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A Painting by Micha'el Washer, for Arnold Beizer

The Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry recently commissioned renowned artist Micha'el Washer of El Paso, Texas, to design an oil painting depicting the meaning behind the "Sword of the Lord." The Lord has blessed Micha'el Washer and his ministry — Master's Design — with a vision and a master's touch. Applying his skilled brush strokes, Micha'el has created a picture which is truly worth a thousand words.

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On the cover of this issue of "The Sword" is a painting, the composition of which comprises various pieces of a puzzle which appear as the facets of a jewel, that fit together perfectly. The main theme of the painting centers around the figure of Gideon, victoriously holding up the Sword of the Lord. Behind Gideon is a representation of the scene that took place the night that God defeated a powerful foe by the hand of Gideon and his small band of faithful soldiers. Gideon trusted the Lord, though seemingly hopelessly outnumbered by the fierce army of the Midianites. By the Wisdom of God and trusting in the Sword of the Lord, Gideon and his 300 men were enabled to overcome and defeat a vastly superior enemy of hundreds of thousands.

In the diamond panel at the left of the painting, one can see the tents of the Midianites and a huge barley cake rolling into the camp to destroy one of them. As Gideon secretly stood outside that tent, one of the enemy soldiers inside spoke of a vision he had which Gideon overheard. Afterwards, Gideon had the courage to obey God's battle plan which had seemed foolish to him beforehand. The symbolism of a barley cake, according to the artist Micha'el Washer, is significant: the rabbis saw this as a clue that the defeat by Gideon took place at Passover. Therefore, above the camp of Midian, one can see a full moon, Passover being on the fourteenth of Aviv, always at the time of the full moon. Interestingly, Yeshua (Jesus) fed five thousand with five barley loaves on Passover (John 6). Jesus said of himself, "I am the bread of life."

In the diamond on the right of the painting can be seen the way in which God gave the Midianites into the hand of Gideon. Gideon's three hundred men held shofars (rams' horns) in their right hands, and "lapidot" (torches) concealed by earthen pitchers in their left hands. This was a perfect picture of the Messiah. The men in Gideon's army blew their shofars, broke the pitchers that covered the lapidot (candles of the Lord), and shouted, "the Sword of the Lord and Gideon!"

This battle symbolizes the defeat of the enemy of our souls at Passover, the artist Micha'el Washer tells us. When the crucified Saviour Yeshua rose from the dead, the trumpets of the Lord (the Apostles and Prophets) announced it to the enemy and to the world. Yeshua's body — an earthen vessel made from the dust of the earth — was like the pitcher containing the bright candle inside (God's Spirit). When the pitcher was shattered, the true glorified Light of Yeshua was shown and shone for the whole world to see — right inside the camp of the enemy!

So much for the background of the painting. The main theme focuses on the Sword of the Lord itself. Cutting through the center of the painting is the "Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God" (Ephesians 6:17). Connected with the Sword is a panel of related Scriptures in the lower left-hand portion of the painting. The first Scripture on the left is from Chapter 19 of the Book of Revelation:

"Then I saw Heaven opened, and behold a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness, He judges, and makes war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a Name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called the Word of God. And the armies in Heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He smites the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe, and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS." (Revelation 19:11-16)

The next passage takes up three quarters of the next panel to the left.

"I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, and trampled them in My fury; their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My robes. For the Day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come. I looked, and there was no one to help, and I wondered that there was no one to uphold; therefore, My own arm brought salvation for Me; and My own fury, it sustained Me. I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, made them drunk in My fury, and brought down their strength to the earth." (Isaiah 63:3-6)

The next passage takes up the bottom quarter of that column, and one quarter of the top of the next.

"If I whet My glittering sword, and My hand takes hold on judgment, I will render vengeance to My enemies, and repay those who hate Me. I will make My arrows drunk with blood, and My sword shall devour flesh, with the blood of the slain and the captives, from the heads of the leaders of the enemy." (Deuteronomy 32:41,42)

The last passage takes up the rest of the last column on the left.

"Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil Day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with the truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of Salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." (Ephesians 6:13-17)

At the top right of this beautiful painting is its title: HEREV L'ADONAI, that is, the SWORD OF THE LORD.

The Sword of the Lord is the Word of God. The Jewish Messiah of Israel chose his words carefully in order to pierce the hearts of his listeners ... He said:

"The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." (John 6:63)

And the New Testament records that,

"The Sword of the Spirit" is the "Word of God." (Ephesians 6:17)

The Sword of the Lord is an offensive weapon against the forces of evil. It can be used effectively against the enemies of the Gospel of Truth. On the bottom of the painting we can see the benefit of having taken up the Sword of the Lord:

"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." (Luke 10:19)

"God is my strength and power" (2 Samuel 22:33). He has given unto us the Sword of the Spirit. We shall overcome our adversaries,

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." (Zechariah 4:6)

The Lord is Commander-in-Chief of the Lord's army (Joshua 5:14). He wields a sharp sword (Joshua 5:13). We are to follow in His footsteps when we engage the enemy in battle.

"if the Lord be God, follow him." (I Kings 18:21)

And Jesus said,

"Follow me." (Matthew 8:22)

God leads the way (Exodus 13:21). We are to follow Him in the path of righteousness:

"Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face." (Psalm 5:8)

"I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment." (Proverb 8:20)

Now recall, it was the Angel of the Lord who went before Joshua with sword drawn in hand before the Battle of Jericho began. It was the Angel of the Lord who went before the camp of Israel and who removed and went behind them (Exodus 14:19). And it was the Lord who sent an Angel before them to keep them in the way (Exodus 23:20). It was the Angel of the Lord who went before the people unto the enemies of the people of Israel (Exodus 23:23). It was the Angel of the Lord who went before the people to lead them into the place he promised them (Exodus 32:34). It was the Angel of the Lord who appeared before Balaam with sword drawn in hand (Numbers 22:31). And it shall be the Angel of the Lord who returns at the time of the End to defend the Lord's city Jerusalem and its inhabitants.

"In that day shall the Lord defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the Lord before them." (Zechariah 12:8)

Matthew also spoke of that great day:

"...and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." (Matthew 24:30)

Mastering The Sword Of The Lord

When we master the use of God's SWORD, His Word promises to give us Power over our adversaries (Luke 10:19; Ephesians 6:10-17). When we follow the strategic plan of the Angel of the Lord who has his sword drawn in hand — miracles can be expected. Peace can be achieved and the battle won without ever firing a shot. Like a shot — God's Word is "heard round the World." It penetrates the hearts of the wicked, non-believers, and believers alike.

Let us take hold of the Sword of the Lord which is the Word of God and see what lessons we can learn and perhaps apply to the situation in the Persian Gulf.

We are dealing with a wicked, ungodly leader — Saddam Hussein — who thought nothing of invading his friendly neighbor Kuwait to take a prey and to take a spoil. He is proud, arrogant, egotistical and full of wrath. He has scoffed in the face of world rebuke. He refuses to listen to the indignation of the nations. But what does God's Word teach us about such a man as this?

"He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly. A man of wicked devices is hated." (Proverb 14:17)

How do we deal with such a man?

"An angry man stirreth up strife." (Proverb 29:22)

"Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools." (Ecclesiastes 7:9)

"A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." (Proverb 15:1)

"A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife." (Proverb 15:18)

"He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city." (Proverb 16:32)

And concerning Saddam Hussein — what can he expect as a consequence of his deplorable conduct? The Word of the Lord says:

"He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail." (Proverb 22:8)

"Better is a little with righteousness, than great revenues without right." (Proverb 16:8)

"The righteous is delivered out of trouble and the wicked cometh in his stead." (Proverb 11:8)

"Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud." (Proverb 16:19)

Will Saddam Hussein learn his lesson? Perhaps, but then again,

"A reproof entereth more into a wise-man than a hundred stripes into a fool." (Proverb 17:10)

Should we move headlong into battle or wait upon the Lord?

"The horse is prepared against the day of battle but safety is of the Lord." (Proverb 21:31)

Should we take the offensive now and attack Saddam Hussein's army?

"Vengeance belongeth to the Lord." (Proverb 26:10)

Perhaps we should wait and see what the Lord has in store for this wicked prince? What does the Word of God say concerning us and Saddam Hussein?

