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## **BRAINWASHED!**

While I was in Israel I read the following hard-hitting article by Moshe Zak in the Jerusalem Post. I wanted to share it with you.

— Zola

The country's Jewish population has doubled since the Six Day War — from 2.25 to 4.5 million. This is worth remembering next Sunday, 27th anniversary of the war's outbreak. We might also note the huge increase in the average Israeli's standard of living since 1967, and the growth in average per capita annual income. In 1967, there was a serious economic recession. Why not compare it to the current pattern of growth? And what about the wave of immigration that has flooded the country (Remember that pre-'67 joke: "The last one to leave the country, switch off the lights at the airport")?

And yet only a minority will recall how things were on the eve of the Six Day War. Why? **Because the country has been brainwashed.** One bright summer's day, so the story goes, Israel got up and embarked on a war of conquest, grabbing land that belonged to the Palestinians! So, to attain peace, Israel must restore those occupied lands to the Palestinians — even though they never were under Palestinian control.

The facts about Egyptian rule in Gaza and Jordanian occupation of Judæa and Samaria are indisputable. And still, Arab propaganda has succeeded in disseminating the term "restoration of territories" to the Palestinians among a substantial part of the Jewish population. More than that, some Jews argue

that Israel must continue to provide a livelihood for the Palestinians, even after they leave its control.

There were no gold mines in Gaza, no oil wells in Jericho. Israel didn't exploit the territories economically, or impoverish them. In fact, the average per capita income in Gaza under Israeli rule was higher than in Egypt. And Palestinians' standard of living in the so-called West Bank is higher, on average, than in the Jordanian "East Bank." The argument that Israel's exploitation lay in employing laborers from the territories, is irrational. If working here was that bad for the Palestinians, why is the self-government authority asking Israel to continue employing them, even during the autonomy period?

Israel hasn't satisfied the Palestinians' aspiration for their own state. But neither did Jordan and Egypt, when they ruled the areas. At the PLO's founding congress, held 30 years ago at Jerusalem's Intercontinental Hotel, the organization's stated goal was the liberation of all Palestine "including the areas under Jordanian sovereignty."

In the years before the Six Day War, when Arab leaders set up a joint military command to prepare for the showdown with Israel, we tried

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to obtain international agreement to convert the armistice lines into permanent borders. The Arabs urged other countries to refuse to accept the territorial status quo between Israel and its neighbors.

Those who shed tears over Yasser Arafat's difficult situation in setting up Palestinian rule in the territories may be surprised to hear that in 1967, he acted to facilitate the occupation of the "West Bank" by Israel. And not impulsively, but calculatedly — as he explained to his associates on the eve of the war. Arafat planned terrorist strikes against Israel, so that the Israeli army would be forced to occupy Judæa and Samaria; this would enable him to create the basis for a popular war against Israel.

His provocation was partly successful: the terrorist attacks increased tension in the region, drawing the Arab countries into an accelerated confrontation with Israel. But the basis for the "popular war" had to wait another 20 years, until the intifada. Meanwhile, Arafat was forced to flee the West Bank into Jordan. From there, to save his skin, he fled to Lebanon, from where he was humiliatingly expelled to Tunis.

When he returns to Jericho this month, with Israel's permission, he will try to present himself as having arrived thanks to "the children of the stones," who overcame the soldiers of the Israel Defense Forces. He will not want to be reminded that his embroiling the Arab states in war with Israel brought disaster to the Arabs.

Arafat is still drunk with the delusion that he has really been victorious over Israel. This intoxication with the belief that he can force an Israeli retreat on all fronts could convince the Arabs that there is no danger of losing territory, even as a result of a war they start. That kind of "insurance policy" is a sure recipe for new wars.

The agreements on Israel's borders that were in effect on the eve of the Six Day War were much firmer than the wording of the Oslo and Cairo agreements. Yet this didn't prevent

terrorist attacks against our borders. And they generated war. Despite the limited dimensions of that terror, compared to today's strikes, Israel didn't tell the nation that it would have to get used to continuing terrorism. Aware that terror has its own dynamic, that if it wasn't dealt with at the height of its virulence, it would develop into a great danger, Israel didn't say that it would just have to live with terror.

Now that Arab illusions of defeating Israel and dictating terms of surrender have been shattered, the PLO is trying to return the armistice lines back to square one, to a situation that breeds wars. It wants to prove that even its military adventurism brings no loss.

Because of the big lie that Israel conquered the Palestinian state, the PLO believes it will be able to return to the starting point even after losing future conflicts that it instigates. But the fact is there never was such a state. Should it arise, the only gainers will be warmongers, Palestinian terror chiefs, who deliberately plunged the region into war.

