jonathan and king David. (I Samuel 20:12-17, 42.) The Gibeonites hanged the seven men David gave to them. The hanging corpses were protected from wild beasts and birds for some time. They weren't cut down until it started to rain days later when David finally took pity on their guardian. (II Samuel 21:7-14.)

When he was much younger, David had led his army in a long and successful struggle against the Philistines. For years they had remained subdued. Now a small army of them appeared on the west border of Judah to threaten the Israelite civilians living there. When the aging king heard of it, he set out with troops to stop the invaders before they could grow in numbers or penetrate farther into Israel.

A little while after the Israelites attacked the Philistines, David found that the vigorous action of battle was very tiring to him. He grew so weary that he sank to his knees on the ground. The champion of the Philistine troops, a giant named Ishbi-benob, thought that David was wounded, and that this was a wonderful opportunity to become famous as the slayer of the king of Israel. (II Samuel 21:15-16.)

Casting aside his huge spear, which was much heavier than the average man could use, Ishbi-benob pulled out his oversize sword and rushed toward David. Abishai, brother of Joab, noticed the giant charging toward David with his sword upraised. Abishai leaped forward in time to thrust his shield over
David just as the Philistine slashed viciously at the king. The blow landed on Abishai's shield, or otherwise it would have meant instant death for David.

Ishbi-benob was enraged at Abishai's action. He yanked back his sword to thrust at Abishai, but the smaller man was too quick for him. It was the giant who fell from a sword thrust, and not the Israelite. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they gave up the fight and fled westward back to their home territory.

Another Temptation

David had come very close to losing his life because of the weariness that was natural for a man of his years. His officers and advisors begged him not to go into battle again. They pointed out to him that it would be a blow to the whole nation if he were killed in battle. Besides, it would invite unqualified men to seek control of the kingdom. (II Samuel 21:17.)

Not long afterward the Philistine troops moved back into Judah. Again the champion was another giant, this one named Saph. David didn't go with his soldiers for this encounter, which resulted in victory for the Israelites when a man named Sibbechai courageously stood up to Saph and killed him in hand-to-hand combat.

Undaunted, the Philistines came into Judah a third time, and with still another giant, a brother of Goliath. As before, the Philistines hastily retreated when their champion was overcome by an Israelite named Elhanan.

The Philistines couldn't seem to learn that having giants on their side wasn't necessarily a guarantee for victory. For a fourth time they came into Israel, this time accompanied by a man who was unique not only for his enormous size, but because he had six fingers on each hand.
and six toes on each foot. Apparently the Philistines thought that this freak would somehow impress and terrify the Israelites to the point that they would give up. The giant was killed by David’s nephew Jonathan, regardless of all his extra toes and fingers. For the fourth time the Philistines retreated to their homeland. This ended, for a time, a period of trouble for Israel. (II Samuel 21:18-22.)

To show his thanks to God for protection, blessings and promises, David was inspired to compose a song. It is recorded in the Bible from II Samuel 22:2 to 23:7.

Surrounded by capable leaders and protected from invasion by many heroes (II Samuel 23:8-39), Israel’s matters were going well. David allowed himself to feel too secure and powerful. He began to wonder just how many people were in his kingdom, and how Israel compared in numbers to other nations. The more he thought about it, the more he was tempted to take a census, although God didn’t want such a thing to be done.

At last the king called in Joab, his army commander, and asked him to take men to every part of Israel to find out how many men were fit for army duty.

"May all the people in our land be multiplied by God a hundred times," Joab remarked. "But no matter what their numbers, sir, it surely would displease God if we were to count them with the purpose of trying to measure our nation’s strength. If we were to find that it is greater than we think, we could be tempted to make some unwise moves against other nations."

"For one who obviously has been without fear of God," David observed after giving Joab a long stare, "your present concern with what could displease the Creator shows quite a change in your thinking."

"Believe as you choose," Joab replied in his usual brusk manner. "I don’t think the idea is wise, and I know that the officers under me think the same."

An Error Progresses

"I respect your opinion and those of the other officers," the king went on firmly. "Nevertheless, I shall meet with you and those officers to give you the details of how I want the census taken." (II Samuel 24:1-4; I Chronicles 21:1-4.)

Nine months and twenty days later the unwilling Joab and his men returned to Jerusalem with their report after spending that much time in covering almost all of Israel to number the able-bodied men. (II Samuel 24:5-9.) The report given to David was that Judah had about half a million men who could serve as soldiers, and that the other tribes, not counting Levi and Benjamin, could supply over a million men. The grand total included the standing army and frontier guard. (II
Samuel 6:1.) Also the twelve monthly courses of troops that did garrison duty for king David at Jerusalem, and the twelve tribal chiefs' reserves. (I Chronicles 21:5; 27:1-22.)

