## Why Trump? The End Times and the Church

Historical overview of how God chooses *unconverted* world leaders to further *His* plan

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Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services. Well, Donald Trump is President. A lot of people are wondering how did he become President? *Especially the Democrats!* 

What factors are involved in it? Let's look at it this way: Does God deal with the nations and even Israel as He does with the Church? We know that in Dan. 4 that God proclaims that *He* rules in the kingdoms of men. So, He says here in Dan. 4:17, and He also repeats it in v 25.

Daniel 4:17: "This matter... [of what was going to happen to Nebuchadnezzar] ...is by the decree of the watchers..." Who are the watchers? *The watchers have to be the angels in charge of the nation!* And you have two sets of them: God's angels and Satan and his angels.

"...and the demand by the word of the Holy ones, so that the living may know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He will, and... [on occasions] ...sets up over it the basest of men" (v 17). I'm not referring to Donald Trump that way, but many people would agree.

- Was Nebuchadnezzar ever converted? *No!*
- Did he learn a lesson? Yes!

Verse 34: "And at the end of the days... [seven years is what it was] ...I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted up my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me..."

This is also interesting if you haven't heard me say it before, Dan. 4 is an epistle by Nebuchadnezzar, the head of gold preserved in the Bible for all world leaders to read, whether they will read or not. They all have an obligation to God.

So what he did, "...and my understanding returned to me, and I blessed the Most High... [other people in the world have blessed God] ...and I praised and honored Him Who lives forever, for His dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom is from generation to generation. And all the inhabitants of the earth are counted as nothing; and He does according to His will in the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. And none can stay His hand, or say to Him, 'What are You doing?'" (vs 34-35). That's the lesson that he learned.

Concerning the children of Israel when they were in captivity in Egypt, we're any of them converted? *No!* Israel, though it's a nation that God

loves, is a carnal nation. When they were crying and moaning and groaning because of the slavery that they were in. God heard and answered and sent Moses. So, we can draw certain parallels with that with today.

Now let's fast-forward up to the time of Christ, and then we'll come up to our day. Everything that God did in the Old Testament was preparing the way for the first coming of Christ. As well as giving prophecies of His second coming and the Kingdom of God on earth. So, overall it's the whole plan of God. Within that then the time involved with human beings—and, of course, God has created all human beings—God is concerned with the earth, He is active in the earth, and He rules in the earth.

Let's talk a little bit about the Church for a minute. When Jesus came, here's what He preached:

Mark 1:14: "Now, after the imprisonment of John..." Were there things written about John the Baptist? *Yes!* Everything about the life of Christ was foretold in the Prophets and the Psalms.

"...Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom of God" (v 14). That's the whole goal of everything that God is doing. Within that, all human beings created in the image of God sooner or later are going to understand it. We will see that we can't look upon the leaders of the world from the standard of being converted. Being converted is special. God has the calling go out, people have to answer the call and do exactly what He says here.

"...proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, 'The time has been fulfilled..." (vs 14-15)—everything that God is doing is according to *His* set time. And that all fits in with the Calculated Hebrew Calendar.

"...and the Kingdom of God is near at hand... [because He, though being in the flesh, was a future King] ...repent, and believe in the Gospel" (v 15).

Here's the beginning of the Church. When His disciples started to follow Him, did they know there was going to be a church? *No!* They understood some of the prophecies that the Messiah was coming. John the Baptist was the witness ahead of time.

Let's first of all see how we in the Church understand the things that we understand. It has to be that God—through calling, conversion and our repentance—lifts that blindness from our eyes so we can understand the Word of God. We'll talk about the Word of God today, because never in the history of the world, until beginning with William Tyndale, was the Bible available to any of the public in its full form, except in the small groups of churches down through history. They had parts of the New Testament and parts of the Old Testament, but today we have the whole thing. So, Jesus asked him:

Mathew 16:15: "He said to them, 'But you, whom do you declare Me to be?' Then Simon Peter answered *and* said, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered *and* said to him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jona, for flesh and blood did not reveal *it* to you, but My Father, Who *is* in heaven'" (vs 15-17).

Now think about that for a minute. Here is Peter carnal-minded, not yet converted, following the Messiah. How did God reveal it to him? *He put it in his mind! Had to!* 

Here's the whole purpose of the Gospel and the New Testament, Mathew 11:25: "At that time Jesus answered and said, 'I praise You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent, and have revealed them to babes." That's us! We also know that *God does not call* the wise and the mighty (1-Cor. 1).