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PART III

By Thomas S. McCall, Th.D.

#### **RESPONSES TO ZIONISM**

In physics, there is a law that every action has an equal and opposite reaction. The phenomenon of Zionism has stirred enormous reactions in the world, both positive and negative. If we are to think in the Biblical mold, we must change our thinking patterns. We must begin to look at modern world history from the viewpoint of how Israel influences everything, and how everything influences Israel.

Two main areas of reaction have been in religion and politics. Christianity has been in the forefront of the debate about Israel in the modern world. Christianity may be considered the daughter of Judaism, and there has always been tension between the mother and the daughter from the time of the birth of the daughter. Judaism has looked upon Christianity as an unfortunate misinterpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures, at best, and a dangerous and persecuting perversion of the

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Messianic hope, at worst. Christianity, on the other hand, has looked upon Judaism as a vestigial organ, like an appendix, that has outlived its usefulness. It not only has considered the fall of Israel, Jerusalem and the Temple the fulfillment of prophecy, it also sees these as sure signs that God has forever abandoned and judged the Jewish people, and banished them into oblivion.

For many Christians, the idea of the Jewish people returning **en masse** to the Land as a restored nation of Israel is anathema. To

them, it would be tantamount to the repudiation of Christianity. This view has been dominant in Christendom for at least fifteen centuries. Something remarkable, though, was happening about the same time as Zionism was stirring in the hearts and minds of the Jewish people in the 19th Century. An increasingly large minority of Christians began to re-discover the New Testament attitude of the early Christians toward Israel, which is far different from the prevailing attitude today.

#### PRO-ZIONIST CHRISTIANITY

Instead of having a strongly negative attitude about the position of Israel, these Christians began to teach a very positive view about the future of Israel in God's plan. Rather than seeing the Jewish people forever cut off from the Lord, they were expounding the Scriptures that reveal a glorious future for both the Church and Israel. They believed that Israel would have an intimate relationship with their Messiah, Christ Jesus, at His Second Coming.

These Christians came to be known as Premillennialists, which refers to the belief that Christ will return to the earth **before** the Millennium. This will be a period of a thousand years during which Christ will reign on earth, with Jerusalem, Israel, as His capital and holy city.

They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years ... [in] ... the beloved city. (Rev. 20:4, 9).

They also call themselves Dispensationalists, because they interpret the Scriptures as portraying God as having arranged several dispensations throughout time, including Innocence, Conscience, Law, Grace and the

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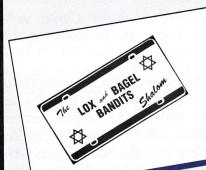
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### A NOTE FROM ZOLA

Dear Friends,

On our Summer Tour to Israel we were able to meet with Yitzhak Shamir and Benjamin Netanyahu. Here are some of the things they told me. The



complete text of the interviews will be televised on our upcoming *House of David* series.

Netanyahu: Arafat was recently in a mosque in Johannesburg where his speech was secretly taped and smuggled out. In the tape, Arafat claims to be conducting a "jihad" to liberate Jerusalem — a holy war for extermination of the infidel. He claimed to be following Mohammed's example. When Mohammed couldn't conquer the Arabian peninsula, he made a peace treaty with them. Later he tore up the agreement and destroyed them. I would be very careful in calling this a peace process. It is the opposite of peace.

**Zola:** The government has some sort of a mandate that a majority is going for this.

**Netanyahu:** No, not true ... a poll taken a week ago contrasts with a year ago. During the signing of the Oslo agreements, there was euphoria and two-thirds supported this. But a poll just a week ago reversed this. 63% do not want to give up the high ground, only 32% said yes. People are not blind and deaf; they can think. We need a different process.

**Zola:** What is your view of the Palestinians arriving, as we speak, before Arafat will take over in Jericho?

**Netanyahu:** This is not police, but an army to liberate. They have machine guns, armored cars, helicopters, and the numbers are 10,000. Compare that to 17,000 for all of Israel. Arafat's army are terrorists. The Palestinian police are a force that will one day turn against us.

**Zola:** Mr. Shamir, what do you think of the peace process?

**Shamir:** I think that the agreement is a great

blunder. It endangers the security of Israel. I have always supported any peace efforts. But an agreement with a terrorist organization — you cannot rely on them. Two years ago, no one thought our influence in Jerusalem would be in danger or that there would be a threat to the Golan Heights. When I was Prime Minister, we went forward from strength to strength. Now everything is changing for the worse.