Joab and his men didn't take a census of the tribe of Levi because that tribe supplied the priests and their helpers. They didn't get around to counting the men in the tribe of Benjamin or completing the census because the census was disgusting to Joab. Besides, by the time they got back to Jerusalem David was in a state of great distress and told Joab not to bother to complete the count. (I Chronicles 21:6; 27:24.)

The prophet Gad had come to the king with the alarming news that God had disclosed to him that He was very displeased with David for counting the people, a function that God would have performed only at His command.

"You would be making a grievous mistake to discount what I'm telling you," Gad warned. "God told me something terrible to tell you. He said that because of what you have done punishment will come to Israel. It will come in one of three ways. God is allowing you to choose that way!"

"Go on," David muttered, shakily fearful of what Gad was about to say.

"You must decide between three years of famine for Israel, three months of heavy attacks by enemy nations and three days of pestilence from God," Gad continued. "Tell me what your choice is. I must speak to God for you." (II Samuel 24:10-13; I Chronicles 21:7-12.)

David was quite shocked by Gad's words. For a brief period he sat and stared blankly while the stark, awful truth sank into his consciousness that God was again calling him to account for a sin. But even under the stress it wasn't difficult for him to make the decision that had to be made.

"Even though God is most powerful, I would rather fall into His merciful hands than fall into the hands of my vengeful enemies," the king told Gad. "If famine comes to our nation, I might not suffer as much as others, but if pestilence comes, it could fall upon all with equal misery. Therefore tell our God that if punishment must come to Israel because of my sin, let it be pestilence. May the Creator have mercy on us." (II Samuel 24:14; I Chronicles 21:13.)

Next morning, in the outlying sections of Israel, hundreds of people fell dead. It was as though their hearts had stopped beating. The abrupt deaths were confusing and terrifying to the people who saw others dropping all about them. They couldn't know that it was only the start of a terrible punishment sent
supernaturally by God. By the end of the day the mysterious lethal malady had spread inward over the land, killing thousands more people.

**God’s Altar of Mercy**

When a whole day had passed, many people were dead. The awful reports had reached so much of Israel that the nation was in a devastating state of fear and mourning. But the situation grew steadily worse, and as a third day rolled around the pestilence had crept inward across Israel from all directions almost to Jerusalem. By that time seventy thousand Israelites had died!

From the death reports that flooded into Jerusalem, it was evident to David that the area of the capital was the only region left in Israel where people hadn’t been touched by the fatal seizures. It occurred to the king that possibly God was leaving Jerusalem till the last so that the thousands living there would receive the full measure of God’s anger.

“I have sinned! I have done a wicked thing!” David loudly groaned, at last prostrating himself in repentant dejection on the floor. “Don’t let any more of my people die, God! Take me, instead! Spare those in Jerusalem!” (II Samuel 24:15-17, I Chronicles 21:14-17.)

Only a little while later that day Gad came to David to tell him, and other leaders who were dressed in sackcloth as a sign of mourning and repentance, that God had instructed that a special altar should be quickly erected at a certain place on Mount Moriah, a high area on the northeast side of the city.

“God knows that you deeply regret that you did wrong,” Gad said to David. “If you build this altar and make sacrifices there as soon as possible, God won’t allow the awful death plague to continue.”

The king heeded Gad’s advice without delay. Together with some of his advisors, he hurried to Mount Moriah. The top area of the hill was owned by a local Jebusite king by the name of Ornan (or Araunah), who had built a threshing floor there. King Ornan’s city, Jebus, was adjoining David’s city and the two kings were friends. Ornan was there at the time threshing wheat with his four sons.

King Ornan was aware that people were dying in the regions outside the city, and he was fearful of his sons or himself being struck down at any time. But he had work to do, and he reasoned that they would be no safer at home than at work. He was even more concerned when he looked up to see the brilliance of an angel above the land and to see David approaching with a few men. Ornan’s first impulse was to run and hide somewhere because he thought the king wouldn’t
being to visit him at such a time unless he had some reason to be angry with him. Hesitantly he went to meet David and inquired how he could be of service to the ruler.

“I would like to buy this property from you,” David told Ornan.

“If the king desires my property, he can have it,” Ornan declared.

“I’ll give you more than a fair price,” David said eagerly. “I need this high spot on which to build an altar to make special sacrifices to God. If it can be done this very day, perhaps He won’t let any more people die, and Jerusalem could be spared!” (II Samuel 24:18-23; I Chronicles 21:18-24.)

Ornan stared at the anxious face of the king. He wondered if selling his property could really be such a matter of life or death.

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**Tragedy Strikes**

“Mr. Armstrong,” he said in a voice that signalled even before his words that something was very wrong, “We’ve had a terrible accident, and Dick is in very critical condition.”

