

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved." – Romans 10:1

Using hate against Israe

As we go to press, the LA Times headline photo is of Clinton, Barak, and Arafat talking intensely. The headline below says "Clinton delays trip to push for Mideast deal." Please do not be misled. All

Clinton is doing is passing out our tax money as usual to bribe ineffective leaders like himself into posturing at peace. The following article from the June 12 U.S. News and World Report wraps up the real situation in Israel.

COLA LEVIT.

By Mortimer B. Zuckerman, Editor-in-Chief

Hope in the Middle East peace process was a good breakfast but is today a poor supper. The hope in the Oslo agreements was that a new generation of Arabs, seeing dramatic progress, would deal with the Israelis as neighbors instead of throwing rocks. Seven years later, Israel has transferred to Palestinian control virtually all of Gaza and half of the West Bank. Some 99 percent of the Palestinians live under Yasser Arafat's authority. Yet the Arabs are raising a new generation of haters whose hostility is intensified by a fanatic Islamism that has become the staple of official propaganda and popular culture. If anything, the animus toward Israel has grown deeper.

The hope was that a new armed Arab police would maintain order. Instead, they aim their rifles at Israeli soldiers. The hope was that Israel's right to exist, recognized at Oslo, would be enduring. Instead,

Monday Mornings on TBN By Mark Levitt

My father, Zola, is out of town now, but I wanted to let you know that TBN has changed our air time.

Beginning on Monday, August 7, TBN began broadcasting *Zola Levitt Presents* on Monday mornings at 8:00 AM ET, 7:00 AM CT, 6:00 AM MT and 5:00 AM PT, instead of Sundays.

Our other national broadcast time, on FAM (Fox-Family Channel), will remain unchanged on Friday mornings: 6:30 AM ET, 5:30 AM CT, 7:30/4:30 AM MT, and 6:30 AM PT. We are concerned that too few appreciate how many cities and rural areas are covered by FAM and TBN combined, so please doublecheck your TV schedules if you believe that you're unable to watch both of these networks.

I am interested in any suggestions you might have for improving our outreach. Please feel free to telephone me or write to my attention. May God bless you.

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the Palestinians chose no less than the anniversary date of the founding of the State of Israel for yet another riot. Imagine what would happen if the Israelis, who lost 1 percent of their brethren during the 1948 war of independence (the equivalent of 2 million dead in America) celebrated their day of remembrance by beating up Arabs. The hope was that the peace process, with the prospect of regaining still more land, would constrain terrorism, but it continues to be tolerated, and even encouraged, by Arafat. The hope was that the Oslo accords would engender an atmosphere of trust and compromise. Instead, the Arabs have merely deferred, but never reduced, their demands.

Arab rantings.

The Oslo agreements now have an air of falsity and deceit. How else to explain the unending litany of Arab and Palestinian hate, propagated in official newspapers and schools and from every public platform? At the end of the millennium they labeled Jews as "the disease of the century." They refer to them as "the seed of Satan." Pages could be filled with expressions of their demonization of Jews and Israel.

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More recently, the Arabs now have indulged in Holocaust denial, claiming that the mass murder of the Jews was a myth. This, very simply, is an attack on the moral foundation of Israel. These rantings intensify Arab anti-Semitism in the minds of the next generation and give fresh impetus to the next wave of terrorists who seek to destroy Israel. A recent poll, with 1,600 respondents, by an Arab political scientist, found that Arabs, by a margin of more than 4 to 1, denied the Holocaust; rejected the idea of doing business with the Israelis, even after a total peace; rejected learning about Israel; and supported the attacks by Islamic groups against Israel. No wonder the Israelis fear that words of incitement are sure to be followed by acts of belligerence.

The Clinton administration responds to the Arabs' incendiary rhetoric and treaty violations with humiliating silence. Instead of condemning the violence, and the threat of more violence, the Clinton administration uses Arab intransigence to put additional pressure on the Israelis to make even more concessions. There is not a single senior adviser to the president who argues against the pro-Arafat impulses in the administration. Ironically, they welcome to the White House and the State Department the very Arab Muslim organizations in America who support the most extreme positions against Israel.