Verse 26: "Yes, Father, for it was well pleasing in Your sight *to do* this. All things were delivered to Me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father; neither does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son personally chooses to reveal *Him*" (vs 26-27).

So, everything we know has to be that God opens our mind. It's kind of like the effect of gravity. It's so powerful it holds everything on the earth. But do you feel it? *No!* What happens if you fall down? All right you suffer the consequences of it. So, when God begins to deal with the person for the Church, He opens their mind to understanding, grants repentance, and leads them to baptism and conversion.

Everything that is going on in the world today is central in God's plan. Why am I going here first? So that we may answer the question: Why Donald Trump? We'll get there!

Mathew 16:18—Jesus said: "And I say also to you that you are Peter... [little stone] ...but upon this Rock... [Christ Himself] ...I will build My Church, and *the* gates of the grave shall not prevail against it."

That was a real revelation. Why? *Because God always dealt with Israel!* Now we have something new. After His life, birth, death, and resurrection, Christ did something very profound especially during the 40 days that He was with the disciples. Remember that there were times when Jesus said, 'You hard of hearts, when will you understand?' He said that to His disciples. After Jesus appeared to them, after His resurrection, He came into the room and told them:

Luke 24:39: "See My hands and My feet, that it is I. Touch Me and see *for yourselves*... [for it is not a demon spirit] ...for a spirit does not have flesh and bones, as you see Me having."

Very interesting! He didn't say flesh and blood. As a spirit being He could appear as if He were a human being, but He was really a spirit being. Could He change His appearance? *Yes He could!* Remember the two disciples before this they walked to Emmaus. They didn't recognize Him. Then He gave them something to eat

This is central to following through with the Church, v 44: "And He said to them, 'These *are* the words that I spoke to you when I was yet with you, that all *the* things which were written concerning Me in the Law of Moses and *in the* Prophets and *in the* Psalms <u>must be</u> fulfilled."" The Greek there is *obligatory*. And they're all fulfilled in their time.

Verse 45: "Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." That's also a key statement, because God's Spirit still opens our minds to understand the Scriptures today:

- *if* we love God
- *if* we're faithful to the Word of God
- *if* we keep His commandments

We could add all that in there!

Acts 1—This is after He had been with them for 40 days and 40 nights showing Himself, teaching them other things. They did not understand the plan of God, because that had to be revealed to them stepby-step-by-step. Here are the last words that He personally spoke to them before ascending into heaven.

Acts 1:6: "So then, when they were assembled together, they asked Him, saying, 'Lord, will You restore the kingdom to Israel at this time?"

They still didn't understand that the Kingdom of God was going to be the whole world. They could understand some of it from the Prophets, but the book of Revelation is the key, which opens up the understanding for all of the prophecies in the Old Testament.

Verse 7: "And He said to them, 'It is not for you to know *the* times or *the* seasons, which the Father has placed in His own authority; but you yourselves shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be My witnesses, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and **unto** *the* **ends of the earth**'" (vs 7-8).

You've heard me speak on that before. They heard it because He spoke it to them, but little did they know there would be another 2,000 years. How do you get to the ends of the earth? The reason I'm bringing this out is because the central plan of God is to work everything to bring the Kingdom of God on earth.

But He still deals with all the nations and the people on earth in different ways and different times. And you go to the ends of the earth. What do you suppose that meant to them? How much of the earth did they know? *Not very much*!

All right let's add that to Matt. 24, and we've been there many, many times, but the Bible is so fantastic. As Jesus said, 'The words I speak to you they are Spirit and Life.' There comes more meaning and more meaning out of what Jesus has said. Let's look at what He said:

Mathew 24:14: "And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be proclaimed in all the world..." I don't even think they had a clue as to what all the world really meant. To them that would be the immediate empire of the Roman Empire.

"...for a witness to <u>all</u> nations; and then shall the end come" (v 14). How is God going to do that? *That becomes quite a question!* When God says something, should we take it literally? if God means *all* the world?

Obviously were not at the end, yet. How is God going to do that? He has to create the environment on the earth through the nations so that it can be done. Plus He has to give the technology, like we see today, to make it happen. It says it's going to be *published* (Mark 13:10). First of all, the Bible is the most published book in the world, the most widely distributed book in the world.