Quickly I asked for all of the facts. The accident had occurred a short distance north of San Luis Obispo, which is about halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco, on the Coast Highway. It had been a head-on collision. Both our men had been thrown completely out of the car. The right third of our car had been virtually sliced clear off. Dick had been sitting in the right front seat — often called “the death seat” — and had he not quickly moved to the left he would have been killed instantly.

As I learned later, they were driving north on the Coast Highway 101, after having baptized a man that morning. As Mr. Billingsley was driving, Dick had opened his briefcase, and was checking his list of people to visit planning their next few stops. They had been on a dual highway — one way traffic only on each side of a divided highway, with a short space in between. The divided highway had ended but somehow neither of them had noticed it. A half block or so to their left was another paved road running parallel to theirs, which Mr. Billingsley noticed, supposing it to be the other two lanes of the divided highway.

Assuming that they were still on the divided highway with only one way traffic on their two lanes, they were driving on the left lane to pass another car. Suddenly, from over a slight hilltop, came another car in their lane heading closely directly toward them. At this precise second they were almost past the car on their right — but not far enough to turn right in front of it in order to miss the oncoming car in their lane. There was no time for that, anyway.

Dick shouted, “Turn left! Turn left!”

Mr. Billingsley had only a fraction of a second to turn partly to the left. There was not enough time to turn out of the way of the oncoming car. Two cars, for example speeding toward one another at fifty miles an hour or more, seeing each other about 150 feet away, will crash into each other in less than one second!

The oncoming car hit them head-on, its right side striking our men’s car slightly to the right of center — crashing the oncoming car into the third car that our men were then passing. It was a three car crash!

But I didn’t wait for all these de-
and I was off in a flash for San Luis Obispo. Dick had been unconscious, and taken in an ambulance to a hospital in San Luis Obispo.

I had our switchboard telephone operator call our college physician, Dr. Ralph E. Merrill, asking him to be ready as I would be driving past his office in Glendale, on the way to San Luis Obispo. I asked Mr. Norman Smith, our radio studio manager, to go with me. Dr. Merrill was ready as we drove past. I drove as fast as I dared, consistently with safety.

Right then I was terribly aware of the DANGER of highway driving, and although I wanted to make the fastest time possible, caution and care in driving came first. It was a strenuous drive of approximately 200 miles.

Arriving at the hospital, we found that Dick had been transferred to another hospital — there were two hospitals in this little city.

We found him now conscious, but in very critical condition. His right arm was broken at the elbow; his pelvis had been broken badly, and they had him in traction. His jaw had been broken in three or four places; X-rays showed that his heart had been knocked over to the right — to the middle or slightly right of the middle of his chest; his left lung had been collapsed.

Mr. Billingsley had been examined, and released — not sufficiently injured to remain in the hospital.

Dick wanted to rely on God for healing, without medical aid. The doctors asked for a conference with me and Dr. Merrill. They explained that Dick was already in their care and to protect their reputation and that of the hospital, they had to administer medical aid or else have him moved, in which case he probably would die before we could get him home.

Dr. Merrill, who himself had been healed by direct prayer, and understood both sides of this problem, advised us against moving him in his very critical condition. The hospital doctors agreed to give him the very minimum of medical aid consistent with their own and the hospital’s protection. I learned later, however, that in practice that meant giving him everything “medicinal” knew how to give. It was a very difficult decision to make — but with so many bones broken it certainly seemed that we would be directly causing his death to move him out of the traction and other trappings and contraptions that they had him in.

Then followed one of the most tense, strenuous week’s vigils of my life. I telephoned my wife, and she with Lois, Dick’s wife, and their two and one-half month old son came to San Luis Obispo on the train. Of course Mr. Smith and I had anointed and prayed for Dick immediately. It was a week of almost constant prayer.

Registered nurses were required to be in constant attendance around the clock. We had one “R.N.” as they are called in hospitals, at the college and another had applied for entrance to Ambassador College that autumn. By telephone, I arranged for these two to come immediately to the hospital, and the hospital supplied the third nurse. We preferred to have our own nurses at his side so far as possible.

It was too agonizing a week to go into in detail. Dr. Merrill had to return to Glendale, but the rest of us remained in the hotel in San Luis Obispo, to be in constant attendance as possible. Lois had brought a friend, Helen Murray, as her name was then (she has since been married) with her.