"They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling place of the wicked shall come to naught." (Job 8:22)

"But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and they shall not escape, and their hope shall be as the giving up of the ghost." (Job 11:20)

"Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine." (Job 18:5)

"The triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment." (Job 20:5)

"Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die." (Proverb 15:10)

"The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his wrath. This is the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage appointed unto him by God." (Job 20:28-29)

Already Saddam Hussein is suffering as a result of his own foolish conduct. The economy of Iraq is slowly grinding to a halt. Saddam Hussein can no longer import or export goods. Iraq is effectively being put out of business.

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What Should Be Our Next Move?

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31)

Now, if we wait upon the Lord, Saddam Hussein will be forced to either give up or attack. But he will not dare to take the offensive against the United States, knowing that he will face certain defeat and have no allies to support him. Thus, he must eventually give in. If we wait ... then Checkmate!

In this international game of chess it will be the patient one who waits upon the Lord and who will earn victory <u>without</u> bloodshed. But if pride gets in the way, and anger overtakes reason, then the Word of the Lord reminds us:

"Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall." (Proverb 16:18)

We have called the bluff of Saddam Hussein and blocked his next move. He cannot move anywhere on the chessboard of the desert sands. Neither should we move until it is time to take his king with our king. For our king is Lord of Lords and King of Kings! (Deuteronomy 10:17; Revelation 17:14) And the King's Word says:

"Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil but to the counselors of <u>peace</u> is joy." (Proverb 12:20)

"only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom." (Proverb 13:10)

"The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise." (Proverb 12:15)

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Proverb 14:12)

What do we then do next? The Lord has a solution already formulated.

"Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? (Luke 14:31)
Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage (ambassador) and desireth conditions of peace." (Luke 14:32)

God has not left us without instruction:

"Hear instruction and be wise and refuse it not." (Proverb 8:33)

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Proverb 1:7)

"A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels to understand a proverb, and the interpretation, the words of the wise, and their dark sayings." (Proverb 1:5-6)

An honorable and peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis can be found if we take up the Sword of the Lord! Jesus said,

"Have Peace one with another." (Mark 9:50)

Jesus came,

"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:79)

Our purpose as followers of the Lord and as Americans should be to give:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Luke 2:14)

So let's deal with Saddam Hussein from a position of <u>STRENGTH</u>:

"The Lord is my <u>strength</u> ... and is become my Salvation." (Salvation translates Yeshua in Hebrew; Jesus in English) (Psalm 118:14)

"The Lord is my <u>strength</u>, in whom I will trust." (Psalm 18:2)

"The Lord is my <u>strength</u> and my (Desert) Shield." (Psalm 28:7)

Let's negotiate from strength a good deal for ourselves. If Saddam Hussein withdraws unilaterally from Kuwait and promises to honor Kuwaiti national sovereignty, begins to disarm and to publicly destroy his stockpiles of poison gas and also agrees to enter into a binding agreement with the Arab nations, including Kuwait, to supply oil to the West at a fair and reasonable price without interference, then the U.S. can withdraw its troops in a phased pull-out and leave the <u>Arab nations</u> to enforce the agreement and to seek reparations from Iraq for the destruction done in Kuwait.

A Democracy Versus A Dictatorship

The difference between a democracy and a dictatorship is that when the President of the United States wants to get rid of a general, he fires him. When Saddam Hussein wants to get rid of a general, he fires <u>at</u> him. —Arnold Beizer

Talk Of War

October 30, 1990

Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I write to you with the utmost urgency. I have been called upon to provide you with a message of Warning for our country. I do not profess to be a prophet; it is God who decides whom to send with His messages. I have received a message for you and it is my duty first as a son of God and second as an American to share it with you.

As an attorney in Hartford, I was involved for many years with my own concerns; yet as time went on I became concerned about matters which should be everyone's concern, namely serving our Lord and serving our country.

As Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, you are in charge but there is One who is in Higher authority. He has the last word. He is an "Army of One." Joshua, as you well know, before charging into battle at Jericho was stopped in his tracks when the Angel of the Lord appeared before him with his sword drawn in hand. Joshua asked him "Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?" The Angel of the Lord answered him, "Nay; but as captain of the host of the Lord am I now come." Joshua fell on his face to worship him (Genesis 5:13-14).

God is on the side of those who follow Him. God does not follow "U.S." as you know. Joshua followed the Lord into battle and a victory was won. "At times the Lord shall fight for you" (Exodus 14:14). But sometimes if we march ahead of God's timing, unfortunately we may discover to our detriment that God isn't in the battle...it is not His Will. While "the Lord is a man of war" (Exodus 15:3), He also is "Prince of peace" (Isaiah 9:6). "The Lord will give strength unto his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace" (Psalm 29:11).

The accompanying messages inspired by the Lord have been sent for you. Please ponder upon them with great intense while weighing the pros and cons of proceeding into battle against our adversaries. While I agree wholeheartedly with your policy in this Gulf crisis and though you have my complete support in your strategic planning and decision-making, nevertheless it is God whom you must first please. His Will must be your prime consideration even before the will of the people and popular opinion.
Thus saith the Lord:

"I will go to war if I have to
But do I have to go to war?"...

I believe that God desires that the Gulf crisis be resolved in a peaceful way. The Bible says,

"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:9)

While I am sure many Americans would like to stand up to Saddam Hussein and kick sand in his face, let's trust God to be our defense:

"Because of his strength will I wait upon thee: for God is my defence." (Psalm 59:9)

If we let God lead, we can be confident that ultimate victory will be won. With an Army of One, regardless of the odds against us, we cannot be outnumbered. "It's you and me against the world," but when we are on the side of God, "SMALL WORLD ISN'T IT"!

God has a solution to this crisis. Our national motto is "In God We Trust," therefore so be it. Let God have His way. Love is the answer. God desires that we "turn over every rock and every stone" and that we "don't stand alone." We must continue to "band together" with the rest of the world. "Taking a stand" does not necessarily connotate waging a war. Saddam Hussein will not be able to withstand our combined force when we are standing together with God. We must stand up and stand fast (Psalm 111:8; 1 Cor. 16:13); but notice, God did not say "charge." In Biblical times if one Angel of the Lord could destroy hundreds of thousands of the enemy's troops when they came against God's people of Israel, He can do it now. The Lord is "the same yesterday, and today, and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8)

He has said,

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." (Zechariah 4:6)

I have included herewith three of God's messages concerning the plight of America in the Mid-East Gulf crisis. We can avert war and still win a victory attaining our ends while achieving peace. If we let God be our Desert Shield, we can be invincible. A National Time of Prayer and Repentance is what is needed most.

Very truly yours,
Arnold L. Beizer

Editor's Note: On Friday night, November 2, immediately after the above letter reached the President's Office by overnight mail, he gave a speech in Rochester, Minnesota (see Page 9), calling upon all Americans to pray for divine guidance and for an honorable and peaceful solution to the Gulf crisis.

Editor's Note: The following messages from the Lord were appended to the letter to the President of October 30, 1990.

The Army Of One

Opening Chant

In You I remain, Lord,
In You I retain, Lord,
Pearls of wisdom through the ages. (Repeat)

Almighty God is here
Reigning with Divine Care,
Planting fruits for me to bear.
With You I've been everywhere there is to be,
I have been to the city - climbed the highest tree,
Transcending the mountains, gathered in the sun,
Marching in the Army of One.

Travelled the dusty roads,
Carried the heavy loads,
Witnessing daily moral codes,
Thirst at the roadside well,
As far as I can tell,
Don't need another cup to fill me up,
There's a fountain flowing inside me,
Living waters flowing deep inside.

Chorus

Moving to the rhythm of the drummer's beat,
Surrounding my footsteps and my weathered feet,
Leading me onward, soldiers of the light,
Vanquishing shadows, banishing dark nights
Invincible in the Army of One
A principle in the Army of One.

Optional Chorus

Walking to the music moving on my feet
Stronger and stronger to the drummer's beat,
Away from the shadows - underneath one sun
Together every brother, sister, everyone
Together in the Army of One
Walking in the Army of One.

Forging many rivers,
Crossing raging seas,
Traversing oceans to be free,
Leader for every band, uniting every land
Speaking from the witness stand,
God Almighty lifting up Divine hands.
Walking in the Army of One.
Forever, the Army of One.

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990

Talk Of War

"I will go to war if I have to"
But do I have to go to war?
I can welcome home the dove of peace
Let her rest inside my door.

You can go to war if you want to, people,
but if you know what's good for you,
You will try to make your world alright,
Love everyone with all your might.

Love every nation, everybody,
every light that's ever shone.
See every blessing that's upon you,
Turn over every rock and every stone.