Even when Israel was negotiating in good faith with Syria, and when the Palestinian police turned their guns against the Israelis, the Clinton administration pressured Israel to appease Arafat, instead of providing



the political and moral support that Israel needs and deserves. If there is to be a new peace agreement between the Arabs and the Jews, it must provide closure, not a cheap excuse for another round of maximum demands. It must be binding. The Palestinians must reject the notion that they can undo concessions and compromises once the balance of power changes.

The issues of Jerusalem and the Palestinian refugees cannot remain unresolved. Were all the territorial issues to be resolved, except for Jerusalem, Jerusalem itself would become the focal point for a future conflict—and a Jerusalem-centered conflict will become a religious war between the Jews and the Muslims.

The Israelis must insist on such a full agreement. They must be prepared to stand up to Arafat of necessity, and to the Clinton administration if necessary. The Israelis will have to live with the consequences of an agreement, long after the Clinton team has left the White House.





Hebraic Insight

Every story has a beginning, and with the God of Israel, the story begins with His incomprehensible glory as the Creator of the universe. Interestingly, the first letter of the Bible is a "bet," rather than an "aleph," and certain Jewish sages have puzzled over why this is the case. One sage thought that the letter "bet" connotes power and the force of air (ruach) being spoken forth; another thought that by starting with a "bet" rather than an "aleph," God was in effect revealing that man did not know the first principles about the creation; yet another thought that the aleph represents God in His unspeakable glory and life, which forever precedes all things (see Isa 44:6, cp. Rev. 22:13).

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Editorial

Anti-Semitism in the Arab Press

From Israel Today

Since the peace talks between Israel and Syria broke down, the government-controlled Syrian media have been on a tirade of anti-Israel, anti-Semitic rhetoric and propaganda, which has left many Israelis questioning what the peace process is all about. "It's hard to believe the kind of hatred the Arab press is spreading," said Foreign Minister David Levy. "Is all this talk of 'bloodthirsty Zionists' a process of reconciliation between Israelis and Arabs? What Arab would desire to make peace when his leaders compare Israelis with the Nazis?"

Anti-Semitism, Syrian Style

The Chairman of the Arab Writers Union in Syria, Dr. Ali Akleh Ursan, writes: *The greedy, racist* and hated Jew Shylock, who with the knife of hatred [a reference to a medieval legend about a Jew who murdered a Christian child and used his blood for making Passover matzah], will ambush you with his money, his modern airplanes, his missiles and nuclear bombs.

You must answer a very difficult question: Do you, Christians and Moslems, want to live, survive and put your beliefs into practice? Or are you like Abraham's sheep on the threshold of the Jewish altar, brought there to be sacrificed? You always will be Goyim [Gentiles] who are disrespected by the sons of a snake [the Jews].

Arabs sometimes say that their problem is with Zionism, not Judaism. Nevertheless, Ursan's tirade is not directed at Zionists or Israelis, but at Jews.

Zionism, Nazism and Holocaust Denial

The publisher of Syria's official daily *Tishrin*, Muhammad Kheir Al-Wadi, wrote that the Holocaust is a "myth" aimed at winning world sympathy for Israel. He went on to say that Israel has committed "worse crimes than the Nazis," and "Zionist leaders cooperated with the Nazis."

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The publisher of the Syrian paper *Al Ba'ath*, Turki Sakr, concurs: "They [the Zionists] speak of fighting the Nazi occupation of Europe and praise themselves for their resistance... but no one believes them."

Nothing New Under the Sun

Professor Rafi Yisraeli, an expert on Middle East politics at Hebrew University in Jerusalem, says Israel and Syria may be in a peace process, but nothing has changed. "There is nothing new here," he says. "What we see has been there a long time, and it's not going to change. The Jewish people fell asleep, and we are waking up only now. This anti-Semitism has always existed in the Syrian press. Egyptian and Jordanian papers are no different, even though these countries have signed peace agreements with Israel."

Yisraeli says there are three different sources of anti-Semitism in Arab countries. *First of all there is the*

> Islamic movement. Islam itself is so full of anti-Jewish views, that fundamentalist movements like Hamas and Hizbollah do not need a pretext — they only have to refer to the Koran and other writings.

> Second, there is European anti-Semitism which is exported to the Arab world. The founder of Syria's ruling Ba'ath party was actually a Christian. The leaders of radical PLO splinter groups, like George Habush and Naif Hawatme, are Christians. For

some time the Arabs have been using anti-Semitic texts such as The Protocols of the Elders of Zion, blood libels from medieval Catholicism, and white supremacist theories about Jewish control of world finances.