- Why wouldn't it be something else?
- Why would it not be Homer's Odyssey or Iliad?
- Why would it not be something else?
- Why is it the most published book in the world?

And being published even more and more on a vast scale!

Not only concerning the personal physical things, but if you have a smart phone, you have it on your phone. There are now nearly one billion Bibles on smart phones today. *In all nations!* The whole Bible has been translated into over 400 languages:

- the New Testament 2,200
- the book of Mark 2,600

• there are still over 1,200 languages that it hasn't been translated into

And most of those people are what you call *verbal societies*. They speak and talk, but they do very little writing.

In New Mexico, and you can look this up online, there is a special organization called <u>Faith</u> <u>Comes by Hearing</u> {faithcomesbyhearing.com}. Let's also understand that there are enough people, whether converted or unconverted, but mostly the ones who are *for* Christ. As I have mentioned with the Protestants, there are two kinds:

- 1. those who are *for* Christ, not against Him
- 2. there are those who are *against* Him

The ones who are *for Him*, God uses in the world. Not for conversion, but to help spread the physical Word, because down through history, would the Church have been able to really publish all the Bibles that are out there today? *No!* This group, and they do this by donations, have linguists from these different countries and they are orally translating the Bible, recording and putting it on a special player. They have several different things they can do.

They have little handheld you put everything for the Bible on chip, put it in there and you can hear the whole Bible, just plug it in your ears. But the main one they have is this player and they have the whole Bible on it, and you can play it. And they get the power to play it by having batteries that are recharged with solar energy.

We can understand that today. But put yourself in the position of the apostles when they heard Jesus say, 'And this Gospel shall be proclaimed in all the world for a witness to all nations and then shall the end come.' There would be no way they could understand any of that. But today it is realistically being done. God wants a witness to *all* the world, and the Bible is the Gospel. That's quite an amazing thing! How is God going to get that done? *Stop and think!* What needs to be done to make that happen? Even physically?

You have to have people, you have to have resources, you have to have those who understand it, as it were in this case English, and whatever other languages that they understand. So, you look at an organization like this. There is no doubt that God is using them, whether converted or unconverted. Too many times we forget that God judges the Church for eternal life and salvation, and He judges the world according to the Ten Commandments in the letter of the Law!

God deals with the Church and the nations and He uses the nations and the resources to get things done. How is that going to work out for all the nations of the world? *There will be a lot of people who hear it!* Why does it have to be all nations? *Because God said so!* At the end-time it's going to involve:

- the Church
- all nations
- the angels
- Satan and his demons

and everything comes together in the book of Revelation!

Let's see what God also told us here. This is quite interesting, when we look at it from the point of view of what we've been discussing here. Now then, here's Paul's instruction concerning the world. We also have it in Rom. 13. But let's begin here:

1-Timothy 2:1: "I exhort, therefore, first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* thanksgivings be made on behalf of all men; for kings and all who are in authority, in order that we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in all Godliness and respectability" (vs 1-2).

In other words, that the Church may exist and the Gospel may be preached depends upon God dealing with the leaders of the nations. Now we can interweave a little more with that, but this is how God desires it. We have more understanding with the Holy Days and things like that.

Let's intervene with another thread. We've had the nations of the world, we've had the Church. The Church is going exist to the end-time. We see the prophecies of it in Revelation 2, 3, 12 and 14. So, it has to exist! The nations have to also exist, and they are on a different level then the Church is.

Now let's talk about Israel. We know that where the descendents of Israel are today, God deals with them as well, because when you read about the promises and the prophecies given to the twelve sons of Israel by Israel himself (Gen. 48), the nations of Israel will be expanded and actually be ruling the world right close to the end-time, even though they're not converted. Perhaps that can help answer the question in a minute, why we have a President Donald Trump <u>vs</u> Queen Hillary.

Jeremiah 31:3: "The LORD has appeared to me from afar, *saying*, 'Yea, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, with loving kindness I have drawn you." That's Israel!

God loves Israel even though they're carnal, even though they're sinning. They are not being called to salvation at this time. But nevertheless, they are His people. He is fulfilling the prophecies of Gen. 48 and Deut. 33.

Let's look at something else here. What did

God do with Judah and Jerusalem when they sinned? The ten tribes are sent off into captivity and then Judah and Jerusalem were sent off into captivity to Babylon for 70 years. How were they released from captivity?