Dawn is rising up on threats of war,
Shadows creeping under our door.
Demons lashing at the spirit of man,
Gnawing hearts from our promised lands.

You can talk of war if you want to, people,
The result is up to you,
Leaders try to hear the voice of God:
See what your people are going through.

Love every nation, everybody,
every light that's ever shone.
For every blessing that is upon you;
band together, don't stand alone.

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990
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The Russian Dog That ~~Defecated~~ . . . Defected

A Russian Husky defected from Siberia and came to live in the streets of New York, scavenging for food from garbage cans and sleeping in the sewers. The Russian dog liked to regale the American dogs he met in the City and bragged often about the wonderful life he left behind in Russia...

"In Russia, I lived in a dog house made of the finest pine wood that Rubles could buy; and in Russia I was covered in Siberian fur when it was cold. What's more, in Russia, they gave me the juiciest bones you ever saw!"

After listening to all of this huffing and puffing, one American dog, then snarled, "If it is so wonderful in Russia, why don't you go back?" The Russian dog snapped back: "You know, every now and then I like to bark."

Letter To The President

November 9, 1990

Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

On October 30, 1990 I sent you an Overnight Express Mail letter entitled "Talk of War." This message came directly from the Lord for you. I indicated to you then that I believed that what the Lord wants most is for you, as leader of our great nation, to proclaim a National Time of Prayer and Repentance for the American people.

I was quite pleased as I am sure was our Lord when on Friday night, November 2, 1990, while I was riding in my vehicle listening to Christian radio, I heard a rebroadcast of a speech you made in Rochester, Minnesota. In that speech I was gratified to hear you call upon all Americans for a National Time of Prayer for our troops and cause in the Gulf. Unfortunately, however, the next day when I searched all of the newspapers I found not a mention of your speech made the night before. It appears that the liberal news media is biased towards anything that might have to do with prayer or God unless it happens to be something detrimental to the cause of Christianity or Judaism that can make sensational headlines. After your speech, I called the U.S.A. News Network and asked them to search for a copy of it because I felt it should be reproduced so that everyone would have an opportunity to read your words. They were profound and expressed my exact sentiments and I believe as well, the Lord's Will in this matter.

It seems that since you were on the campaign trail just prior to the election when you made this important address, that the news media was more interested in the election campaign than with God's campaign for His "elect." I guess in our country nowadays God doesn't warrant equal time. Nevertheless, God will have the last word. He has sent two more inspired messages for your benefit which are meant for you and for our troops overseas. "Let me touch your heart" was a message received November 2, by Sharon Licht, part of the Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry, right after your speech on the same night. When I read this new message, I noticed a reference in the fourth stanza to the "Bitter Sea." Few people know that the ancient name for the Persian Gulf is the Bitter Sea! I didn't know that and I consider myself very knowledgeable on the history of the Mideast. Sharon Licht certainly did not realize either that God was using the original name for this historic body of water. It was only after pondering upon the message for some time that the reference to the Bitter Sea was understood.

God's most recent message concerning the Gulf crisis lets us know that He is with U.S. and asks, "Won't you wait a little while longer?...There's a peaceful solution...A righteous solution." In the meantime, in addition to your call to Arms, a renewed call for a National Time for Prayer and Repentance is what God desires. Hopefully this time the news media will get your message and give it the print and coverage that it rightfully deserves. A Proclamation by our President for a National Time for Prayer and Repentance will greatly please the Lord who is an Army of One.

The second message received on November 2, is entitled "Walk Softly." That message speaks to you, Mr. President, about a "peaceful resolution" of the Gulf crisis and gives you the answer as to how to achieve it. Recently, an Army chaplain, while jogging along the road was concerned about the crisis in the Gulf. He worried whether or not America would suffer great casualties in a battle against our adversaries. Suddenly, in the road ahead, appeared a man about 15 feet tall with sword drawn in hand. This was no daydream nor illusion, but rather the Angel of the Lord who had also appeared to Joshua before he went into battle at Jericho. The astonished Army chaplain wondered whether one Angel could confront and defeat a whole army of Iraqis. He asked Army Chaplain E. H. "Jim" Everman, of Dallas, Texas (Full Gospel Churches, Inc.) how many enemy soldiers had the lone Angel of the Lord destroyed when they came against God's people. Chaplain Everman responded 160,000 enemies were killed instantly by one Angel of the Lord. The number of God's Angels are infinite. Saddam Hussein would be no match for the Angel of the Lord.

It is therefore my hope and prayer that you will wait upon the Lord for a solution to this "crisis." There is no need to fear or to act in haste. The following are Words of Wisdom for our President from our Lord: "Walk Softly And Carry A Big Stick." The big stick is the "Sword of the Lord" which is the Word of God.

Very truly yours,
Arnold L. Beizer
Sword of the Lord

Editors Note: My letter to President Bush of November 9, included the following inspired messages from the Lord:

Walk Softly

Yours is the Kingdom of God. My Kingdom lives forever. This (material world) too shall pass away, but the Kingdom of My Father in heaven shall not pass away".

Power is a predictable source of energy. "Ye shall overcome all greed for worldly things when ye aspire to God's truth". Truth is predictable. It is unchanged, remains always the same. Man's vision is what distorts truth by using power to suit his own self-centered truth. This is not of My Father's Kingdom. This is based in ego which demands from the world and obstructs peace and serenity.

Let Me speak to you of peace. Peace is not merely the absence of war, but the absence of thoughts of war and talks of war. Remember, thoughts eventually become based in matter. Thoughts become reality. Thoughts of war and talks of war gather momentum. Pride is also a lingering shadow to be aware or wary of. When one makes consistent arguments or threats, one's pride enters the picture. Now we're dealing with an individual's pride. An effective leader must be willing to put aside his/her pride and follow Me, the Lord. If one can escalate war by his very manner of thinking, it then follows that one can avert war by his manner of thinking.

Mubarak will be the spokes person who will be listened to by the Arabs — not Bush. Bush is disliked by the Arab nation because he is an American. Flooding the world with Godlike words will have an impact on world thoughts.

Continue to send out Godlike or Godly messages and know I AM behind you 100%. I am the Peaceful Solution. Ye cannot aspire to truth when ye are in international turbulence. Ye must right the course, calm the seas of disagreement. Remember, ye would have no territorial lands to fight over if My Father in heaven had not given them to you initially. It is an appropriate time to recall "what side your bread is buttered on", to quote a popular phrase.

Hussein cannot take a country from any man for it is in essence not theirs in the first place. All lands proceed from My Father and all lands will remain with My Father. The point at hand to ponder is, "Do you want to earn the use of My Father's land by finding a peaceful resolution to your selfish desires, or will you resolve the conflict by using force and brutality?" (and lose your right to use the land.)

There are no Holy Wars in the mind of God, only Holy Innocence. Remember the words of Roosevelt, "Walk softly but carry a big stick". Roosevelt did not say, "walk loudly and carry a big stick", as President Bush is doing. President Bush must understand what the slogan means in truth. Walk in the footsteps of the Lord and carry His sword (or stick). The "Big stick" is the Word of God. It is the same as the sword of the Lord. The answers (to world crises) are all contained in the Word of God. History repeats itself only because human nature has not changed or evolved to a point of higher understanding.

Stand under the umbrella of truth and peace will follow. Be peaceful in Mind, in thought and in deed. The world will withstand the test of time if ye believe what I have told you.

River Jordan soon will remember justice!
Omega redemption.

National Matter:

Watch Noriaga and Mubarak (on television).*

If you are willing, I, Jesus, will use you as my spokes person.

I bless you for believing me, woman. Will power is the greatest power on earth. It is strictly human. Human will doubled with God's will cannot lose. Omega. Go in peace, my friend.

— Sharon E. Licht, 11/2/90

**This reference was made prior to the disclosure by CNN of the Noriaga case developments which made national news headlines.*

Let Me Touch Your Heart

Together, we will weather the trials and survive.
Wherever goes your heartbeat — so, too, will go I.

Won't you wait a little while longer?
Forces have grown stronger.
There's a peaceful solution.
There's a righteous resolution.

I want to touch your heart in the hot desert sun.
I want to thank you so very much for everything you've done.
For standing tall on The Flagship of One,
Let me touch your heart today for everything you've done.

Where are the brave? Where are the free?
I see them traveling along the Bitter Sea,
Defending you and me, especially to keep us free —
I want to thank you for believing in me.

Together, we will weather the trials; we'll survive!
Wherever goes your heartbeat — so, too, will go I.