Yisraeli says the third point is that Arab anti-Semitism in the press is a negotiating tactic. "Whenever Israeli and Arab negotiators reach a crucial stage and the Arabs believe that they will get land in return for peace, anti-Semitic statements in the press either disappear or are less virulent. This is a tactical [maneuver]. When negotiations break down or the Israeli offer does not meet expectations, anti-Semitism increases drastically in the Arab media."





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Airing Updates

Please see Mark's article on the cover regarding TBN's new Monday morning times for Zola Levitt Presents. TBN's change has allowed KTBW-20 in Seattle to carry our program at 5:00 AM on Mondays. Why not set your VCR to record our program for more convenient viewing—and sharing with friends?

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KETH-14 San Antonio, TX WELF-23 Lookout Mountain, GA WPGD-50 Nashville, TN WTJP-60 Birmingham, AL



Follow the North Star

Why did the three wise men go to Israel in December? Because it was cooler, less crowded or cheaper? Those might have been side benefits, but what better time to visit the land where time began than when we commemorate the birth of Jesus? Both of our December tours depart on the 11th. The Deluxe Tour returns on the 21st and the Grand on the 25th. Please call Diana or Becky at (214) 696-9760, during office hours, or 1-800-WONDERS anytime. Celebrating its 17th birthday on August 20, TEI will be taking its 69th tour in December.

In Laymen's Terms

On page 10, D.A.J. asks Zola "to be more specific about the charges against the seminaries." For a concise answer to a question being asked far and wide, please go to page 10.

Online Estate Planning

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Website Upgrade

At www.levitt.com, Zola now invites you, via

Internet TV, to visit our congregation, Shalom,

Shalom and to join one of our Holy Land tours.

Whether you prefer to download the free RealAudio or QuickTime software, watching these brief greetings will prove that you're able to see our full-length TV programs, anytime, right on your computer.

Zola's Travels & Talks

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For information, call Joe Vera at 727-327-0268.

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Dear Friends,

ne of our readers recently suggested that we begin disclosing that our newsletters aren't actually free. She was surprised and disappointed that her *Levitt Letter* quit coming to her and concluded that her subscription expired for lack of any purchases or donations.

Well, our newsletters have never been "free," at least for us. Our mom-andpop printer gives us unbeatable prices, but he has to be paid every month. Nine-digit ZIP codes and bar coding minimize our postage expenses, but they still run into the thousands of dollars for every newsletter.

Unfortunately, **some of you who are blessed by Zola's** *Levitt Letters* **will suppose that unless you support this ministry, you aren't entitled to these mailings.** On the contrary, part of our obligation as a nonprofit organization that accepts tax-deductible donations is to benefit the public at large. Above and beyond that, we serve God by feeding his sheep—especially the hungriest and neediest among them.

We send newsletters to thousands of prisoners, retirees, handicapped, disabled and, less enthusiastically, viewers who added themselves to our mailing list on impulse and now fail to read one word of anything we send.

Even now, as you read these words, some *Levitt Letters* are going straight

from mailboxes to waste baskets. Others are going to vacant houses or tenants who dislike receiving their predecessor's mail. Some are even being intercepted by well-meaning family members intending to protect their relatives from "Jewish, pro-Israel mumbo-jumbo that diverts attention from the Bible."

Good stewardship requires that after more than a year of not hearing from someone, we suspend their subscription and send a letter asking if they would really like to receive more *Levitt Letters*. Several months after that, we follow up with one



more *Levitt Letter*, hoping they will notice how much they've missed us. Of course, our weekly TV programs and web page, www.levitt.com, bless people with our teaching as well, but

we want to keep all the readers we can — all of the ones who are actually reading, that is.

You might have expected "A Note

from Mark" to focus on whether this outreach is prospering, since I am the Business Manager. The answer is a resounding yes in terms of our TV audience's growth, our production of important, new television programs and our distribution of books, tapes, music, etc. Incidentally, if you did nothing but purchase a Jewish Heritage Calendar each year (or any other item), you'd never miss a *Levitt Letter*.

If you are able to support this ministry but don't, despite enjoying location TV programs and "free" newsletters, then this article may make you feel a little sheepish. Someone else's donations are paying your way, and they are bearing your burden. We realize that you may be supporting other causes that are more important to you, but if we're blessing you, then please stay aboard.