Isaiah 45:1: "Thus says the LORD to His anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have made strong in order to humble nations before him. And I will loosen the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved doors; and the gates shall not be shut. 'I will go before you, and make hills level. I will break in pieces the bronze gates, and cut the iron bars in two'" (vs 1-2).

This was God's prophecy of Cyrus who would conquer Babylon and miraculously come into the city, because he diverted the water of the river so they can come down under the iron bars, and the bronze gates coming down to the Tigris River were left open. The troops came in and walked right in and they took over Babylon without throwing a spear.

- Was Cyrus converted? *No he wasn't!*
- Did God use him? Yes!

Just like God used Nebuchadnezzar whom He call 'His servant.' He was the one who issued the decree, that they could leave Babylon (Dan. 9) What about later on with the other kings of Persia and Ezra and Nehemiah and coming on down to the time of Christ?

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Now let's look at Israel again in 2-Sam. 5. This is after the 400-plus years that they had the judges. If you read and study the judges, you will see that they weren't converted either. Their lives in some ways, looking at it from the Church point of view, were pretty carnal. Same way as we see today.

But here is David; think about David for just a minute. When Samuel was sent to Jesse's house for one of the sons of Jesse, and he had eight of them, to anoint a new king to replace Saul, Samuel got there and all the sons passed by. God kept telling them, no not this one, not that one, not the other one. There were seven of them there, and they passed by twice. God kept saying no, *no*, *no*! That was in Samuel's mind, of course.

Samuel finally said to Jesse, 'Do you have another son?' *Oh yes, I've got the youngest, he's out there taking care the sheep.* 'Well, call him and bring him here.' That was David, the least likely of the sons. David was converted and 'a man after God's heart.' After he had conquered the area of Jerusalem and southern Israel at that time:

2-Samuel 5:1: "And all the tribes of Israel came to David, to Hebron, and spoke, saying,

'Behold, we are your bone and your flesh.""

Keep that in mind. Think about today in modern times. What do we have concerning the modern descendents of Israel today and the Jews? We're all bound together, one way or the other. Were not running to the Chinese and saying that 'we're your flesh and blood!'

Verse 2: "'Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, you were he who led Israel out and brought them in. And the LORD said to you, "You shall feed My people Israel, and you shall be a shepherd over Israel." And all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron. And King David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD. And they anointed David king over Israel" (vs 2-3). He was already anointed by God first.

Verse 4: "David *was* thirty years old when he began to reign. He reigned forty years. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah" (vs 4-5).

David was sitting there before the Ark of the Lord, he had it in a special tent in his house. He was contemplating and he said that God had no place to dwell and he wanted to build a house for Him. So Nathan came and told him that God said, 'Yes, I'll let a house be built for Me, but your son will build it.'

2-Samuel 7:8: "Now, therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "I took you from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be prince over My people, over Israel." And I was with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies out of your sight, and have made you a great name like the name of the great ones in the earth. Moreover, **I will appoint a place for My people Israel**..." (vs 8-10).

What did they just do in 2-Sam 5? They were all settled in the kingdom. They all came to David and said, 'We're going to make you king over all the tribes.' Of course, that was God's will to do so. So, this is a prophecy.

"...and will plant them so that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more...." (v 10).

Which tells us what? They moved in order to get from where they are here, to where God wanted them to go. They had to be moving, and then finally settled. That's why we have the book *America and Britain: Their Biblical Origin & Prophetic Destiny* by Philip Neal. This was a prophecy of that.

"...Neither shall the sons of wickedness afflict them any more, as before" (v 10). That's

moving on into the Millennial time.

Let's see how very important that this is. Then we will carry it down to our day. Now then, here's what's so important. Judah had the kingship. Joseph and his two sons had the birthright. Israel was about ready to die, so he gives a special blessing to the sons of Joseph. This becomes important, because this ties in today and ties in from where the Word of God is being preached today, and why we are where we are today. So, this applies to us.

Genesis 48:11: "And Israel said to Joseph, 'I had not thought I would see your face, and, lo, God showed me also your offspring.' And Joseph brought them out from between his *father's* knees, and he bowed his face to the earth. And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left, and Manasseh in his left toward Israel's right hand. And he brought *them* near to him" (vs 11-13).

This was a special ceremony of passing the blessing of Abraham on to the sons of Joseph.