The accident occurred on July 23, 1958. By evening of July 29, a very serious decision had to be made. Dick’s kidneys were not functioning enough to keep him alive much longer. The doctors at San Luis Obispo had called specialists from U.C.L.A. Medical Center to come up for consultation. They told me that it would be necessary to attempt to remove Dick to the Medical Center in Westwood (Los Angeles) where they could use an artificial kidney to stimulate normal action by his own kidneys. By carrying him suspended in traction on the special kind of pallet “bed” that he was strapped on, driving slowly in an ambulance throughout the night, they felt that they could successfully move him to the Los Angeles Medical Center. Our two nurses and one or more of their doctors went along in the ambulance. Also, Mr. Norman Smith, who had remained the week with me went along with them.

We tried to get a little sleep through part of that night rising and leaving about 5:00 a.m. for Los Angeles. We felt we should arrive not too much later than the ambulance, since it was to drive very slowly.

During the week, Dick had had various ones of us read the Bible to him. In spite of the pain, and the terrible condition, he kept in good spirits. Once, in prayer, he began thanking God for the many, many blessings that had been lavished on him. The nurse in attendance said that this continued a long time — he had so very MANY things to be thankful for.

I had typed out a number of Biblical promises that God had made for us, from various parts of the Bible, for our nurses to read to Dick in the ambulance when he was awake.

As we approached the Los Angeles area on the morning of July 30, strange premonitions seemed to come into my mind. I didn’t tell the others. I didn’t want to cause them any concern, worry, or lack of faith. This I had to fight out within my own mind, by prayer and mental concentration. Finally, it seemed that I had won a victory over these premonitions and I had gotten my mind again into a state of FAITH.

We drove into the U.C.L.A. Medical Center parking lot. We left the others in the car while Lois and I went to see Dick or to get a report on his condition. As we approached the entrance, Mr. Smith and our two nurses approached us, with the news that just before they could get the artificial kidney connected, Dick had died.

There were present some of the most famous surgeons and specialists in the nation. They cut Dick open near the heart and tried to massage his heart back into action — they tried frantically everything that such specialists know, but to no avail.

Dick’s body had been sent to a mortuary in Pasadena.

It hit Lois as if she had been shot. I grabbed her, steadied her.

"Steady, Lois," I said as calmly as I
could. 'Remember you have another very precious little life to nurse and keep alive, now. You must keep calm so that your milk will not be disturbed.'

Lois responded bravely, like the "trouper" that she is. Then we discussed how to break the news to Mrs. Armstrong. We tried to break it gently so it wouldn't come as too much of a shock. We tried to keep normal composure.

'They've taken Dick back to Pasadena,' I said, trying to be casual as if everything was OK. But no one ever could mislead my wife. She almost fainted — for she knew that we were only trying to ease the blow. But, she always was a real "trouper" too, and she quickly recovered without going to pieces — though naturally wounded to the very depths.

I am sorry I have to record this, but if I am to record the events of my life, I cannot omit the more tragic and unpleasant ones. But I think I shall beg off, now, and leave the remainder of this traumatic incident for the next installment, which I shall be able to end on a happier note.

MOTH-EATEN EVOLUTION

(Continued from page 6)

Are they really proof of evolution? Let's look at the facts.

Since the Industrial Revolution large areas of the earth have become polluted by grit, grime and smog. In heavily industrialized areas this smoke and soot can be measured in TONS per square mile — per month!

Sheffield, England, for example, has been smothered with as much as FIFTY tons in one month.

The smoke particles kill foliage and pollute the lichens. The boughs and trunks of trees become bare and BLACK.

Enter the famous peppered moth.

This moth occurs in two forms: a light one (Biston betularia) and a dark form (carbonaria).

A curious thing has been happening over the past fifty to one hundred years.

For example, in the Manchester, England, area during 1848 some 99% of the peppered moths were white! Fifty years later, 99% of the peppered moths were black. The blacker the area became, the greater was the spread of the black version of the peppered moth.

The ratio, has apparently stabilized at 90% dark forms to 10% light forms in British industrial areas such as Birmingham.

What's the significance of all this? Biologists and entomologists claimed: "This is evolution in action!" These moths, we are asked to believe, provide "the most striking instance of evolution ever actually witnessed in any organism, animal or plant!" (The Evolution of Life, article, "Evolution in Progress," Vol. 1, Sol Tax, editor.)

There you have it! The authorities — and they have studied the peppered moth — tell us it is a direct proof of evolution.

But is it really "evolution"?

Getting to the Trunk of the Tree

We want to hear it from the evolutionists themselves — so let's see what Julian Huxley has to say about it:

"There is the remarkable case of what is called industrial melanism — the fact that during the past hundred years many different species of moths have become virtually black in industrial towns, while remaining light and protectively colored in the countryside.

"Here, again, the new conditions had nothing whatever to do with the origin of the mutation which results in melanism. There were always a few rare melanic [black ones] ... and the new conditions merely provided them with their opportunity" (Evolution In Action, pages 39, 40).

