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WILL JESUS CHRIST COME AGAIN?

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TESTIMONY OF THE BIBLE!

The Bible is very clear - Jesus Christ will come to earth a second time! Without His return to establish the true Kingdom of God, the Bible message will be incomplete. In the Old Testament among many verses, we read that the One who came to Jerusalem riding on a donkey **"...will speak peace to the heathen and his dominion shall be from seas to sea."** ~*Zechariah 9:10*. Obviously Jesus did not reign like that when here. Of God's Son, *Isaiah 9:7* says the Son will be established on the throne of David and **"Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end..."** The New Testament is replete with statements that He will come again to earth - personally; in a body. **"...unto them that look for him, he shall appear the second time without sin unto salvation."** ~*Hebrews 9:27*. If He does not come again, the Bible would be in error and that cannot be! God has said, **"The Scriptures cannot be broken."** The Bible is a worthless Book if Jesus Christ is not coming back to earth to establish the Kingdom of God.

TESTIMONY OF PROPHECY!

The Old Testament declares that God's Son would be virgin born, *Isaiah 7:14*; born in Bethlehem, *Micah 5:2*; be rejected, *Isaiah 53*; die on a tree (cross) etc. The New Testament testifies to many prophecies fulfilled at His first coming and predicts a second advent scores if not hundreds of times: He shall come again in the same manner as He went to Heaven, *Acts 1:11*; He will come and every eye shall see Him, *Revelation 1:7*; He shall rule the earth with a rod of iron, *Revelation 2:17*; etc. If hundreds of prophecies have already been fulfilled literally, it makes no sense to say those related to Christ's return are to be understood *spiritually*. As surely as He was born of a virgin, crucified and risen again, *he will visibly return to the earth!*

TESTIMONY OF JESUS CHRIST!

His preaching was full of prophecies of His literal return! *John 14:3*: **"If I go away I will come again."** *Matthew 24:44*: **"Be ye ready; for in such an hour that ye think not the Son of man cometh."** He said He would come unannounced, **"as a thief in the night!"** You may not believe it, but if you reject His testimony and the testimony of the whole Word of God, the only thing left for you is judgment!

When He comes, he will do two primary things: He will judge all who have not believed that He is the only Savior of men. God says that you are a sinner: **"All have sinned and come short of the glory of God."** Sin must be paid for! We have nothing to pay God so, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to die, to shed His blood, for our sins. **"The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son cleanseth us from all sin."** God says, **"It is appointed unto men once to die, and after this the judgment."** To avoid judgment and the punishment you deserve, you must trust Jesus Christ and His death and resurrection in your place. Then, He will establish the Kingdom of God on earth. He declared: **"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God."** When you receive Christ, you are born again. Trust Him today and be ready for His return! *Yes, He is coming again! Are you ready?*

(Gospel Tract by Pastor Starr)

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YOUTH CORNER

FOUNDING FATHERS AND CHRISTIANITY!

The Fundamental principles concerning the place of religion in our land have been completely perverted. The founding fathers never intended that there be no public expression or acknowledgement of God, and Yes, Christianity. Probably only a few of the founding fathers were "born again" Christians, but most if not all professed some form of Christianity and believed it to be the religion of America. Here are a few quotations out of hundreds.

Benjamin Franklin: When the Constitutional Convention was getting nowhere and seemed doomed to failure, Franklin said: "...How has it happened, Sir, that we have not hitherto once thought of applying to the Father of lights to illuminate our understanding? I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth – that God governs I the affairs of men."

George Washington: "It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible." He was not a deist as many have written but a life-long member of the Episcopal Church. Henry Muhlenberg said of him: "I heard that Gen. Washington rode around his army yesterday admonishing everyone to fear God...and to practice the Christian religion."

John Adams – 2nd President: "Suppose a nation... should take the Bible for their only Book... What a Utopia would that region would be...As I understand the Christian religion, it was and is a revelation."

James Madison – 4th President: "Cursed be the learning that is contrary to the cross of Christ." "Religion is the foundation of government."