I want to touch your heart in the hot desert sun.
I want to thank you so very much for everything you've done.
For standing tall on The Flagship of One,
Let me touch your heart today for everything you've done.

— Sharon E. Licht

Dedicated to the men and women of the American Armed Forces and their families.

Presidental Proclamation

Editor's Note: The Sword of the Lord called for a National Time of Prayer and Repentance in a letter to President Bush on October 30, 1990 (see Page 5). The following response from President George Bush came promptly to God's call.

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary
(Rochester, Minnesota)

For Immediate Release November 2, 1990

FOR A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER,
NOVEMBER 2, 1990

BY THE PRESIDENT OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A Proclamation

Throughout American history, the people of this Nation have depended on Almighty God for guidance and wisdom. Both Scripture and experience confirm that the Lord hears the prayers of those who place their trust in Him. Time and again, in peril and uncertainty, doubt and decision, we Americans have turned to God in prayer and, in so doing, found strength and direction.

Today the United States and, indeed, all civilized countries are being challenged by a dictator who would brazenly deny the sovereignty of other nations in order to achieve regional hegemony and to wield undue influence over Kuwait, terrorizing that nation's citizens in an affront to international law and fundamental standards of morality. Scores of U.S. civilians and citizens of other nations continue to be held hostage under inhuman conditions in both Kuwait and Iraq. Thousands have been made refugees fleeing from aggression in Kuwait and brutality in Iraq. To deter further aggression, thousands of American service men and women have been deployed and remain on duty in the demanding climate of the Persian Gulf region. They, too, face considerable hardship and danger. We are grateful for the loyalty, devotion to duty, and sacrifices of the members of our Armed Forces. Yet we know that military strength alone cannot save a nation or bring it prosperity and peace; as the Scripture speaks, "Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain." With these grave concerns before us, we do well to recall as a Nation the power of faith and the efficacy of prayer.

The Psalmist proclaimed: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Today let us turn to Him, both as individuals and as a Nation, to ask for His continued mercy and guidance. Let us pray for peace in the Persian Gulf, and let us ask the Lord to protect all those Americans and citizens of other nations, who are working to uphold the universal cause of freedom and justice half a world away from home. May it please the Lord to grant all leaders of nations involved in this crisis the wisdom and courage to work towards its just and speedy resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim November 2, 1990, as a National Day of Prayer for American service personnel and American civilians stationed or held hostage in the Persian Gulf region. I urge all Americans to pause on this day to pray for these individuals and their families. I ask that prayer be made for the commanders of American military forces in the region and leaders in other nations that have deployed military forces in the Middle East to stop this aggression. I also urge the American people and their elected representatives to give thanks to God for His mercy and goodness and humbly to ask for His continued help and guidance in all our endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fifteenth.

— George Bush

Messages From The Lord

The following are messages from the Lord in the form of inspired writings received by my good friend Sharon Licht of Pennsylvania who is a talented and gifted songwriter. The Lord speaks to her heart and she has shared His messages with me. I know that He desires for me to pass them on to you. Therefore in obedience to His Word I have reproduced them in the pages of the "Sword of the Lord" believing that they will pierce your hearts with His Truth.

Authority

Authority is given by the supreme ruler of inspirational insight. Divine intervention is that force created by itself and functions of itself.

Grace is that gift which enables man to act out of divine authority and enables him to know and see Truth that he normally in every day consciousness would not see or know.

When a man is inspired, he looks at the world as if looking through a microscope and this microscope allows the invisible to become visible.

"Dear God, I know a portion of your truth - sometimes. I pray for more awareness today. I ask for your guidance and love."

Answer: Seek, my child, and the door is visible. Turn the key to divinity, rise up on faith, rise up on love. (Divine) Intercession is once again at hand.

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 7/24/90

The same day in the afternoon, I received a copy of The Sword from Alan Nelson. The Sword is a newsletter of the Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry (April Edition). This Edition was filled with quotes from scripture that answered and clarified many of my questions. Thank you.

Sharon

Listen And Learn

My Child, I am here, once again, as always to teach you and to guide you.

You have felt the hurt of the world today weighing heavily upon your shoulders. Do not dismay. My Son, Jesus, too experienced the magnitude of Simon's* wrath. He by His crucifixion lessened the pain for all mankind, because He set the example by which to live.

Let not the confusion of others be upon your heart. Let not the darkness fill your upper room. You know and remember how difficult the journey through the hallway of human emotion was, but one spring day, you arrived there at the threshold and I, your Lord, was waiting at the doorway for you.

*(Matthew 16:21-23)

I am well pleased in your merit and I will continue to walk with you. Walk with no man - walk only with the light of God through Jesus and you will be a wise bearer of good tidings. Those who choose to listen will learn. Those who choose to ignore will tarry in ignorance of their own fears. He/she who chooses to throw the slings and arrows of Satan's curse will be taken into hand. You must stay clear from them who will not listen. By this, I mean, only do not share wisdom in words, but continue to love them and see in them their divineness.

Some wish to learn, others wish to wallow in self pity and untruth.

Pick up your cross and follow Me, I will ease the burden. As far as the Bible, yes, the Bible is the Word of God. However, there are those in your world who have been blessed with the insightfulness to further align today's language with the Words contained in the Bible. Peck is one such individual. People think it is Satan when they come across lines written differently than My Son spoke them. Foolheartiness has always been a problem in human race. If he or she would look within themselves, My Word would be clear and further knowledge would be shared.

Notice the grass - it is. Notice the clouds in the sky - they are. Notice the air currents around you - they move - God is all this and more - you too must move in understanding and walk. If not, you immobilize yourself in ignorant stagnation.

I love you.

When silence falls deafly upon their ears, they will listen to their own complaints. As if looking in a mirror, they will see the errors and if they choose will mend their ways.

Do not allow a sleeping fox to sleep in the doves' roost. One never knows when he will awaken.

Ask, Ye of little faith, what rock will you turn to bread. What fence will ye tear down today. Will the sections come down strand by strand, section by section or gatepost by gatepost.

Ye cannot see flowers blooming in the garden if the garden is surrounded by brick and mortar.

Ye cannot see the wind, but yet it is there. Ye cannot see love but it is spoken of as if it were there.

Ye can see none of these things, but if a friend told you all these things exist in your world, ye believe.

Ye of little faith, yet ye do not believe in My Son, Jesus, who represents Me in the world when he says to believe in miracles and ye shall be healed.

Remember, My Friends, One cannot spout God's Truth if one be evil. If one be evil, that one would turn your self back on yourself - barren of love.

Listen to your heart - God speaks there. Do not delight in hypocrisy - Do not speak among yourselves of lies. Speak to truth and be one. *Amen*

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990, 3/16/90

Foundations

Purple roses, a sacred, crimson heart,
A golden chalice, an offering of our living God,
Divinity enters the doors of the damned,
Exorcising the demons from the soul of man.

A salty tear lessens the fear, the slate wiped clean,
Divine love forgives
and God lives on through infinity.
A powerful sigh breathed unto heaven,
A Divine request granted so long ago.

Risen on wings of transfiguration
The King has freed the world from sin
through the Prince of Peace,
Father's will must now be done
to bring His promise of Kingdom come.

A sparse hillside, the place of the skull,
The city limits mark the spot
Where heaven and earth confronted time and space,
tearing the veil from illusion.

Darkness exposed to the light of the Son,
Purple passion shedding tears
falling, like holy water,
on purple roses growing round the Master's feet.

A hammer and nails driven by Satan's power
Affixing the lamb to a tree stripped bare,
Bloodthirsty demons lashing out against
the living God.

Now is the hour, forgiveness reigns
over the bondage of hell,
A stone rolled back, a vacant tomb,
A Divine inhabitant rises on Godlike power.

A vision of light speaks to the world through
a chosen few,
They succumb! Anointed with a vision
of grace,

A heavenly voice shatters through disbelief,
"Lo, I am always with you from the
foundations of the earth,
even to the end of all time."

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990

Hold On To Your Vision

To unify the world, you must first unify yourself with God and learn spiritual unification principles to be practiced in small groups. Of course any change requires risk. Risk is encouraged. One may speak of risk in terms of emotional risk, such as letting down ego defenses, i.e. rationalization, denial, projection, displaced anger and justification. All these emotional barriers are barriers to keep out the love and the good feelings we must feel and share if we are to grow toward God in spiritual unification. (There is also physical risk).

There is no justification for poverty and homelessness other than the belief in lack. You must believe in abundance, (i.e. the abundance of God) and practice that belief. In other words, believe in abundance until you really believe it and the principle begins to work.