**Zola:** We spoke to Mr. Netanyahu, who said that most who were for the peace process are now against it.

**Shamir:** Every individual, of course, prefers peace. But now we see that the situation is not as it was described less than a year ago and public opinion has changed. Something will happen here that we will not be able to change afterwards. This is the big danger now.

**Zola:** The U.S. took a big part in the agreement with Egypt over the Sinai.

**Shamir:** It was a different story. Carter was an active partner and we were dealing with a country. Also, it was not about parts of Israeli territory — Sinai was never claimed as a part of Israel.

**Zola:** What they are giving back now is really Israel. What about the Golan?

**Shamir:** Yes, the Golan is a very important stronghold of our security. It is very dangerous to give up this territory. It is one of the main reasons for Syria not to attack Israel. And we have a large community there in the Golan Heights.

**Zola:** Arafat, once established in Jericho, wants to come to the Dome of the Rock for prayer.

**Shamir:** Ah, well, it is not a problem of having an opportunity to pray. There is full liberty to the world to pray in Jerusalem. What he wants is not personal expression but to be the master of Jerusalem. We will not allow it to happen. Jerusalem shall not be his.

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### Letters to Zola

Dear Zola,

I watch your TV Show every week. Sometimes it is very interesting. I really enjoyed the series on the neo-Nazis, even though spying on them is bad. Suppose they had a spy in your organization, how would you feel about that?

I watch with interest the pictures taken in the Holy Land, because that is where my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ walked. One thing that I can not figure out is that you said you could never forgive the Nazis for the murdering of the Jews. In my Bible it says that if you don't forgive your brother, God will not forgive you, and you will go to hell. You say Hitler was not your brother so you don't have to forgive him. I know Adolf Hitler was a Christian and I will prove it:

This is a passage from a speech made by Hitler in Munich on April 12, 1922 and I quote: "My feelings <u>AS A CHRISTIAN</u> POINT ME TO <u>MY LORD AND SAVIOR</u> as a fighter. It points me to the man who once in loneliness, surrounded only by a few followers, recognized these Jews for what they were and summoned men to the fight against them and who, God's truth, was greatest not as sufferer but as fighter. <u>IN BOUNDLESS LOVE AS A CHRISTIAN</u> and a man, <u>I READ</u> through the passage which tells us how THE LORD at last rose in his might and seized

the scourge to drive out of the Temple the brood of vipers and adders."

This passage reveals 3 truths

- #1 Hitler was a Christian
- #2 Hitler confessed the Lord Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior
- #3 Hitler read the Bible

Well Zola, what do you say to that? I feel that I am one of God's Chosen and I am not a Jew. I do believe that the Nazis killed some Jews, Spies and Gang members. I do not believe in the Holocaust, but I do believe there were Concentration Work Camps. Traitors are always shot. I have wanted to see Steven's film (Schindler's List). I will wear my German Reenactors Uniform complete with Swastika arm band. This film had to be made because 40% of the world's population has begun to question the Holocaust.

I know you will never receive this letter, but I just had to write and stand up for a Christian Brother even though he is dead. I will continue to watch the TV show, and will be looking for other things to prove you wrong. If you have the nerve, write me back, send me some of your information, I will respond in like manner. I do not hate you, but get your stories straight before you say them on TV.

In Christian Love and in Hitler's Memory,



L.W.R.

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## A Look at the Book

By Steve Ger

## "JEREMIAH: WEEPING FOR THE DISOBEDIENT"

Welcome to the second installment of our overview of Jeremiah's message. months ago, we introduced the prophet himself and the background of his ministry and message. We learned that Jeremiah is one of the most autobiographical books in the entire Bible, and that his name means both "the Lord exalts" and "the Lord throws down." We will see after studying this book that God exalts those who seek Him but does indeed "throw down" entire nations. even Israel, which disobey Him. This series is entitled, "Weeping for the Disobedient." Jeremiah is known as the "weeping prophet" who agonized over the coming judgment on his people. This month we will examine the first six dynamic chapters of the book bearing Jeremiah's name. Before continuing with this month's lesson, please review

Jeremiah 1-6. Buckle your seat belts; the prophecy of Jeremiah is a bumpy road!

"Repent and be saved or continue in sin and be judged ... God called them to circumcise their hearts."

first The six chapters of Jeremiah comprise his earliest messages to the people of Judah. The first chapter introduces the Lord's call and commissioning of the prophet. We see that God chose Jeremiah from the womb and called Jeremiah to ministry when he was only a youth. Young Jeremiah, like Moses had centuries earlier, claimed incompetence for prophetic ministry. Jeremiah knew the magnitude of the opposition he would face. God, however, promised to be in relationship with Jeremiah and to give him the words to speak.