Andrew Jackson – 7th President: "I have been brought up a rigid Presbyterian to which I have always adhered." Referring to the Bible he said: "That Book, Sir, is the Rock upon which this Republic sets."

Daniel Webster: "The Gospel is either true history or it is a consummate fraud...there is no alternative. The Gospel of Jesus Christ must be a divine revelation."

Abraham Lincoln: "I now leave not knowing when or whether I may ever return, and with a task that is greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without assistance of the Divine Being who ever attended him, I cannot succeed. With that assistance, I cannot fail."

These were not merely private sentiments but were largely made on public platforms. Our people have been brain-washed into believing that this land was founded by a bunch of agnostics at worst and liberal deists at best. And now we have to cater to the Islamists. The hour is late! Is it too late?

NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

RICHARD DAWKINS NOT SURE ABOUT GOD

Richard Dawkins, the controversial Oxford University professor billed by many as the “world’s most famous atheist” now says he is not 100 percent sure God doesn’t exist -- but just barely, the [Religion News Service](#) reports. In a debate with Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams Feb. 23, Dawkins conceded a small bit of doubt that there was no such thing as a creator; the evolutionary biologist quickly added that he was “6.9 out of seven” certain of his long-standing atheist beliefs. “I think the probability of a supernatural creator existing [is] very, very low,” he said. Dawkins, author of *The God Delusion* and other bestsellers, is a leader of the “new atheist” movement that aggressively challenges belief in God and religion. “What I can’t understand is why you can’t see [that life started from nothing] and is such a staggering, elegant, beautiful thing, why would you want to clutter it up with something so messy as a God?” he said. – *Religion Today* (2/28/12). Ed. One wonders just what is going through the mind of this blatant atheist, no doubt the “world’s most famous atheist.” Any possibility that there is a God casts doubt on his theories. By the way, that’s all evolution is, a theory, for there is no proof.

EVOLUTIONIST SAYS DARWINISM A RELIGION

Philosopher of science Michael Ruse writes: “Evolution is promoted by its practitioners as more than mere science. Evolution is promulgated as an ideology, a secular religion--a full-fledged alternative to Christianity, with meaning and morality. I am an ardent evolutionist and an ex-Christian, but I must admit that in this one complaint ... the literalists are absolutely right. Evolution is a religion. This was true of evolution in the beginning, and it is true of evolution still today” (“How Evolution Became a Religion,” *National Post*, May 13, 2000). – *FBIS* (3/2/12). Ed. It’s got to be believed – it can’t be proven!

ATHEISTIC CONFUSION. Famed atheist Alain de Botton, also a best-selling Swiss author and philosopher known for challenging Richard Dawkins and what he calls his “destructive” atheistic theology, has in a recent interview highlighted many ways in which religion is useful even for secularists. De Botton and Dawkins most recently clashed over plans to build a 151-foot atheist temple in London. De Botton is helping fund the project, which he says will symbolize more than 300 million years of life on Earth and be a place for “love, friendship, calm and perspective.” Dawkins, on the other hand, the author of *The God Delusion*, described plans for the temple as being “misplaced for non-believers to build quasi-religious buildings, because atheists did not need temples to probe the meaning of life.”

“I think there are better things to spend this kind of money on. If you are going to spend money on atheism you could improve secular education and build non-religious schools which teach rational, skeptical, critical thinking,” Dawkins explained. De Botton, however, argues in his new book *Religion for Atheists* that places of contemplation and community, such as temples, are one of the many positive aspects about religion that secular people need to adapt in their daily lives. In an interview with the Australian broadcaster ABC, the philosopher insisted that religious practice and secular ethics do not need to be so separate, and atheism can learn a lot from religion. “This is, you know... I think religions are far too useful, complex, intelligent to be abandoned simply to those who happen to believe in them. They’re for all of us, especially nonbelievers,” he insisted. –*TBC* (3/16/12). Ed. One thing this shows is that the evolutionists are far from agreed on just what the truth is according to them.

WASHINGTON, D.C. AND RAT RELOCATION.