Oh, oh! Problem Number One. Did you catch it?

There are always some black or "melanic" moths in certain varieties — just as there are the proverbial black sheep. In other words, no new species came into existence. Not even a gene had changed!

Now look at this short admission from another modern writer about this so-called "proof" of evolution:

"There was also the case of the peppered moth... it was believed that the dark form is more vital, but that it had been at a disadvantage until smoke darkened the landscape. When the grime of the cities offered protection, its superior viability reasserted itself and it rapidly spread.

"Natural selection was always at work, shaping, forming, adapting [according to evolutionists]. But no new characters, no new trees, no different moths could be seen emerging from the process" (Man, Time, Fossils, Ruth More, pages 186-187).

Ah, so they are still peppered moths!

But further — not even the dark ones were new types. Dark ones had already existed but formerly were more readily found by birds. But now they were able to spread more rapidly in soot-darkened areas. Not only were the dark moths more handy, but the light ones were no longer protected by their coloration from birds. At a double disadvantage, they diminished in numbers.

But there is no evolution here!

This is simply the increasing and decreasing in numbers of two color forms that had long existed.

But the point we make is this.

The peppered moth has within its genetic makeup a dominant gene that transmits — somehow, in a manner not completely understood by science — the color black to some of its offspring.

But it isn't as simple as that.

That gene — or whatever it is — does much, much more than just determine the wing color of the moth.

Let's read it in the words of a well-known researcher:

"The mutant gene [which, apparently, has always existed — since black moths have always been seen], however, does more than just simply control the coloration of the moth. The same gene (or others closely linked with it in the hereditary material) also gives rise to physiological and even behavioral traits."

After describing some of the intri-
cate correlations which the moths must make — which we’ll discuss briefly — the author concluded:

“It is evident, then, that industrial melanism is much more than a simple change from light to dark. Such a change must profoundly upset the balance of hereditary traits in a species” ("Darwin’s Missing Evidence," H. B. D. Kettlewell, Scientific American, March, 1959).

The ability of the moth is staggering.

Experiments were conducted to see if both light and dark forms could correctly "choose" the proper background to be camouflaged.

The results?

A very large proportion rested on the correct background. Whatever hereditary mechanism passes on color to a moth must also do something else.

The moth must have passed on to him the ability to SENSE COLOR of both the background and himself — and make the proper selection!

How Evolutionists Reason

We’ve clearly seen that this "great proof" of evolution is no such thing. A black moth is STILL the same moth! And further — a black moth is NOT evolution before our eyes. It’s been admitted that as far as scientists know, there have ALWAYS been black moths.

They were simply under a disadvantage in the resting position until industrial developments blackened the landscape. But now the BLACK ones were camouflaged, were more protected, escaped predators and rapidly multiplied. The white ones, having lost their camouflage, were reduced in numbers by birds.

It’s as simple as that.

No evolution, no change — not even new forms of the same species. Yet, this example is the one most often cited as an analogy of how big changes — reptiles’ legs into birds’ wings — supposedly occur.

Here, again, is Julian Huxley:

"That is all very well," you may say, "It seems to be true that natural selection can turn moths black in industrial areas... but what about REALLY ELABORATE improvements?"

"Can it transform a reptile’s leg into a bird’s wing, or turn a monkey into a man? How can a blind and automatic sifting process like selection, operating on a blind and undirected process like mutation, produce organs like the eye or the brain, with their almost incredible complexity and delicacy of adjustment? How can chance produce elaborate design?"

"In a word, are you not asking us to believe too much?"

"THE ANSWER IS NO: all this is not too much to believe, once one has grasped the way the process operates..."
LEPIDOPTERA CAMOUFLAGE

Moths and butterflies (order Lepidoptera) have been designed with mimicking and camouflaging abilities by the Creator God. Top left, moth imitates bumblebee. Top middle, bagworm moth, cocoon, just emerged, blends with leaves. Top right, geometrid moth larva makes a perfect twig. Bottom left, hawk moth on a rock. Right, swallowtail butterfly larva flashes false eyes at would-be predator.
the clue to the paradox is TIME" (Evolution In Action, pages 40-41).

But evolutionists themselves DO NOT know how the "process operates" and admit they don't. They admit the IMPOSSIBLE "odds" against any such thing happening. They are forced to admit there are NO INTERMEDIATE SPECIES. None of the literally MILLIONS of subtle changes required—and which should appear in the fossil record—have been found. They call it a "paradox" and then insist the "clue" to it all is TIME. Given enough time anything might happen, they say.

No. The real "clue" is a fertile IMAGINATION.

Face it, now. Haven't you just imagined how a certain creature "MIGHT HAVE" "gradually" acquired this or that characteristic? Evolutionists have. They can't see it happen. So they must use interminable periods of time.