Do not fear spending your last dollar - It will be replenished by God. I only caution you to know what you spend it for. The cause must be for the common good, not merely self-gratification. All commodities must be kept in circulation throughout societies to replenish themselves.

If you need something (whatever it is) in your life, practice giving it and you will receive it.

Daily help for human good. Talk is cheap - Good action is the only recourse for healing for anyone.

Worldly efforts afford soul cleansing. Do not be discouraged - Rather be enlightened to the tragedies of the world.

Affect a growth pattern and bless it with truth of purpose. Have faith - Go within and God will direct your next move.

The Bible study group affords us an exercise in harmony and balance. A time has come to smile - A time has come to cross the line of demarcation - A time when differences are blended and a new concept will emerge - This is a great pyramid designed to cultivate understanding between people of different backgrounds, color and creeds. Clarity is the nourishment of the pioneers - Out of clarity comes true vision. *Amen*
And so it is.

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 3/22/90

The Path Of The Lamb

When you follow the path of Jesus, the Lamb,
You will understand, that when God became a man,
cloaked in poverty from riches, His Divinity took the stand,
Jesus witnessed to the masses in the Sermon on the Mount,
Our Father who art in heaven demands your life account.

Questions

Have you ever fed the hungry, clothed the naked and the poor?
Have you ever seen an angel standing quietly at your door?
Are you able, are you willing to spare your neighbor from attack?
Have you strewn roses at his feet not thrown arrows at his back?

Is your speech ever gentle, ever meek and ever kind?
Is your purpose for the highest good and hope for the sick and blind?
Do you believe with all your heart, with your soul and all your mind?
The Lord will seek you out when time is right, He'll give you a sign.

Have you spread the Gospel Truth over sea and over land?
Have you witnessed for your brothers when God's Spirit visits man?
Have you ever taught the Good News of Jesus' whereabouts?
When you open up your heart in love, the pain is held without.

All these lessons, God's Good People, is your purpose and His command,
You must gather in His Spirit and spread the news throughout all lands,
You must offer up in silence, in prayer you must delight,
A call has come from Heaven, "Lo there is freedom in the Light."

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990

Lips of Clay

Of Lord, You're the sculpturer, You hold the master plan,
For every child, every baby, every woman, every man,
You have made an earthen vessel but it's only made of clay,
Won't you breathe your Spirit through these lips
of clay, today.

Chorus

Lips of clay don't know what to say,
Lips of clay don't know how to pray,
Lord, won't you breathe your Spirit through these
lips of clay,
So I will speak the Truth with these earthen lips today.

I want to be your messenger, Lord, tell me what to say,
Will you breathe your Spirit through these earthen
lips of clay,
Anoint me of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost,
So I will speak the Truth about my God and heavenly Host.

Chorus

Lips of clay don't know what to say,
Lips of clay don't know how to pray,
Lord, won't you breathe your Spirit through these
lips of clay,
I want to speak your Truth with these earthen lips today.

Oh! Lord, you're the comforter, You hold your
children's hands,
Every day, every evening, ever since our time began,
You are love, you are white light, you're freedom
for the damned
You released me from my burdens when your Son
became a man.

(Repeat Chorus)

Oh! Lord, won't you hold me in the shadow of your smile,
In a memory so fleeting, won't you stop and stay awhile,
Let me praise You for your glory, your love and unity,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we are one eternally.

(Repeat Chorus)

Oh! Lord, you're the sheep herder, you gather in your flock,
Giving shelter for your lost sheep, building Faith upon
your rock,
I want to praise You for your guidance, your
understanding care,
For sending angels here to guide me when I was unaware.

(Repeat Chorus)

I was dumb before the shearer, blind I could not see,
You were always here to guide me with your
Truth eternally,
Forgive me for my errors, my selfish,
doubting ways,
Thank you for your patience and your gift of life today.

(Repeat Chorus)

— Sharon E. Licht, c. 1990

A Discovery Prophesied

A Message From The Lord Received On 7/28/90

Now is the time throughout history when God makes His Truth known - Acknowledge Me in All Thy Ways - Ye are on the spiritual (path of Jesus).

Make a copy of the new testament for my people - Israel.

Burnish the golden calf. The land of Israel needs to bury its past. Make haste - Do not waste your time - for time is running short through the hourglass of man. Dial the sun in the heavens - like a sundial the instrument used to measure - the shadows of past civilizations have crept into the light of today. Be - Align yourself with the cross of Divine truth and bring highest expectation to Mount Olive. Tablets of stone are waiting there for man's discovery - Kings' titles cut by the stone cutter for posterity. This is the way of the Lord, Your God - Amen.
Go in Peace.

Editor's Note:
11/01/90

This prophecy indicates that sometime in the near future, there will be discovered on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem, tablets of stone bearing the names of kings cut out by the stone cutter to preserve them for posterity. Obviously, there will be great significance to the names of these ancient kings which will confirm Biblical references and validate the Word of God.

I am uncertain about the significance of the sentence "Burnish the Golden Calf" although recently a sculpture of a golden calf was discovered at Mt. Sinai and was widely reported in the news media as a great archeological find. That discovery also confirmed the word of God as written by Moses. The word of the Lord informs us that time is running short as measured by man. The Messiah is coming soon and we should make certain to be aligned with the cross of God's Divine truth and to share his truth with others in expectation of his imminent return.

A Book With The Answers to Our Most Important Questions

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Great Depression 1990? — *We're in for a Crash*

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Are You Saved? — *Yeshua, or No Yua Not*

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Where Can We Find the Lost Tribes of Israel? — *Lost & Found*

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Why Are There So Many Jerrys in Ireland? — *Irish Immigrants from Israel*

Who Are the Irish? — *The Haiberu are Hebrew Eber is Heber*

Are You a Jew for Jesus? — *Jesus is a Jew for Me !*

Who Wrote the Book of Love? — *The Rabbi from Galilee*

Lost Tribes Found At Last

"Declare it in the isles afar off,
And say, He that scattered Israel
will gather him, and keep him,
as a Shepherd doth his flock."
(Jeremiah 31:10)

"Keep Silence before me, O Islands." (Isaiah 41:1)

Why all the secrecy? After extensive research — an astonishing discovery! The Lost Tribes of Israel were never really lost . . . only departed for a little while (Isaiah 54:7-8). Their identity, once hidden, can now be revealed and is in the pages of "If you DON'T ASK, you will never know." Find out what modern-day nations are the children of Israel and brothers to the tribes of the nation of Judah (the Jews).

You cannot possibly comprehend Biblical prophecy in total until you learn for yourself the identity of the Lost Tribes and where they can be found today. The High Priest of Judah living at the time of Jesus knew their whereabouts (John 11:52; see also II Esdras 13: 40-46; Psalm 31:13; Psalm 71:10). Jesus, too, knew where they had been scattered (Matthew 9:36; 26:31; John 10:16). Ezekiel the Prophet prophesied their return to the land of Israel in the last days to re-unite with the Jewish Tribes (Ezekiel 37:16-17; Jeremiah 31:10); and God, Himself, never lost sight of His children (Hosea 5:3; Amos 9:9). It was the other way around. The scattered children of Israel (Lost Tribes of the house of Israel) lost sight of their God and lost the sign which identified them to Him (Exodus 31: 13, 16-17; Ezekiel 20:12; Lam. 2:6; Hosea 3:4-5).

God, Moses, and the Prophets all gave us clues as to the identity of the Lost Tribes for the last days (Genesis 49; Deuteronomy 33; see also Jer. 33:24; Ez. 37: 22; Ez. 37:11; Ez. 35:10).

Discover the whole truth about the whole House of Israel by asking now for DON'T ASK!

"Surely the Lord God will do nothing,
but He revealeth His secret
unto His servants the Prophets." (Amos 3:7)

These and many other questions answered authoritatively for the first time by Attorney Arnold Beizer who proves his case beyond the Shadow of a Doubt ... but *IF YOU DON'T ASK YOU WILL NEVER KNOW!* Asking Price* — A donation of $10.00 or more.

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Peace At Any Cost?

A non-Jew recently wrote an open Letter to the Editor addressed to American Jews. He professed not to be anti-semetic while in the same breath he criticized America's foreign policy for supporting Israel, claiming that such support both political and economic should cease and that the "U.S. should pressure Israel into peace negotiations" with their Arab neighbors.