Verse 14: "And Israel stretched out his right hand and laid *it* upon Ephraim's head, who *was* the younger, and his left upon Manasseh's head, crossing his hands, for Manasseh *was* the firstborn. And he blessed Joseph and said, 'May God, *before* Whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, the God Who fed me all my life to this day, the Angel Who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads. And let my name be perpetuated in them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac, and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth"" (vs 14 16).

Now then Joseph tried to correct his father because he thought that Manasseh should have the firstborn blessing.

Verse 17: "And Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, and it displeased him. And he held up his father's hand to remove it from Ephraim's head to Manasseh's head. And Joseph said to his father, 'Not so, my father, for this *is* the firstborn. Put your right hand upon his head.' And his father refused and said, 'I know *it*, my son, I know *it*. He also shall become a people, and he also shall be great, but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations.' And he blessed them that day, saying, 'In you shall Israel bless, saying, "God make you as Ephraim and as Manasseh."' And he put Ephraim before Manasseh" (vs 17-20)

Genesis 49:1: "And Jacob called to his sons and said... [this is all of them, with Ephraim and Manasseh, as well] ...'Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you what shall happen to you in the last days.'" Now when did the last days begin? We don't know really! You have last days in the Bible meaning the very last seven years. You have the last days beginning when? Maybe we can make a reasonable estimation of it based upon Ephraim and Manasseh! We're going to read about Joseph. We're not going to read about all the other eleven.

Verse 22: "Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, a fruitful bough by a well, whose branches run over the wall. The archers have fiercely attacked him and have shot *at him...*" (vs 22-23). Dolores and I were talking last night, there's never been a time that we haven't had war.

"...and hated him. But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob from there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel—" (vs 23-24). All right then we have mixed in with it the prophecy of coming of Christ.

- Were these people converted? *No!*
- Were they made strong? Yes!
- Has God used Israel down through history? Yes!
- Has God used His Church down through history? Very little until the end-times!
- When are the last days? We don't know!

We have the prophecy in Rev. 12, where the woman fled into the wilderness for protection for 1,260 years. The Gospel was preached out of that area of the Alps by the Waldensians and various ones like that into Europe and on into England. There was from the time of Paul a Celtic Church in the British Isles, but the Church has always been less than Israel, but within Israel first, if that makes any sense to you.

Verse 25: "By the God of your father, Who shall help you. And may the Almighty bless you with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lies beneath, blessings of the breasts and of the womb. The blessings of your father are greater than the blessings of my ancestors, to the utmost bound of the everlasting hills. They shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him, the ruler, the leader who was separated from his brothers" (vs 25-26).

That's quite a blessing of land, money, power, authority and all of that. This has an awful lot to do with what is transpiring right now. Again with Joseph:

Deuteronomy 33:13: "And of Joseph he said... [this is a blessing from Moses] ... 'Blessed of the LORD *be* his land... [there's never been a place like the United States of America in the world] ...with the precious things of the heavens, for the dew, and for the deep that couches beneath, and for the precious things of the fruits of the sun, and with the precious things of the yield of *the* months. And with the chief things of the <u>ancient mountains</u>, and for the precious things of the <u>everlasting</u> <u>hills</u>''' (vs 13-15). What is this? Gold, silver, precious stones, and oil, gas and coal!

Verse 16: "And for the precious things of the earth and fullness of it, and *for* the good will of Him Who dwelt in the bush. Let the blessing come on the head of Joseph, and on the top of the head of him who was separated from his brothers. His glory *is like* the firstborn of his bull, and his horns are like the horns of the wild ox...." (vs 16-17). What's one of the symbols of Britain and America? *The bull!* 

"...With them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth. And they are the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh" (v 17). This is for the end-time.

Now then, let's come back to the end of the Apostolate Church, and come forward with Israel and the Church. These blessings were to be in the end-time. They couldn't come all at once, it had to be over a period of time. The Apostle John, probably Philip and Andrew and with them maybe Timothy and Mark as well, finished canonizing the New Testament. The Church, after the death of John, was invaded with a lot of false prophets. But they had the complete New Testament at that time. They also had had it translated in old Latin by the time he died.

In  $325_{A,D}$  the Church was virtually taken over by the false Catholic Church, beginning with Constantine. They persecuted the true Christians because they kept the Sabbath and Holy Days and they fled into the wilderness up in the Alps away from everybody and everything.