But another important point you need to realize is THERE IS NOT ENOUGH TIME—even in the wildest amounts of time included in the hypothetical succession of strata—for these changes to have occurred. And that is according to evolutionists' own calculations! They simply run out of time in their time requirements for evolutionary changes within their imagined age of the earth.

No. The process DOESN'T "work" and therefore no one can "grasp" the way it "operates" because it does not operate.

The black moth is still a moth—and it has always been black. The only difference is there are more of them in blackened areas because as an industrial area becomes darker, the ratio of black moths to white moths within the area becomes greater.

Of course, we've never seen a reptile's leg become a bird's wing. It just doesn't happen. As a matter of fact, it's ILOGICAL and taxes the imagination to even think of such a ludicrous possibility.

What is the trunk of the tree?

"The way the process works!" But the process doesn't work that way. Do the evolutionists need a billion years to transform a reptile into a mammal? We'll give them two billion, five billion—no, TEN billion, if they want it.

There is no proof in the fossil record of evolution. There is no proof from human experience demonstrating evolution. How can we then know if evolution or creation is true?

It's simple!

Turn to Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning GOD CREATED the heaven and the earth." But apparently this is too simple for some who refuse to acknowledge that God does exist. But God says that EVERY KNEE will bow to Him.

Beyond Black and White

Moths perform some very phenomenal duties in the balance of nature. Moths are not just black and white. They come in a riot of colors. Not only that, but the activities of moths provide some of the most striking proofs of the existence of a Creator God.

Both moths AND butterflies belong to the insect order Lepidoptera. The word simply means "scaelywinged." Together moths and butterflies number 140,000 species.

Moth feeding on nectar. Note long proboscis—especially designed to reach hard-to-get juices. The geologic record shows moths and butterflies suddenly began WITH the flowering plants. Each is dependent on the other. Another case showing interdependency in God's Creation.

To describe all the almost unbelievable relationships between moths and plants and other organisms would require a book.

But here's a sampling.

The larva of the wax moth Galleria eats only—or at least lives on—the wax of the honeycomb in a beehive—much to beekeepers' chagrin! The larva has a special bacterium in its alimentary canal that breaks down the wax into nourishing food.

Conversely, moths such as the clothes moth Tineola readily digests the substance of such unpalatable materials as feathers, horns and wool.

The hummingbird hawk-moth Macroglossa ("Big Tongue" in English!) determines whether certain plants and flowers such as tobacco can even exist. The hawk-moth and other Sphingids are the only ones that can reach the nectar with their elongated proboscis.

As and they eat, they pollinate.
Yucca and Pronuba Moth

One of the most obvious and marvelous interdependencies in nature exists between the one-centimeter-long Pronuba moth and the bright desert-type flowers of the yucca.

Here is one researcher's comments:

"Yucca are common on the southern portions of the Great Plains, where they are conspicuous features of the landscape. Some kinds are grown in gardens. They belong to the lily family and their blooms are large and white but are not attractive to most insects.

"Only the small white Pronuba moth is adapted to their pollination, and this moth shows no interest in any other bloom.

"The female moth has special appendages on her mouthparts with which she collects a ball of pollen and places it upon the stigma. This assures her that the flower is properly pollinated and that seed will be produced.

"The Pronuba also plunges her ovipositor into the yucca ovary and deposits several eggs. As the seeds develop, the Pronuba larvae feed upon them and grow. By the time the larvae are mature most of the seeds will have been consumed. Only rarely, however, are all the seeds destroyed, and the plant is able to produce enough seeds to feed the Pronuba and to perpetuate the yucca species.

"Here is the classic example of symbiosis, a case where two organisms cooperate to their mutual benefit.

"Without the moth the yucca would not be pollinated, and the yucca is the sole host plant of the moth larvae.

ONE COULD NOT EXIST WITHOUT THE OTHER" (Insects, Ross Hutchins, page 266, 267).

No evolution here!

But this is only part of the story.

At just the right time, the Pronuba moth struggles into the air. The flower's fragrance leads it right to the top of the stamens. The moth scrapes together a wad of pollen.

She carries the load of pollen in her jaws and tentacles — these are especially adapted for the job!

Off she goes to another flower.

She backs down into the bottom of a flower, there to lay her eggs. The Pronuba moth is one of the few moths equipped with an ovipositor through which she lays her eggs. This tube is needle sharp — especially designed to be thrust through the yucca flower's ovary wall.

Next, she invariably climbs to the top of the same pistil. There she finds a cavity just the right size to receive the wad of pollen which she deposits. The yucca is now cross-fertilized.