Basically, the message God gives Jeremiah is concerned with condemning Judah's



sinfulness. God appoints his prophet to "uproot, tear down, destroy and overthrow." Judah has forsaken the Lord and served other gods. Jeremiah's message is specifically designed to bring the people to repentance. The Lord also commissioned Jeremiah "to build and to plant." If the Jews could be persuaded to repent of their gross idolatry, then there was a chance that the curses promised for their sinfulness in the Mosaic Covenant could be avoided and God's blessings delivered in their stead.

Judah was given two choices. They could repent and be saved, or they could continue in sin and be severely judged. Their idolatry was an abomination to the Lord, but they hypocritically and blindly continued to believe that all was right between themselves and God. God called them to circumcise

their hearts, to truly return to Him; to perform radical heart surgery on themselves and cast a w a y t h e i r

corruption. This they needed to do for their nation's healing, personal restoration, and so that all nations would be saved. It cannot be doubted that there was ample justification for God's judgment. From the greatest of the people to the least of them, priest and prophet, king and peasant alike were all sinful and unrepentant. Jeremiah's heart was tormented as he prophesied God's judgment on the people and the land.

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Millennium. People would always be saved by grace through faith in all these dispensations. However, the way in which they live their lives and show their faith would differ from one dispensation to another.

These views became incorporated in a considerable movement in evangelical Christianity in Europe and America, and

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and institutions. Among these were the Keswick and Prophetic Conferences, Scofield Reference Bible, Moody Bible Institute, the Bible Institute of Los Angeles, and Dallas Theological Seminary. Most of the mainline Christian Denominations did not embrace the Premillennial/Dispensational position. Many pastors and churches in most of the various Protestant denominations, though, began to preach and teach these views. They did not think they were inventing anything new, but were rather re-discovering what the Bible taught about Israel, the Church and the Second Coming all along. The Dispensationalists believed these great truths had been lost through much of the Church age.

In the Reformation, Martin Luther had rediscovered the long-suppressed doctrine of salvation by faith. In the same way, the Dispensationalists believed they were rediscovering the long-suppressed Biblical truth about such doctrines as the Rapture of the Church and the Millennial blessings of Israel.

Few, if any, have noted, though, that Zionism and Dispensationalist Christianity both came on the scene at practically the same time, the latter part of the 19th Century!

How is it that this teaching about the restoration of Israel began to flourish in both the Jewish and Christian cultures at the same point in history? Was this some peculiar coincidence? Did this just happen? Is it possible that the hand of the Lord was operating in both Israel and the Church to bring about just such a development?

Let us suppose that the Dispensationalists are right. In the end time, God intends to bring Israel back to the Land. He will prepare Israel for judgment (the Tribulation) and final blessing (the Millennium at the Second Coming

of Christ). How would God do such a thing? After all, at the

beginning of the 19th Century, very few, if any, Jews or Christians were seriously thinking about a restoration of Israel. Nevertheless, the prophet Ezekiel, among others, predicted that such a thing would happen, and that it would be a process, perhaps a lengthy one:

Then He said unto me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel; behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost; we are cut off on our part.' Therefore, prophesy and say unto them, 'Thus saith the Lord God: Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel'" (Ezek. 37:11-12).

In the vision, the upturned graveyard of bones came together into skeletons, developed flesh, and then at the end had the breath of God breathed into them. They became alive as a great army and nation. This was a prophecy of the gradual restoration of the Jewish people back to their ancient Land.

A vocal minority of Christians began to teach anew this doctrine from the Bible just as Jewish pioneers began to trickle back into the Land. Who influenced whom? Did Jews hear Christians talking about this, decide it was a

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### Letters to Zola

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We read the following letter in the New York Times — May 2, 1994.

To the Editor:

The claim that God told Colin Ferguson to catch the Long Island Rail Road train and kill white people, attributed to Khalid Muhammad, a former spokesman of the Nation of Islam, and the wide coverage of that absurd claim (front page, April 21), damages the reputation of the religion of 10 million Muslims around the world.

Under Islam, God would never ask a person to kill innocent people. The "good" and "bad" deeds of humans are done by humans, not by God, and should never be attributed to Him.

Regrettably, Americans know next to nothing about Islam, and the remarks of Mr. Muhammad add to the general prejudicial attitude toward Islam and American Muslims.

Islam is the continuation of Judaism and Christianity. It revolves around the concept of "Tawheed" which means "oneness and unity." There is one indivisible and universal God. One message, sent by the same one God through Adam, Noah, Abraham, Jacob, David, Moses, Jesus and Mohammed (peace be upon them). One humankind and one universe.