Note DVD *Israel of the Alps* done by the SDAs, it's a very good production, too. You find that they had continuously a small work always ongoing, *ongoing*, *ongoing*. The Catholic Church was after them all the time to persecute them, to kill them, and so forth.

In 1453—key date—the Muslims invaded Constantinople and all of those of the Orthodox Greek Church gathered up all of their Greek manuscripts of the New Testament, which were copies of the ones that were done by John, to finish the New Testament. They brought those to southern Italy, set up their schools, and they taught the Greek. Now the Greek New Testament began to expand from that time forward, in 1453.

At the same time there was the Hebrew text that came through the Western Sephardic Jews, and in Vienna they published it, the full thing. The New Testament in Greek, and the Hebrew Old Testament moved up into Europe: into Germany, into Luxembourg, which was part of Belgium at that time, and into Holland. There were also some by John Hess down in Slovakia/Bohemia.

About the last part of the 1300s, Wycliff translated the Latin Bible into English. It was forbidden from that time for anyone to have it, and for anyone to translate it. When God begins to move, He calls special ones to do what He wants them to do. So, we come to the time of William Tyndale.

Could that be the beginning of the last days as the formation of England, and later America, came to the fore? Why do I say that? *William Tyndale knew seven languages*, and could carry on a conversation and flow from one language to another without making a single error in speaking when he was at Oxford in 1515.

So, you come from 1453 all the way up here, you have Martin Luther working over here. But Martin Luther was not faithful to the Word of God. William Tyndale, because he couldn't get it published in England, went over to the continent. He had several helpers and he translated the entire New Testament and the entire Old Testament. That was called the *Thomas Matthew Bible*.

God struck into King Henry VIII the need to leave the Roman Catholic Church. What we're looking at is two things happening at the same time:

- 1. God working to get His Word done, translated into English so that the descendents of modern Israel would have the Bible
- 2. this would be the first step in getting it to all the rest the world over time

But Tyndale had to work through the King of England. What happened?

Anne Boleyn was one of the wives of King Henry VIII. She gave to him William Tyndale's *Obedience of the Christian Man*. When he read that, he was inspired to separate from the Roman Catholic Church. Of course, it was great upheaval because of that.

Sidebar on William Tyndale: He finished translating it in the prison in Val Verde, in today what is called Belgium in Antwerp. And he completed the whole thing, he had a helper John Rogers who helped him, and Myers Coverdale helped him, as well.

So, the Bible was published in England, finally, under the auspices of King Henry VIII, and put in every church, and was told that if someone couldn't read it, you have a reader available to read it to them. This was the first time the people of Israel, that they had the whole Word of God available on a public basis. Now, let's get a another date involved here.

Remember 1453. The Greek New Testament came out of Greece, with all the scholars and so forth there. What happened around 1450s? *The printing press!* Gutenberg printed *The Latin Vulgate*. Now then, all of these things come together.

After Henry VIII died his sister took over as queen: Bloody Queen Mary. She was killing all the Christians who were Protestants at that time. But what happened in England was this: After her reign and then during the reign of Queen Elizabeth the first, England started to rise in power and to fulfill the blessing that was given in the latter days to Ephraim.

The people could read the Bible, they began to see the Sabbath. There were Sunday-keepers and Sabbath-keepers. But how many people could study out and understand the problems of Sunday-keeping at that time like we can today? *Not very many people!* Many of those who objected to having the king as the head of the Church were persecuted and they fled over to the Netherlands. They had a small colony there, and amongst them were Sabbathkeepers.

Meanwhile at the same time, and coming forward to the 1600s, King James cause the *King James Version* to be published in 1611, the *Geneva Bible* version in English was published in 1555, and then several other editions, the last one was in 1599. There was a special colony sent by the King to the new continent of America. They landed in what they named as Jamestown, after the King. And later became the colony of Virginia in the state of Virginia.

When they landed the first thing that they did was to plant a cross. This is not authorizing idol worship or anything. They planted a cross and the governor of the expedition and the people all gathered around to thank God that they were able to be there, and they prayed to dedicate America to preach the Gospel to the world. That was a very important occurrence, and you don't understand it until you look back on it.

Let's fast forward to today. From where is the Gospel being preached today? *America!* Why? *Because it has the freedom of press and the freedom of speech!* Remember that America was very unique, because they set up the government without a king. They brought God into the Constitution and into their laws and use the Bible to teach the children. and so forth.