For those of you who help us to serve, this is exactly what God has commanded: "Feed my sheep," "How shall they preach except they be sent?" (Rom. 10:15 KJV). You send us to do ministry and we do it — on TV, through newsletters, teaching materials, the Internet, on Israel tours and at speaking engagements. For each of you who support us, we reach roughly one hundred others. When you consider the quality and importance of the teaching we do, there can be no better place to invest ministry tithes and offerings.

Our audited financial statements, free for the asking, show that this outreach is stable but doing all that it can with limited resources. As for the actual state of the ministry, we only wish you could see state-

> ments from heaven showing how many souls we have blessed, continue blessing and will bless right up to and through the Rapture . . .

and beyond, thanks to the anointed teaching materials we'll leave behind when we go home.

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aboard.

See your future home this Christmas! Our extended Winter Tour (December 11-25) will take you to the Shepherds' Fields of Bethlehem on

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Dear Zola and friends,

Recently, we viewed a television program presenting the extreme poverty and deplorable living conditions which the Jewish people returning to their homeland experience.

This disturbed me. We have made two trips to Israel and found it breathtakingly beautiful and as modern as any city in America.

After viewing the program, I called a friend who had just returned from Israel. Her church

"...extreme poverty and deplorable living conditions..."

had conducted a walking tour, walking ten hours each day. I asked if they had seen any poverty or homeless people. She said no. I think after walking so many hours each day, one would have covered the spectrum.

I hesitate to question the authenticity of the material on this show. We are familiar with the work done by this ministry to the Jewish people in Russia, but we cannot wholly accept what we saw on the Holy Land program.

May God continue to bless you and your work. We have learned so much from you.

M.R.

Dear M.R.,

Distortions about Israel iare normal for the secular media. You are correct, it is as beautiful and modern as our own country, but, unlike the U.S., it has no homeless people and little poverty. As to why the unbeliever invariably paints a negative picture of Israel, the bedrock reasons are spiritual. Israel is God's country and the work of His hands, and the unbeliever is implacably opposed to that.

Not all ministries that say they are helping Jewish people in Russia or Israel are doing a good job of it. We recommend Bridges for Peace because they are believers, and we know their work over many years. We do not recommend sundry Jewish and Christian fellowships, particularly not those headed by unbelievers or "liberals."

Thanks for your kind words. Please know that you will always get the truth about Israel at this address.



Dear Zola,

The enclosed copy of my letter to Bishop Paulk is self-explanatory. I truly did take great exception to the remarks made by Bishop Paulk and wanted you to

know what I said to him. Personally, I stand by the Bible and will never knowingly usurp any place that is specifically for my Jewish brothers and sisters.

I wish to take this opportunity to tell you that I enjoy very much the series you are currently airing on TBN. I have never been able to afford the journey to Israel, but your programs help me to go there vicariously! Do keep up the good work until Jesus comes!

God loves you very much!

Yours in Christ, P.W.

P.S. Have you had problems with a sluggish liver? I have been in nutrition as a student for many years, and you exhibit some of the symptoms. You may wish to consult an authority on your text trip to Israel. Personally, I do not trust American doctors or the so-called medicine they prescribe. I usually go to Dr. Jesus first!

Dear Bishop Paulk:

The purpose of this letter is to take exception to some of the "...the 144,000...not of the Jewish race of people."

remarks made by you in the sermon broadcast this date. Those remarks had to do with the 144,000 Jews mentioned in the 7th chapter of the book of Revelation.

You state that you believe the 144,000 to be Christians and gave the impression that they were not of the Jewish race of people. Now in Rev. 4, most students of the Bible believe that the Christians are Raptured at that point. According to our dear friend, Finis J. Dake, the 144,000 are definitely Jews. This is his comment:

The 144,000 are not servants when the Rapture takes place in Rev. 4:1, for all in Christ at that time will be translated (I Th. 4:16, I Cor. 15:23). They will be saved after the Rapture in the revival predicted in Acts 2:16-21. They are to be saved and become servants of God by the time they are sealed. This is why they have God's name written on them (v3; 14:1).

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I bring this to your attention as there is so much Replacement Theology rampant in the land at this time, and all of my Christian Jewish friends take great exception to this being preached. This is a stumbling block to many. I believe we should never usurp the Jews' rightful place in God's scheme of things. I take Romans 11:17-24 very seriously and attempt to always adhere to it.