Accordingly, Islam believes in Judaism and Christianity. And under Islam, Jews and Christians are people of the book, one people and one book, sent by the same one God.

Islam is a color-blind religion, which stresses the equality of humankind, regardless of color, language, nationality or even religion!

Islam is not only against killing, as done by Colin Ferguson, but it is almost against capital punishment, stressing forgiveness as a higher value than retribution.

"Jihad" is not a "holy war", as the Western news media proclaim. There are no holy wars, as all wars are unholy! The Arabic word "jihad" means doing one's utmost. And jihad comes in three forms: self-improvement, self-defense, and self-control.

Have there been Muslims who have violated the teachings of Islam? Yes! But there has never been a Muslim who said God had told someone to kill people because of the color of their skin, as Khalid Muhammad reportedly did.

Mohammad T. Mehdi Secretary General



National Council on Islamic Affairs

Unfortunately, letters defending Islam tend to rely on a certain amount of misinformation. The world is far too familiar with anti-Jewish and anti-Christian statements of Islamic spiritual leaders to take this sort of defense seriously. Blowing up airplanes and skyscrapers talks a lot louder about peace and war than soothing explanations of the faith. The Koran itself does not shrink from encouraging war against what it calls the idolaters and the infidels:

- Prophet, make war on the unbelievers and the hypocrites and deal rigorously with them. (Surah IX, 73)
- ▶ They will fight for the cause of God, slay and be slain. (Surah IX, 111)
- ▶ If you do not fight, He will punish you sternly ... (Surah IX, 37)
- Believers, make war on the infidels who dwell around you. Deal firmly with them. ...let them find harshness in you..(S.IX, 123)
- Fighting is obligatory for you ... Warfare is ordained for you. (Surah II, 216)

— Zola

#### **Hebrew Lesson**

שובו בנים שובבים

\* "sho-vah-veem bah-neem Shoo-voo"

"Return, Oh backsliding children" Jeremiah 3:14

\* Remember, Hebrew (and the English transliteration) are read from right to left.

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good idea, and start packing for Palestine? Or were Jews beginning to head back to the Land, and Christians, observing this, began to consult their Bibles to see if there was anything about it in prophecy?

In reality, these seem to be very independent movements. There was little direct communication between the two groups about the future of the Jews. After centuries of persecution and hurling of accusations one against the other, there was mostly mistrust between the rabbis and the ministers. While the leaders of these movements were not pen pals, however, it is likely that each group observed the publications and actions of the other. They probably had a mutual impact on one another.

While there was little direct communication between Zionism and Dispensationalism, it appears that neither would have flourished well without the other. If there had been no practical movement of the Jews going back to the Land, Dispensationalism would have appeared to most Christians as a highly unrealistic proposition. It probably would have returned to its long position of obscurity. On the other hand, what would have happened if the efforts of the Zionists had not met with the approving encouragement of the Dispensationalist Christians? The return of the Jewish people back to the Land, as we shall see, might have been even more difficult than it turned out to be. We believe that God was behind the development of both movements, and used both Zionism and Dispensationalism to accomplish the beginning of the fulfillment of the ancient Scriptural prophecies.

In future installments, we will see how great movements in Judaism and Christianity in England, Europe and America have fostered the restoration of Israel. We will also observe how powerful countermovements in Nazism, Communism, Christianity and Islam in Europe, America, Russia and the Middle East have struggled mightily to keep Israel from either becoming or remaining a nation once again.

#### A Look at the Book

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The direction from which the judgment was to come would be from the north. It would come swiftly and as a direct consequence of their sin. There was no doubt that this referred to the then most powerful nation on earth, Babylon. Those of you readers who are teachers know the educational value of object lessons to communicate a topic. The book of Jeremiah is a handbook of educational object lessons. The object lesson the Lord would use to teach Judah to obey Him would be exile and captivity in a foreign land. As Judah had served other gods, so they would also serve foreigners.

Even so, note that even through this harsh punishment, the Lord promises that a remnant of the Jewish people would survive to appreciate and learn the Divine lesson. Jeremiah's message hearkens to the future messianic age, when Judah and Israel would be reunited in the land. In that age, Jerusalem will be exalted again and all nations would serve God. At that time, the symbol of God's presence, the ark of the covenant, would be irrelevant because God Himself would be present in the midst of His people.

After reading through these first six chapters, we have seen that the book of Jeremiah is an emotional, vivid journey into the hands of an angry and jealous God. Next month we will see the Lord's condemnation through Jeremiah of the corrupt rituals of the Jerusalem Temple and the breaking of the Mosaic Covenant.

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