In the midst of it, came the Sabbath-keepers, who were actually remnants of the Church of God.

Now you want a little more history of that, go to Bible Sabbath Association and you can download the *History of the Church of God Seventh Day*. I don't know whether there were Sabbath-keepers on the Mayflower or not. The colony of Virginia was 1620, the Mayflower landed 1627.

God was moving the people to fulfill the promise that He gave in Gen. 49 and Deut. 33, and at the same time came the Bible. They were believing, some of them Sabbath-keepers. Some of them really had the Spirit of God. Some of them were just like ordinary Protestants, if we could put it that way.

Now then, here we have at the end-time the only place in the world where there's freedom of press to preach the Gospel. What did we have ready to take over the nation to destroy that? She would have been the first woman President of the United States and she would've destroyed it. God said, 'No!' Why? Because there's more to be done in preaching the Gospel, and more to be done in fulfilling the prophecies in the books of Revelation and Daniel before the end comes.

It's not that Donald Trump was such a wonderful person. But Pastor Jeffress of the Dallas Baptist Church told Donald Trump two years before the election that God was calling him to be President of the United States, just like God used the priests and *most of them were not converted*. Can God use Protestants to do His will? *Yes*!

Could anyone in the Church of God walk up to Donald Trump and say, 'Donald Trump, you're a great sinner and God has called you to be President, you need to repent'? *No!* There could be no way we could do that. The most unlikely man, but he did have one thing: *he was honest*. He was not a politician, he was not tied up into all of the establishment, and within the establishment you have the satanists. He believed the Word of God, though he didn't understand it, and he understood the value of freedom of press and he was against abortion, though when he was younger he was for it.

Could he repent enough to change all of those things? *Yes!* What was needed for the Churches so the Gospel could go out? So, the work that is being done with <u>Faith Comes by Hearing</u>. That's a tremendous, tremendous work they're doing. God is certainly causing them to do it. There had to be more time. If there's more time, there has to be things done to complete the prophecies to warn the whole world and all nations.

What I want you to do is keep in mind all the different things that happen, which makes it so the Gospel can be preached. I'm going to add in something else very important: *All the modern technology we have is for the preaching of the Gospel!* Believe that or not! Some of it's very destructive to fulfill the prophecies that men would destroy themselves if Christ didn't return, that is true.

Let me just give you a case here: Remember when NASA shut down, private investors said, 'We want to set up a company so we can make rockets and send satellites into space. There's this one company [SpaceX], they finally got their first rocket up there, and they put out ten satellites. You know what their goal is? *To have Wi-Fi around the world everywhere for anyone with any device!* Why is that important?

They send the satellites up and put them in a certain altitude, so they won't crash to the earth. Certain speed and so forth. They're going to send up a whole series of these. I think their going to send up a twenty-plus satellites to cover the whole world. Tie that in with <u>Faith Comes by Hearing</u>. BOOM! What if you in live in a country that you operate by very little written instruction, but if you have a cell phone and understand how to work it, what can you get on it? Anything because you have Wi-Fi!

This is going to tie the whole world together. The good part of it is, to get the Gospel to the whole world to all nations as a witness in their hands. Then think about when the two witnesses are killed. How is the whole earth going to see that they're dead lying in the streets of Jerusalem, unless you have the satellites up there and everybody has all these devices so they can pick it up automatically?

Now someone may say, 'Well, Fred Coulter, you're being really weird!' *I don't think so!* If God is going to give a witness to all nations, how is He going to do it? *Many different ways*: We've got the printed word, we even have with *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order, A Faithful Version,* you can go online to **afaithfulversion.org** and you can download an app on your smart-phone and you have the whole faithful version Bible with all the commentary and all the appendices.

And this organization *Faith Comes by Hearing* {faithcomesbyhearing.com} is going to have it in every spoken language, a 1,028 languages. They're going to get it to everybody. Think of that! God is so great, that He's going to make it possible for even the most uneducated in the world to hear the Word of God and the warning.

I wonder what that's going to be like when the two witnesses start? Hey, a lot of things are going to happen. But what does that take? It takes a nation:

- that is vibrant
- that is productive
- that will design, invent and create these things

They think they're doing it for other reasons, but God has another thought in mind to get the Word to the whole world.