There is a great plan here. While the Pronuba eggs are growing and getting ready to hatch, the yucca's seeds are ripening. When the moth caterpillars emerge from the eggs — there is plenty of food to sustain them.

There are several species of yucca plant and each has its own species of moth. The Pronuba moth has tentacles covered with stiff bristles. These are obviously designed for the purpose of collecting the pollen.

Remarkably Adapted

But does the moth know what it is doing? Did it think out the relationship? How did it learn to cross-fertilize the yucca?

Let this authority speak:

"The number of the eggs laid are so moderate that the caterpillars have enough to eat until pupation, and there is still seed to spare.

"Thus the plant also gains, for without the interference of this small moth it would presumably remain barren. But did this creature behave intelligently? The reply is unfortunately 'No.' The yucca moth never knew its parents, so there is no question of learning from experience" (What Science Knows About Life, Heinz Wolterek, page 121).

Here is an insect which, though incapable of reasoned-out thought, yet seems to know that better seeds result from cross-fertilization than from putting the pollen on the stigma of the same flower!

Here are plants which, when grown as ornamental plants in gardens away from the Pronuba moth's environment, do not yield seeds — because the moth is absent. Without the moth to pollinate them they will die out. And think of the moths that could not perpetuate their species without their particular variety of yucca!

Yet, we are asked to believe that this relationship could have evolved over thousands of years. Meanwhile all the yuccas and Pronuba moths would have died — before they learned how to live together! Blind, unthinking natural selection could not produce such an exacting relationship!

It's an insult to anyone's intelligence.

It should be obvious to a child that great planning was involved in the creating of such a relationship.

The planning required was infinitely more advanced than what man has been able to think out and plan. The yucca-Pronuba-moth relationship required super-human intelligence. It requires an Intelligence that only the Great Creator God possesses.

This is only the beginning of the proof that evolution is moth-eaten. A succeeding installment will reveal the marvelous mysteries of moth and butterfly metamorphosis which puzzle and astound evolutionists.

In Conclusion

You have just finished reading the eleventh installment of this series. The question is: what are you doing about this knowledge.

You now have proof positive that a Great Living God exists. The Creator of this vast universe. The Living Ruler over all things!

And He created all the vast interdependency of life around us — just so that we human beings could exist. The oxygen, the water, the plants, the animals, the sea life — everything is absolutely necessary to sustain human life on earth.

That's the only reason it exists!

But why?

Because God has a GREAT PURPOSE for each human. Most people simply aren't aware of why they are here; where they are going; or what they hope to accomplish.

The reason is simple. Most people have forgotten God exists. But this series of articles should be burning it into your mind that God does exist. You need to write in for our free booklet, Why Were You Born? Find out what your purpose in life is. It's a whole lot greater than you have ever imagined.
It's "full speed ahead" again in the world's nuclear missile race.

Secretary of Defense McNamara announced, September 18, the United States will soon begin constructing a $5 billion antiballistic missile system. This limited, so-called "thin" defense network, is designed primarily to thwart a possible Red Chinese attack. It is hoped to be completed by the time Peking has operable hydrogen-tipped intercontinental missiles by the mid-1970's.

To build a "sophisticated" network against the far more advanced Soviet missile strike force would cost another $25 to $35 billion. It has been decided not to build such a complex system — at least for now. At the moment, reason U. S. leaders, China seems the more threatening of the two Communist powers.

But Russian Force Grows Too

Other governmental studies, however, reveal a steady gain in Soviet Russia's nuclear might.

In London, the authoritative Institute for Strategic Studies claims Russia's production of intercontinental ballistic missiles grew by 50 percent during 1966, somewhat narrowing the so-called "missile gap." Other sources fear the Soviets have developed a huge new rocket capable of delivering 10 or more individually guided H-bombs.

But the development feared most by American military men is a new nuclear "X-ray shield" the Soviets are apparently working on to defend key Russian targets. If perfected, this system could call for radically new designs in America's strike force. It may force abandonment of the present Minute-man and Polaris missiles.

Appeal Unheeded

Washington tried to talk the Russians out of deploying an antimissile system. The Soviets turned down the U.S. appeal. Therefore most analysts feel America's new-China-oriented defense web is only the beginning — that pressures will mount for "full security" against all forms of attack.

Countless billions of dollars more will be spent by both sides, imposing, as President Johnson said, "on our peoples and on all mankind an additional waste of resources with no gain in security to either side."

What a tragic state of affairs.

As Defense Secretary McNamara admitted, both America and Russia already have far more than enough destructive power to destroy each other.

"A mere 400 one-megaton weapons, if delivered on the Soviet Union," Mr. McNamara said, "would be enough to destroy over one third of her population and one half of her industry." The United States now has over 51/2 times this offensive power — 2,200 weapons each averaging over one megaton (a million tons of TNT) apiece.