The author, far from being objective and unbiased, argued that America's support for Israel was based on "two fallacies", namely that Israel is a buffer between our Arab enemies in the Mid East and, secondly that Israel's claim to need the "occupied" territories on the West Bank and Golan Heights to protect its borders is unfounded. He contended that "If we did not allow Israel to dictate our foreign policy, the Arabs would no longer be our enemy"; and that "today, given the new weapons of war, no borders are safe and therefore Israel's need for the 'occupied' territory as a 'buffer zone' is nothing but a land grab" for what he termed, "Yitzhak Shamir's Greater Israel."

I beg to differ with this man's convoluted logic. His arguments sound remarkably similar to the anti-Zionist and anti-American rhetoric coming from propagandists in Iraq! If he hadn't signed his name to his letter as a resident of Hartford, Connecticut, I would have thought his article was authored by Tariq Aziz himself, Baghdad's minister of propaganda!

In reply, I suggest that this ill-thought out and thinly veiled attack on the tiny nation Israel and on the Jewish people as a whole is nothing more than a defense of Saddam Hussein's own position on the crisis in the Gulf. The author recommends unequivocally the same position advocated by the Iraqi government and its PLO terrorist supporters who desire to link Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait with the return of the so-called "occupied" territories to the Arabs in Israel. Such an untenable position plays right into the hands of the same Iranian revolutionary lunatics who shot down Pan American Flight # 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland; the PLO terrorists who brought us the Olympic massacre in Munich and who attacked the U.S. Marine barracks in Lebanon; and of the "Butcher of Baghdad", Saddam Hussein, who invaded his innocent neighbor, Kuwait, ravished its land and people and who is now holding Americans hostage in order to force our compliance with his world visions of grandeur.

As a lawyer, I deal with the facts every day, and therefore, I suggest that we face the facts instead of hiding our heads in the sands of the Arabian desert! Peace will not come by surrender. We cannot surrender the principles of freedom and liberty for which this nation stands to strongman threats and madman tactics of Saddam Hussein and his band of terrorists who threaten to send our American boys home in body bags if we do not buckle under and concede to their power grabbing demands and kidnapping crimes. It is obvious that the Iraqis are using American hostages as pawns in their never ending struggle to recapture the land of Israel. Their plan and conduct is not only immoral, but it is ungodly!

Israelis are not "occupying" the territories of the West Bank or the Golan Heights, they are "landlords" and have rightful title deed to that land. If anyone is to criticize Israel, then they must also criticize God, for he deeded the land to Israel in perpetuity!

God gave the Holy Land to Abraham and to his descendants "for an everlasting possession" (Genesis 17:8). Abraham then gave it to Isaac (Genesis 25:5) - not to Ishmael (father of the Arabs). Then Abraham sent Ishmael away (Genesis 21:10-14; Genesis 25:6). Isaac there after passed on his inheritance in the land to his son Jacob (Genesis 28:4) whose name God changed to Israel (Genesis 32:28). Jacob's twelve sons - the twelve tribes of Israel inherited the land and took Israel's name. They became the Israelites - rightful owners of all the land of Israel (Genesis 49). The Ishmaelites, Arab descendants of Ishmael (including Saddam Hussein as of late) have been attempting to steal Jacob's blessing from the children of Israel ever since.

Those who would force Israel into a false peace with her Arab neighbors deceive themselves. God's word says:

"because they have seduced my people (with lies), saying, Peace; and there was no peace." (Ezekiel 13:10).

Concerning Jerusalem, they...

"see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace, saith the Lord God." (Ezekiel 13:16)

Such bad advice plays right into the hands of Saddam Hussein. His goal is to link the pulling out of Kuwait with the ending of Israel's so-called occupation of the "occupied" territories. Accept the Russian "peace" plan, the "peaceniks" argue. But they fail to comprehend simple Biblical truth because they do not believe in God. God's word says,

"for when they shall say, "Peace and safety"; then sudden destruction cometh upon them." (First Thessalonians 5:3)

Saddam Hussein's ultimate goal is not just to take over the oil wells of Kuwait - he and his terrorist friends - the enemies of Israel and of the West aim to take over the whole world by force! Islam's objective is Jihad - Holy War. They will not stop until they drive Israel into the Sea and blow the U.S. off the map.

The Prophet Ezekiel foretold long ago of a Russian invasion of Israel for the last days - our time. He named the allies that would be helping Russia during that invasion, namely Libya, Ethiopia, Persia (Iran and Iraq) and their friends. They will attack the U.S.A. at the same time Ezekiel prophesied:

"It shall also come to pass that at the same time..." (as the Russian invasion of Israel) Thou "shalt think an evil thought." "And thou shalt say, I will go Up to the land (U.S.A.) of unwalled villages...to them that are at rest (peace), that dwell safely...to take a spoil and to take a prey..." (Ezekiel 38:10-12)

Those who scream for a false peace at any cost will pay a high price for their naivete: "pay now or pay later"! Those who insist that Israel dictates U.S. policy I suppose would prefer a lunatic like Saddam Hussein dictating our agenda? Should we allow him and his PLO cronies to set our policy? Israel is the only free democracy in the Mid East. Look around you. All the so-called "friendly" Arab nations have either military dictators, Emirs, kings, shieks, Ayatullahs or "little Hitlers" governing over them. They don't believe in people's rights - it's might that's right. People don't count. Just count the dead people in Iraqi villages murdered by their own beloved dictator's poison gas attacks! If you don't agree with them, they just send assassination teams to eliminate you; take hostages to intimidate you, or threaten to blow up civilian airliners to castigate and retaliate against you.

Winston Churchill once said concerning Adolf Hitler's aggression, "An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile hoping that it will eat him last." No, pressuring Israel into negotiating with killers bent on Israel's total annihilation will not bring peace but only a temporary lull in the fighting. After a brief time, a mighty world war will erupt when the insatiable crocodile opens his mouth wide in an attempt to swallow up both Israel and America. DON'T FEED THE CROCODILES! Unlike domesticated dogs, they will bite the hand that feeds them and the Russian Bear will jump at the chance to lick up the scraps!

Aesop once said, "The lamb that belongeth to the sheep whose skin the wolf was wearing began to follow the wolf in sheep's clothing." It is quite apparent that America is beginning to fall for the great lie: "I have no teeth Grandma." Only this time it is a hungry Russian Bear in sheep's clothing in place of the wolf. We will unfortunately seek peace at any cost. We will not risk even a single American life for our friends in Israel. Rather we will choose an easy (coward's) way out: capitulate to terrorists and to terrorism. Avoid pain and suffering at all costs. Buy now pay later!

Remember however, while the Russians talk peace, their most clever military general and strategist Colonel-General Al'bert Mikhaylovich Makashov was in Iraq conferring with Saddam Hussein just prior to the invasion of Kuwait. Coincidence? Who benefited from the invasion of Iraq into the Kuwaiti oil fields? The Russians sunk their oil dipstick into a bonanza! Oil prices surged as a direct result of the Iraqi invasion and Russia, the largest producer of oil in the world, doubled its oil revenues in the short time it took for the Iraqi tanks to roll over Kuwait. The invasion was carried out just in the nick of time to help bail out the sagging Russian economy and to help feed the starving Russian people whose money has been squandered by the military dictatorship on stockpiling nuclear missiles and building a nuclear submarine fleet. All the while we send Pepsi bottles to Russia, export McDonald's hamburgers, and offer to help provide technological assistance and monies so that the Russians can set up their own stock market and streamline their industrial capacity. As we grow weaker, they grow stronger. We are helping them to get strong enough to "nuke" us. It is the strong that prey on the weak.

Ask yourself why Russia has refused to remove some thousands of military advisors from Iraq. Gorbachev responds: because Russia had prior contractual commitments! The Russians supply Iraqis with their weapons of war and even deploy military advisors to teach how to use them. But they refuse to send troops to Saudi Arabia and will not even participate in the blockade of shipping in the Gulf. Nor will they support the U.N. if a forceful solution to the crisis in the Gulf becomes necessary. Why not? Who's kidding who?

Israel's only dependable ally in the Mid East is the U.S.A. However, as soon as we send a signal to our enemies that we will no longer support Israel politically or economically, we are giving a green light to further aggression. No, disagreeing with America's support of Israel may not be anti-semetic but it is anti-Zionist, downright anti-God and un-American. God has said concerning the land of Israel and especially Jerusalem:

"Salvation shall come out of Zion and God's people shall dwell there." (Psalm 53:6)

And God has promised concerning the land Israel now "occupies",

"You shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it." (Leviticus 20:24)

Regardless if America is foolish enough to back down and withdraw its support from Israel, God has said:

"For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah (the Jews): that they may dwell there and have it in possession." (Psalm 69:35)

God's Word furthermore instructs: "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem" - (don't give it away).