Could that happen if the United States collapsed financially? *No, it would cease!* What do you need? You need a leader that *believes enough in God and is honest!* Remember Jer. 5, talking about unconverted people. None of the Israelites were converted. Probably the only one converted there was Jeremiah. Things were so bad:

Jeremiah 5:1: "Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in her open places, if you can find a man, if there is one who does justice... [I wonder what *drain the swamp* has to do with that] ...who seeks the Truth..."

Have you ever heard of Doctor Ablow on the Fox News? Someone asked him, 'What do you think about Donald Trump?' He says that he's a truth-seeker. And he said Hillary is a congenital liar.

"...and I will pardon her" (v 1). In other words, give a space and time for repentance.

- Do the Churches need to preach more of the Gospel? *Yes!*
- Do we need to reach out further? Yes!
- Do we need to produce more material? Yes!

I've said many times before, I pray for all the Churches of God every single day. All of us need to repent and change, and really preach and teach, and get off this stupid high horse as to who's in charge and to whose laying with who and what thing was done when, and preach the Truth of God as strongly as we can.

This what we need to do. If I can help stir up some of the some of the brethren here to understand, if you haven't been watching Church at Home you better get on watching Church at Home {**churchathome.org**}. There's some really good material there to reach out to other people. We have many things already published and ready to go. We have so many sermons, so many videos for Church at Home covering topics.

I was talking with Randy the other day, and we're updating and revamping the website. And he said I'm starting on the series, *Who is the Real Jesus?* Guess how many half-hour segments you did on that?' And I said, 'I don't know, 15 or 20.' I didn't even remember. He said, '31!'

What's the most important thing for people to know *Who is the Real Jesus*?! We need to do everything we can to expand out on the Internet, expand out for the smart phones and things like this.

Also, we've got the Bible published, the

physical Bible. It's the only Bible in the world in a single volume that has all the books of the Old Testament and New Testament in their manuscript order. It could not be done until this time. There are several who have done it in the past. I've got a set from one man that's a five volume set, there's another man who did a two volume set. This is the only one.

Hobby Lobby—the retail craft store<sub>[transcriber's</sub> correction]\_owner David Green is contributing millions and millions of dollars to set up in Washington, DC—near the capital—a Bible museum. He's got one in Oklahoma City. So, I contacted Todd Olson and he's going to see if we can get *The Holy Bible in Its Original Order* in the Bible Museum, probably first in Oklahoma City, and hopefully in Washington DC.

Think of that! Where else in the world is something like this going on? And remember the video that we saw about this former Baptist Church that they converted over to Sabbath-keeping. And there are news reports that I've read that some of the Assemblies of God are converting over to Sabbathkeeping.

We don't know what God is going to do. but we have got to do everything we need to do to get it done. That's why God has sent Donald Trump, because if this nation collapsed financially and collapsed morally, there would be no preaching of the Gospel. They would edit everything, they would shut up everything, and Donald Trump has said two things, which if he does just these two, plus the economic thing...:

- 1. get rid of the Johnson amendment about not preaching politics from the pulpit
- 2. to put in a Supreme Court judge—one, two, three or four—how many ever may come up, who believe in the Constitution

Who are honest and will interpret the law and the Constitution correctly. That sounds like Jer. 5:1 to me. *One man!* 

Trump used to be for abortion, even partialbirth abortion, but now is against it. And the technology has come along for women, through an ultrasound, so they can actually see the developing baby in their womb. That stops an awful lot of abortions.

Trump wants to get judges in there to bring abortion down even more. The Vice President Mike Pence is against *all* abortion. What they need to say is that you don't need any abortion, if you use birth control so there will be no conception. There's nothing wrong with that. But once there is conception, you got a new life by God. Abortion has got to be stopped. You think Hillary/Billary would've done any of that? Would even think of any of that? Think of what kind of judges she would put on the Supreme Court.

So, the long and short of it is that there's more time to preach the Gospel and we are further from the end then maybe we thought previously. In order to get done what we need to get done, God had to intervene and hear the cries of oppression by all of those that Obama and all the Democrats have been oppressing and everything coming in on them, and say,

- I'm going to raise up a man who is going to give you a space and time.
- What are you going to do?'
- Are you going to listen to Me?
- Are the Churches of God going to preach the Gospel?

Maybe more Protestants will be converted over to the Sabbath and preach the Gospel. We don't know what God is going to do. There tremendous things that can happen for us not to get all lifted up in great things that were going to do, because we live and breathe and have our being within God, and that's what it has to be.

So there you go that's my political statement for the election!

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