Virginia Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli said he is worried that a new D.C law that governs how pest control operators must handle rats may result in entire rodent families being transported into Virginia. Evidently there has been a growing rat population in the nation’s capital. Cuccinielli says, “The new law is crazier than fiction.” because it requires that rats and other vermin not be killed but captured...and relocated. Some may need to be transferred to a “wildlife rehabilitation” as part of the relocation process. Cuccinelli told CNSNews “Now if you don’t relocate them about 23 miles away, according to experts, they may be able to find their way back.” The new law expands the definition of wildlife and sets the rules for handling it to include raccoons, squirrels, skunks, and other animals that can carry disease, such as rabies.

Ed. Amazing! Crazy! Ludicrous!

MUSLIMS GROWING IN NUMBER IN U.S.

There are numerous faiths of a nonbiblical nature that are growing and increasing in America. According to Council on American Islamic Relations (a radical pro Islam organization) the current number of Muslims in the U.S. is 7 million. This is a drastic increase from 1,104,000 estimated in 2001. The number of organizations that engage in religious lobbying or advocacy in Washington D.C. has increased by 500 percent in the past four decades. These lobbying groups spend collectively \$390 million a year on effort to influence public policy. There are currently more Muslim-backed groups than Bible-believing-Christian ones.

EVERY CHILD INSANE

I recently came across this article from my file. Though it is forty years old, it shows how successful have the promoters of universalism, globalism and multiculturalism been.. Every Child Insane; a quote from Dr. C. M. Pierce, Harvard University, speaking to 1,000 teachers during a 1973 Childhood Education International Association seminar: “Every child in America entering school at the age of five is insane, because he comes to school with certain allegiances toward our elected officials, toward his parents, toward a belief in a supernatural being, toward the sovereignty of this nation as a separate entity...It’s up to you as teachers to make all of these sick children well; by creating the international children of the future.” “International children” indeed! Teach them that national sovereignty is bad – globalism (one world) is good; Yes, let us aim for socialism and communism which are good. No nation can long survive multiculturalism! It is division and leads to anarchy! As socialistic as Germany (and other nations) is, they don’t teach foreigners among them their native language; your children must go to German schools and learn to speak German! I read of one state (and not a populous one) where 18 different languages are taught in various school districts. The truth is the world hates America for its superiority and is doing all it can to pull us down to their level. And they are doing a pretty good job because we are helping them. I like the statement of Teddy Roosevelt who said, “If you are an American and something else, you are not an American.” Of course, those who know and believe the Bible realize that there is coming a wicked globalism under one called the Antichrist.

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WE KNOW YOU NOT

The following is from the book, *The Heretics* by Hermann Kurter. “I think that if Luther and Zwingli would rise again from their graves, they would drive us from the building site and say to us: ‘We know you not, in spite of all the fine sermons you make on Reformation Day. You are not Protestants at all, you do not protest one bit; you only commemorate our protests... But where are your new weapons, and where are the battle lines of your modern foes? Do you not see what we said in our time to a rotten church must be said today ---not in the same words but in the same spirit --- to a rotten society dedicated to Mammon: Let us have God’s justice...put off your lukewarm natures. Rise out of your shadow existences, protest again, not against ancient ghosts who are of no account, but against the enemy that dominates our age...’” While we Baptists are not Reformers per se, we have much for which to thank Luther, Zwingli and others, who “hazarded their lives in opposition to the ungodly Roman Catholic Church. Be assured that it is the same enemy today only a lot more subtle. (And there are other enemies of God and His true Church which need exposing). As for Roman Catholicism, it’s greatest days for evil are ahead. Read Revelation 17, where she is called: “Mystery, Babylon the Great...” She rides the Beast, who is the Antichrist! Yes, it is Rome (The Roman Church) for what other city is known as the city on seven hills (Revelation 17: 9) and what city ruled the world in the days of the Apostle John? (17:18). I urge you to read the entire chapter of Revelation 17. But where are the Fundamental Baptists that decry this and warn the people of this counterfeit church which is gaining in strength and popularity day by day?