God's Word of truth continues concerning His people and His land:

"They shall prosper that love thee." (Psalm 122:6)

"I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war." (Psalm 120:7)

While those are my sentiments, they are God's own words, not mine. I just repeat them here for emphasis.

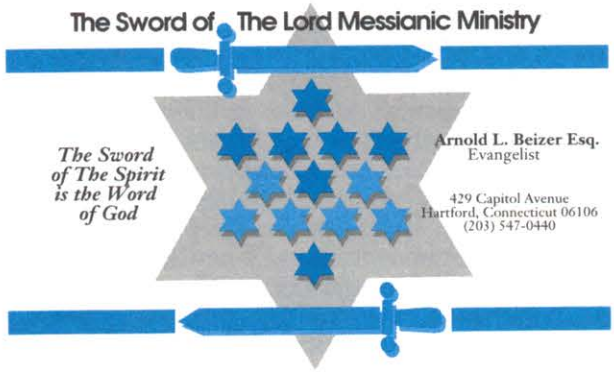
Instead of sanctions against Israel for responding too harshly to terrorists hired by the PLO and Saddam Hussein to attack and maim innocent unarmed Jewish and Christian worshipers at the Holy site of the Wailing Wall on the very holiday of the feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot), we ought to have condemned the terrorists who launched the attack and the PLO who planned it.

Palestinians are protected by Israel's soldiers and Israel's laws and are free to worship at their most Holy site on the top of the Temple Mount. But when religious Jews in their own nation and Holy City seek to worship in peace at the foot of the very same Temple Mount, they are attacked from above by boulder-throwing would be killers. It is the Arabs who desecrate Holy places, not the Jews of Jerusalem or the American soldiers in Saudi Arabia. It is the Arabs who attacked Israel in the 1967 Yom Kippur War, launching their attack on their own Holy city, Jerusalem, on God's most Holy Day of Atonement. It is the Arabs who have no respect for God or for life - sending women and children to the front lines to fight soldiers, armed with only rocks and bottles. They then later throw up their hands in mourning for their dead sons crying foul! They scream bloody murder when some of their own bloody killers get killed during anti-semetic, anti-Christian suicide missions launched by their most reverenced leaders, Saddam "Who's Sane?" and "Yes Sir," "I Are Fat". It is the Arabs who take and hold women and children hostage as desert shields.

The real choice is between supporting Israel or yielding to Arab terrorism. It is a choice of life or death. Do not deceive yourselves into thinking for a moment that forcing Israel to make peace with Palestinian terrorists will bring peace to the Mid East. It will not. It will amount to a sell out - only buying time. The crocodile will take bite after bite out of its victim's body beginning with the "occupied" territory. It will never have enough to satiate its hunger and then it will set out to attack its next prey - the U.S.A.

But today, we don't listen to what God says. He's irrelevant in this day and age. We can't even mention His name in our schools and public buildings, and you're thrown out of school if you carry in His Holy Book! But just wait until Russia and Iraqi nuclear missiles are on their way to obliterate our American cities from the face of the earth. Then all of a sudden we will be forced to turn and seek the face of God. But it will be too late. God will hide His face from U.S. (Deuteronomy 31:17-18; Deuteronomy 32:20; Micah 3:4).

Why defend Israel? Because Jerusalem is God's home town and Zion is the Lord's Holy Ground. You are either for Him or against Him (Matthew 12:30). There's no middle ground in the Middle East...only Holy Ground. And God says to His people Israel: "Stand fast, hold your ground." (Psalm 111:8; 1 Corinthians 16:13)



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Giving God's Way

The Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry is not in the business of fund raising - but rather our purpose is in raising consciousness of God's Word which is truth. Neither does the Sword of the Lord raise money for special projects like many other ministries, nor do we "sell" love gifts or sell anything for that matter.

The Word of the Lord says, "Buy the truth and sell it not." "The Sword" will therefore be published quarterly and it will be sent free of charge to those who request to be put on the mailing list of the Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry. As founder of the Ministry, I will trust in the Lord to supply the means of support to continue sending His Word to you. As you may be touched by the teaching and moved by the sharing of God's truth, then I am confident that you will also share in the work of the Sword of the Lord.

God has said, bring ye all the tithes and offerings into the storehouse that there may be provision in His house, and, ...

"prove me now herewith, 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." (Malachi 3:10)

God challenges you to Prove Him at His Word. This is one of the surest tests you can ever take and one of the smartest moves you will ever make. Any and all support will be most appreciated, as it will assure reaching out so that more will have the opportunity to hear the word of the Lord.

PROFITS OR PROPHETS

The Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry is not a business. Its goal is not to make a profit - though we are concerned with profits (and prophets). God has said ...

"for what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36)

Our mission then in part is to explain Job's question to God...

"What advantage will it be unto thee? and what profit shall I have, if I be cleansed from my sin?" (Job 35:3)

Similarly the Psalmist asks, "what profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit?" (Psalm 30:9) The answer can be found in the Proverbs and in the Prophets:

"Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death." (Proverb 10:2) "Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death." (Proverb 11:4)

Prophet Habakkuk explained that Righteousness comes by faith (Habakkuk 2:4). It is a gift, being unearned - unmerited Favor owing to the mercy and loving kindness of a Holy God who recognizes our imperfection and human frailties. It seems that some people have the attitude that "money isn't everything, it's the only thing!" God instructs otherwise:

"...Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself,...but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and understanding heart." (I Kings 3:11-12).

God has also said unto me, "why cannot I be heard by them that honor me?" He then answered His own question:

"Because they honor me not above the rest.
They honor me not above themselves.
They deceive themselves that I am first.
Yet when it comes to riches,
They have no trouble deciding to add
them to their coffers.
That channel of desire to receive is well hewn.
Establish not the riches of this world,
for they perisheth.
They grow greater and greater within the
walls of your heart
And choke the space that should
have been reserved for me.
No one can receive of me when their
hearts are filled with the riches
of man.
If they desire to receive me,
they must make a place for me to grow.
I grow not with riches,
but riches grow as a result of me.
My riches are not those seen
by the eyes.
My riches are felt and perceived by
the eyes of the soul.
Dismayed at this truth, my son?
Consider it deeply.
Ponder upon it with great intense.
It is the way to receive the
treasures of heaven while living on earth."

A VALUABLE MESSAGE

You have all heard by now what the Prophet Malachi said about robbing God (Malachi 3:8). He has already said it and therefore it does not bear repeating here. Suffice it to say it is not how much money one accumulates that measures success. Rather it is what you will do with this money and how you will use it for God's purposes.

The Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry will continue to send out God's message regardless of the measure of support for our work from those who receive the Truth. This is a commitment I have made to my God. I have used my own funds almost exclusively to support the "Sword" Newsletter which has not been an inexpensive proposition.

We live in the last days and it is God's intent and desire that His words of truth are disseminated to those people who surely stand to profit by hearing the word of the Lord. This evangelist has given up his law practice to practice what I preach. I have naturally therefore taken a significant salary cut, nevertheless I am walking out in faith - starting on a new course. Abraham also took a step of faith when he walked out of the land of Ur into a new land. He believed God and God gave to him a tremendous promise and a blessing - the rest is history.

Whereas (we lawyers love to use whereases and wherefores) I was once self-employed and the head of my own law firm, now I am subservient to a higher authority and am an associate in His practice. However, my Senior Partner doesn't need any practice - He is God. But I still need some. I have therefore struck out on my own once again to practice what I teach. I would ask you with whom I share God's Word through the "Sword of the Lord" (those of you who have seen the teaching and developed a mutual trust) if you will weigh the value of the teaching and allocate a contribution to the value of God's Word.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

If you have benefited and have already been taught, will you make a bold statement in the form of a commitment to the Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry? If so, God's Word promises that He will open up unto you the doors of His storehouse wherein are contained not only His spiritual food but also His treasures. He will "pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Malachi 3:10). God has provided you with his spiritual food. God is now looking for your "feedback." Therefore I would appreciate receiving your cards and letters, your comments and suggestions concerning the work of the Ministry. If you appreciate the articles in the "Sword," I would like to hear from you. Your support will be your testimonial that God's Word is making a difference.