I do hope this will reach your desk.

Sincerely, An 80-year-young sister in Christ! P.W.

Dear P.W.,

I'm not sure what the symptoms of a sluggish liver are, but my Bible tells me the following: "And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of **the children of Israel**" (Rev. 7:4, emphasis mine).

Zola

Brother Levitt,

I just completed your book *The Trouble with Christians, the Trouble with Jews,* and I have one question. "What's the trouble with Zola Levitt?"

"What's the trouble

with Zola Levitt?"

The extremist D.L. Moody position on Grace is a demonic delusion. How can you honestly believe that you have complete freedom to do anything? Because the Law and the Ten Commandments were done away with at Calvary? Yeshua fulfilled, magnified the Law. His ministry taught us that murder was not only the taking of another's life, but wishing harm on a fellow brother. He also said that our righteousness must be like that of the Pharisees.

With regards to your family business, just how much ministry money goes to providing your son with a wage/benefits package? Why not let him grow up and fend for himself? Let him have the experience of getting a job on his own merits and not nepotism.

I know you won't be replying to this letter vis-à-vis some rationalization that maintains your ego structure, but Calvinists are very hard to bring to the truth and true freedom.

Sincerely, I.M.K., BS, MBA Dear I.M.K., BS, MBA,

The idea that a Christian has complete freedom to do anything was not original with me or with Moody. God said it first in 1 Corinthians 10:23 that we can do anything, but that doesn't mean it's good for us or others. The Christian does not tend to "do anything" because he is guided by the example and the teachings of our Lord. But he is completely free of all law.

Incidentally, the Lord said our righteousness should **exceed** that of the Pharisees (Matt. 5:20).

We have no "family business," but each of us does God's calling. All of our ministry workers have a nominal wage/benefits package, including Mark. As far as fending

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for himself, this particular youngster saved up thousands of dollars mowing lawns as a high schooler and paid for his own college education (in business administration). A tall, strong boy, he could mow 10 yards on a 100° Dallas day. It was not nepotism but God's will that

this good steward look after our ministry's business affairs. So far as his growing up, he's 40, so we'll have to take what we have.



I'm not exactly sure what a Calvinist is, but I don't think I am one.

Zola

Dear Zola,

Thank you for keeping us up-to-date on the decline of what were once our strongholds of Christian truth. How sad, but we do need to keep our heads up regarding these false teachings.

Thank you, too, for keeping us informed on the Middle East. The whole situation seems very touchy.

I thought you might be interested in a quote I saw in Chuck Missler's magazine, *Personal Update:*

An elderly American Indian was overheard in a discussion about federal policy; he was quoted as saying, "Let me tell you more about land for peace..."

Yours truly, J.B.

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LEETTERS TO ZOLA CONT. FROM PG. 7

Dear Zola,

I so look forward to each publication from you and am truly thankful that you continue to speak the truth regardless of the opposition. I guess, at this point, you need to keep our Lord's words in mind when He said "they hated Me first." Sometimes it's very lonely out here, but I just grab His hand and keep on going. My heartfelt thanks to you and your staff. G.T.

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Email sent to Cornerstone Television:

Watching your regular shows are always uplifting, but when it comes to Zola Levitt and his guests, it becomes evident to me that some who call themselves Christians are so pathetic and full of hate toward others that it makes me and, no doubt, others puke from disgust. As a Christian,

we must be full of love towards others and not spread hate and malicious lies and stupidity like Zola and his guests do towards other ethnic groups and religious organizations. No doubt, Zola is not a Christian but is pretending to be one solely for spreading propaganda and hate. Zola must be presenting other Christian values unfit for our moral commitment to God. I will refuse to allow my children to listen to any of his disgusting comments about other people because no good Christian American stoops so low to such a level bordering on hate and giving Christianity a bad name. Thank you, M.J.O.

Dear Zola,

On your program today, you told how the news media ignores Israel so much. I have noticed something else along that line. I have been skimming the travel section of our local newspaper for years here in Arizona. Not once have I ever seen a trip to Israel advertised among all the ads for tours and trips, among all the cities mentioned all over the world. Why do you suppose that is? Not that I would choose a non-Christian tour plan. But I just thought that went along with the ignoring of Israel factor. L.W.