Despite this awesome possession of power, the action-reaction buildup speeds on relentlessly. And despite feverish attempts at constructing antimissile defenses, whole cities are nevertheless prophesied in your Bible to be devastated through cataclysmic hydrogen warfare unless the nations repent.

"In all your dwelling places the cities shall be laid waste," God warns the descendants of ancient House of Israel — the English-speaking world today. (Ezek. 6:6; see also Lev. 26:31.)

Punishment from God — through the hands of a foreign enemy — is coming. But the enemy that will strike will not be Russia or China, incredible though that may seem. Write for our free booklet, 1975 in Prophecy, to see who this as-yet-unsuspected enemy is.

Crime Streaks Upward

Crime in the United States has taken another giant leap upward (see chart, opposite page).

The FBI's Uniform Crime Reports disclose that crime rose 17 percent during the first six months of 1967 when compared to the same period of 1966. This sharp increase, it might be noted, does not reflect the heavy riot-filled months of July and August.

In crimes of violence FBI statistics show increases of 30% in robbery, 20% in murder, 11% in aggravated assault and 7% in forcible rape. Crimes against property also show whopping increases. Auto theft rose 19%, burglary 18% and larceny 16%.

Ezekiel the prophet foretold this exact time we — the descendants of the ancient House of Israel — are living in. "Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence" (Ezek. 7:23).

Winter Riots

Privately, certain city officials in the U. S. fear a "long cold winter" will follow on the heels of this year's "long
hot summer” of rioting. Rumors are circulating through some urban ghettos of planned disorders, of looting, burning and pillaging at a time when snow clogs city streets, making passage of police and fire equipment difficult.

Meanwhile, leading newspapers are carrying reports of certain “black power” leaders touring the nation, churning up hatreds. In a fiery speech in Camden, N. J., the United Press International reported that H. Rap Brown exhorted hearers to “go get guns” and to “prepare yourself for war.” In East St. Louis, Brown shouted to a crowd to “stop singing and start swinging.” Swinging they did, for three straight riot-filled nights.

In Detroit, Brown told a cheering crowd that rioters in that city “did a good job.” Brown told his listeners that the United States was trying to “wipe out” the Negro population through the Vietnam War, birth control programs and “starvation” of Negro children in the South. “Within 20 years we’ll be just like the buffalo,” Brown said.

The Bible graphically foretold these trying days: “In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood” (Ezek. 22:9).

Even religious leaders were prophesied to be involved in today’s civil commotions (verse 24). Paul warned of those who have “a form of godliness”—religious leaders who condone sin and rebellion instead of teaching people to turn from sin.

Ezekiel 22:28 (Smith and Goodspeed version) speaks of the national crises now facing the U.S. and the whole English-speaking world: “Her prophets [religious leaders] also daub their walls with whitewash [whitewashing, glossing over great evil] showing them empty visions... saying, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD,’ when the LORD has not spoken.”

But these deceived leaders of men could do nothing if the common people were not also guilty of sin!

Verse 29: “The common people practice oppression, and commit robbery [up 30% for the first half of this year!]; they wrong the poor and needy, and treat the resident alien [‘stranger’ in the King James version] with injustice.” Yes, the Negro, and other minority groups have been, in part, mistreated! Many recent surveys show how much more those living in ghetto areas have to pay for merchandise, often shoddy merchandise, than people living in better neighborhoods.

Great injustices have been done. Politicians (“princes,” verse 27) and religious figures (“prophets,” verse 28) have too often condoned such evil, and shut their eyes to it. The result—revenge seekers threatening to tear apart the cities of America.

Disastrous Fires

Forestry officials estimate some 400,000 acres of timber and range land—an area roughly half the size of Rhode Island—have been blackened by fire in Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana, Washington, and British Columbia this summer.

The monetary loss amounts to many millions of dollars. The cost of fire fighting alone has gone well over $20 million. Seldom if ever in history has so much manpower and equipment been mobilized to combat forest fires.

Most of the blame for the fires is placed upon an unusually wet spring that brought heavy undergrowth to the forests followed by a searing dry spell that turned trees, grass, shrubs and weeds to tinder. Lightning, crackling out of so-called “dry storms,” ignited three fourths of the blazes.

These tragedies are the forerunners of future disasters of the same type, culminating in the terrible “Day of the Lord” spoken of time and again in Bible prophecy.

Notice the first chapter of Joel, verses 15 and 19: “Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty [because of mankind’s rebellious ways] shall it come... for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness and the flame bath burned all the trees of the field.”

Verse 20 also depicts serious drought conditions yet to come — for the rivers of waters are dried up— which lead to such fire conditions. We have witnessed only the beginning.
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