NO GIMMICK "GIMMIES"

Prove if you will, that you can be different than those who need in return for their donation, a gaudy "Jesus lapel pin" or some other love gift gimmick that you wouldn't want to see pinned on your mother-in-law. The Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry will not use your gift or offering to build fancy edifices or Disneylands for Jesus. All monies will be used for outreach efforts - to expand the message and the audience. Literature like the tracts enclosed and audio tapes from radio and Bible studies as well as video tape recordings will provide professional presentations of God's Revelation Knowledge to you and to others. This is knowledge you just may not be able to get anywhere else. Without your help however, the Sword of the Lord will be restricted and growth restrained. The numbers of people who might otherwise be reached will not be reached and the Lord's commandment to be a witness for me in Judea, Samaria and to the uttermost ends of the earth (the British Isles, America and the rest of the world) will fall on deaf ears or worse - no ears at all!

I do not profess to tell you that if you give to this Ministry that you will get rich quick. God's word does not promise to reward get-rich-quick schemes. We do not motivate you to give to God's work in order to get wealth. Rather, the proper motivation is to give to God's work because of the Worth of the teaching - because you recognize and appreciate the value and wish that others will also have the opportunity to hear God's life saving message in this the Time of the End.

IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE

God is raising up new ministries and new pastors and evangelists at this special time in history to reap a final great harvest of souls. God's word says that it is time for a change. He told the prophet Ezekiel,

"prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?" (Ezekiel 34:2)

God tells us that the sheep were scattered because there is no shepherd (Ezekiel 34:5). God further informs us that in these last days,

"thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves anymore; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them." (Ezekiel 34:10).

Eventually God will send us the Good Shepherd who will gather his flock and who will feed them (Ezekiel 34:23-24). In the meantime God is using those people who will seek out His sheep and seek that which was lost. (Ezekiel 34:8).

GET SMART!

Are we going to glorify God by participating in His Victory over the adversary, or will we play into the adversary's hands in apathy? The adversary wants you to remain silent, complacent and for you to hold on to your cash at all costs. The adversary, the devil himself, does not want you to give it away to any worthwhile Godly causes. Rather he prefers that you squander God's resources on teaching that either misses the mark or is uninspiring. But it is you who must decide what is worthwhile and worth more. I personally contribute to many ministries, but always I contribute to those who have taught me something of God's Wisdom, Knowledge and Spirit. I don't expect anything back in return because I have already received the value of the teaching. God never says, "get rich", rather God says "get wisdom" (Proverb 4:5). God is using His *Sword* to reach out and to pierce your hearts so that you will "get understanding". As you know all you have comes from Him and you should provide Him with the appropriate feedback in return for His message of salvation.

My friends, when you read the messages in the Sword of the Lord Newsletter I am confident that you will agree that the words contained herein come from God. The *Sword* speaks for Him. When you respond to the Truth of the teaching which has been shared with you, then the Spirit will move you to share with the Sword of the Lord Messianic Ministry. If the *Sword* has touched you and pierced your heart with the Word of the Lord it is my hope and fervent prayer that you will share that with us and tell others about this Ministry so that they too might profit.

I am looking forward to hearing from each and every one of you. Please keep in touch. *Love in Yeshua.*

— His Evangelist, Arnold Beizer

Words Of Wisdom

1. *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Proverb 1:5-7)*

2. *"If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it, every arrow that flieth feels the attraction of earth." (Henry Wadsworth Longfellow)*

3. *"He who begins by loving Christianity better than Truth will proceed by loving his own sect or church better than Christianity, and end by loving himself better than all." (Samuel Taylor Coleridge)*

4. *"What is now proved was once only imagined."*

5. *"Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has thought." (Albert Szent Gyorgyi)*

6. *"The worst moment for an athiest is when he feels grateful and doesn't know who to thank." (Wendy Ward)*

7. *"Don't wait for the last judgment. It takes place every day." (Albert Camus)*

8. *"All sin tends to be addictive and the terminal part of addiction is what is called damnation." (A Certain World)*

9. *"There is much good in the worst of us,*
   And so much bad in the best of us,
   That it hardly becomes any of us,
   To talk about the rest of us." (Anonymous)

10. *"He has occasional flashes of silence, that make his conversation perfectly delightful." (Sydney Smith)*

11. *"The mad man is not the man who has lost his reason. The mad man is the man who has lost everything except his reason." (Orthodoxy)*

12. *"An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile hoping that it will eat him last." (Winston Churchill)*

13. *"He that fights and runs away may live to fight another day." (Anonymous)*

14. *"The lamb that belongeth to the sheep whose skin the wolf was wearing began to follow the wolf in sheep's clothing." (Aesop)*

15. *"Instead of visions of grandeur, you should entertain grander visions." (Arnold Beizer)*

16. *"It takes a perfect person to find a perfect person." (Arnold Beizer)*

17. *"The best contraceptive is a glass of water: not before or after, but instead!" (Anonymous)*

18. *"In a race with a train to a crossing ... If there's a tie, you lose!" (Steven Wright)*

19. *"It's a small world, but I wouldn't want to paint it." (Steven Wright)*

20. *"You can't have everything ... where would you put it?" (Steven Wright)*

21. *"With the possible exception of the equator, everything begins somewhere." (Peter Fleming)*

22. *"When you take the bull by the horns ... what happens is a toss-up." (William Ridge)*

23. *"It was very good of God to let Carlyle and Mrs. Carlyle marry one another, and so make only two people miserable instead of four." (Samuel Butler)*

24. *"If two men on the same job agree all the time, then one is useless. If they disagree all the time, then both are useless." (Darryl F. Zanuck)*

25. *"Your prayer must be for a sound mind in a sound body." (Juvenal)*

26. *"If a man will begin with certainties, he shall end in doubts, but if he will be content to begin with doubts, he shall end in certainties." (Francis Bacon)*

27. *"The trouble with the world is that the stupid are cocksure and the intelligent full of doubt." (Bertrand Russell)*

28. *"For when the wine is in, the wit is out." (Thomas Bacon)*

29. *"But I'm not so think as you drunk I am." (John Collings Squire)*

30. *"God and the doctor we alike adore But only when in danger, not before; the danger over, both are alike requited, God is forgotten, and the doctor slighted." (Robert Owen)*

31. *"I can't say I was ever lost, but I was bewildered once for three days." (Daniel Boone)*

Famous Last Words

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"Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take."
(New England Primer, 1781)

"Concerning your salvation: some people are dying to live, and some people are dying to die. God has said, 'I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life ...' (Deut. 30:19)."
(Arnold L. Beizer)

"After witnessing to some pagan friends of mine on the subject of God's Salvation, I turned on the T.V. and Lo and Behold, the Sports Illustrated swimsuit models were parading across the screen. At once I was accused of salivating and of hypocrisy! Immediately, I responded in my defense: 'Don't get salivation confused with salvation!' "
(Arnold L. Beizer)

Other Last Words

"It's not that I'm afraid to die.
I just don't want to be there when it happens."
(Woody Allen)

"Either he's dead or my watch has stopped."
(Groucho Marx)

"If your time hasn't come,
not even a doctor can kill you." (Meyer Peristein)

"So death, the most terrifying of ills,
is nothing to us, since so long as
we exist, death is not with us, but
when death comes, then we do not exist.
It does not then concern either the living
or the dead, since for the former it is not,
and the latter are no more." (Epicurus)

"I shall have no more to say when I'm dead."
(Edwin Robinson)

"'John Wayne is dead.' The hell I am!"
(Anonymous)

Epitaphs

"Here lies a man who was killed by lightning:
He died when his prospects seemed
to be brightening.
He might have cut a flash in this world of trouble,
But the flash cut him, and he lies in the stubble."

"Here lies the body of Mary Ann Lowder.
She burst while drinking a seidlitz powder.
Called from the world to her heavenly rest,
She should have waited till it effervesced."

"This the grave of Mike O'Day
Who died maintaining his right-of-way.
His right was clear, his will was strong.
But he's just as dead as if he'd been wrong."

Prostitute's Epitaph: "She sleeps alone at last."

God Has The Last Word

"He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces ..."
(Isaiah 25:8)

"So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written; death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Yeshua HaMoshiach (Jesus Christ)." (1 Corinthians 15:55-57)

Don't Ask! $ $ $ $

Everybody is asking for money — well, I'm going to be different — I'm not going to ask. I'm going to leave this matter entirely up to you. Ask yourself: Is the *Sword* (God's Word) worth it? Is God's Truth valuable? Is God's Sword stabbing at your heart? You know the answer to your own question. Let your heart and God's Spirit be your guide and not a guilty conscience.

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