Dear L.W., I think the reason is that there is little interest in the Holy Land on the part of unbelievers. They've been raised to think that Europe, especially Italy and Greece, are their real heritage instead of Israel. A tour of Israel requires faith. Unbelievers are invariably bored with the place, but believers are totally overwhelmed by it. The lack of advertising is not so much bias, but an expression of the unbeliever's true love, cash. — Zola

Dear Brothers or Sisters,

I am writing in response to an overwhelming burden placed upon my heart by our Lord on July 5, 2000, for Israel. As most of you are aware, the Word of God proclaims that all nations shall turn against Israel and Jerusalem. Our own nation is putting pressure on them in the form of withholding money. I found even my own Methodist organization was calling for sanctions against Israel if they refused to bend to the will of the UN and our government.

The question I have for you is simple. Do the Christians of this country have a way to tithe and bless (by offerings of money) directly to Israel? We are not a nation (individually speaking) but as believers we know we will be blessed by blessing Israel. It will also make a strong, strong statement to our own government that we do not support their current policy towards Israel and Jerusalem.

I will be withdrawing my financial support from the United Methodist Church until they change their position on this matter. I intend to speak out on this issue to other Christians in my (very limited) sphere of influence. I can only hope you will pray about this issue of tithing directly to Israel and hear from our Lord the direction and purpose He has for us in this time. The Lord has burdened me to burden you. Get near to Him and ask of the Lord.

Please add the address and information that will be required to send tithes and offerings to Israel directly on your website, radio, TV, and local ministries. Sending them directly will keep our government from interfering. Some brother in Christ must know how or whom to contact to set this up with Israel.

May God keep and bless us all.

Thank you, your brother in Christ,

B.B.



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NOTE FROM ZOLA CONT. FROM PG. 5

Christmas

Dear B.B.,

Blessing Israel directly by donations is Biblical and commendable (Rom. 15:25-27). We do it liberally by taking tours and by planting trees. We also donate money to Bridges for Peace, a Christian mission in Jerusalem which assists immigrants to the land. Other possibilities are the Ebenezer Emergency Fund, which rescues Russian Jews and ships them to Israel, and the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem, which witnesses to the Jewish population at large. You will find their addresses below.

You will see in my answer to the above letter reasons for the animosity of the United Methodist Church to the Promised Land. By and large, this is a liberal denomination which quit studying the Bible long ago and lost any love for the Chosen People and their land in the process. They have supported the Palestinians from the beginning of the conflict. They are unaware that their tithes buy weapons and support terrorism.

I would be remiss not to mention that the same general position on Israel is held by the Catholic, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, and Lutheran denominations for the same reasons.

Bridges for Peace, PO Box 1093, Jerusalem, ISRAEL

Ebenezer Emergency Fund, PO Box 26 Point Harbor, NC 27964

The International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem PO Box 1192, Jerusalem, 91010 ISRAEL



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Dear Zola,

I watched your programs on the arising apostasy in some "Christian" colleges. I agree with you. But, may I make a suggestion?

The Bible clearly tells us that there will be a falling away from the faith in the last days. We have seen this apostasy spreading for many years now. Jesus asked the rhetorical question, "Shall I find faith when I return?" The implication clearly is that He will find very little.

So, what's my point? First of all, it's this: What we are seeing is simply Bible prophecy coming to pass. I must ask the question, "Why are we Christians who know something about last day's events so upset when we see them happening?" Granted, it's good — very good — to let the unlearned Christian world know about places that no longer honor God as they should. But, in my opinion, there is something vital that is missing in our warnings. And that brings me to my second point.



Zola's Son and Business Manager

Eve to worship our Lord at the place of His birth, and then have you home on Christmas Day. You will tour Israel with our Deluxe Tour (December 11-21) before traveling down to the southernmost point of Israel on the Red Sea to stay in a luxurious hotel in the resort city of Eilat. From there you will go to Petra, Jordan, the ancient, magnificent Nabatean city carved directly out of the rose-red mountains. It is strongly believed that the Children of Israel were led by Moses through this magnificent creation.

Our Deluxe Tour will visit all the major Biblical sites, as we always do. You will stand on the Mt. of Beatitudes, and you can be baptized in the Jordan River just as our Lord was. You will see Mt. Carmel, Megiddo, Nazareth, the Western Wall, the Mt. of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Upper Room, the Garden Tomb, Masada, and the Dead Sea. You will also tour the beautiful Golan Heights and thoroughly explore the Old City of Jerusalem. See the original Dead Sea Scrolls, as well as the caves of Qumran, where they were found. Visit the haunting Yad Vashem, the Holocaust museum and memorial to the more than six million Jews who were slaughtered for their faith. Shop the marketplaces of Israel, eat deliciously hearty Israeli meals, and see the lush fields grown from the barren desert of the Holy Land. Call Diana or Becky at 214-696-9760 during office hours for more information, or call 1-800-WONDERS any time for a full-color brochure.

We have an exciting new television series beginning in September, "The Feasts of the Lord." The feasts, as given to Moses on Mount Sinai, comprise one of the most fascinating and important Bible studies. Since knowledge of these feasts seems to repose mainly with Jewish people, whether Messianic or other, we wanted to acquaint our large audience with this information. Few churches or seminaries teach what we take up in this series.

In His service,

Mark Levitt

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When telling the unlearned, as well as the lackadaisical, Christians about current Bible prophecy fulfillment, also tell them about the trend. Whet their appetites to read their Bibles more, to witness more, to give more to God's work, to live for God more. Let them know that time is short and that the future is bright for them if they are truly saved. Let them know that time is short if they are going to do anything for God. And let them know that, if they are planning to lay up any treasures in heaven, now is the time to get started. I think that what I am really saying is that current Bible

prophecy fulfillment might be just the thing that is needed to start a revival IF IT IS PRESENTED POSITIVELY! Amen?

"What we are seeing is simply Bible prophecy coming to pass."

God bless, D.M.

Dear D.M.,

Prophecy teaches that weak Christians like sacramentalists or liberals will certainly fall away, as you point out. But there is nothing to indicate that the very top of the evangelical leadership will succumb to un-Biblical teachings. For the leadership of Moody Bible Institute, Dallas Theological Seminary, and the rest to turn their backs on Israel at just the time when God is moving so strongly there is the shocker. To me, that is a total surprise, not anticipated in prophecy, and it needs a bright light so that all can see it happen. And I really don't know how to present those facts "positively."

Zola



Dear Zola,

I have been watching your show and receiving your mail for many years now. I trust what you say and would like you to be more specific about the charges against the seminaries, Moody in particular. Are they saying that the present return of the people of Israel has no significance in prophecy? Or that there may be another exile and another return? Specifically, what is the problem here in laymen's terms?

Your brother in the Lord, D.A.J.

Yes, they are saying that the present return of the people of Israel has no significance in prophecy. And yes, some professors maintain that there may be another exile, despite Amos 9:14-15, which guarantees that the Chosen People will not be moved again. In laymen's terms, the problem is that there is a massive shift of focus in Christendom away from Israel and the Kingdom to come, and instead, an emphasis on the American church as if (wink, wink) we should all know it has replaced Israel. In simplest words, the problem is that, if the Rapture came now, it would totally surprise much of the student bodies of Moody Bible Institute and Dallas Seminary. They would proceed to a kingdom in a country, Israel, they heard little of despite their seminary education. I can't tell you how ironic it is that these major seminaries would turn away from what they were teaching Biblically only 20 or 30 years ago at just the time it is most crucial to understand it. We have waited nearly 2,000 years to see God's people restored to their Promised Land, and now, when it actually happens, our future leaders are systematically taught to ignore it. Progressive Dispen-

sationalism is just one of the doctrines that facilitates this tremendous error.

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Recently, I visited friends who have a ranch and keep donkeys. I knew little about this quiet but hardworking animal, and was amazed to see that each one has a cross clearly marked on its back. Since it was a donkey that our Lord rode into Jerusalem on the day that He came as King, I was very struck by this. "The lowest of the lowly" carried the "Highest of the High." Our hosts supplied the following poem.

The Donkey

By Gilbert Keith Chesterton

When fishes flew and forests walked And figs grew upon thorn, Some moment when the moon was blood Then surely I was born; With monstrous head and sickening cry And ears like errant wings, The devil's walking parody On all four-footed things. The tattered outlaw of the earth, Of ancient crooked will: Starve, scourge, deride me: I am dumb, I keep my secret still. Alas! For I also had my hour; One far fierce hour and sweet: There was a shout about my ears, And palms before my feet.

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