

# What's Going to Be Happening in 2015?

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Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services. Everyone wants to know what's going to happen in the new year. Today's the first Sabbath of the new year for us, according to the Roman calendar.

Most people in the world have never even heard of the Hebrew calendar, though they may have heard of the Sabbath and maybe a few have heard of the Holy Days, they don't know very much about them. As a matter of fact, even those who do surveys of the Sunday-keeping Christian churches say that people know less and less concerning the Bible than ever before. To be a Christian can get you in trouble now.

I remember when we first went out and were pastoring up there in Boise, Idaho, we would look at the Scriptures. Where the Scripture says, 'The time is coming when those who kill you will think that they are doing service to God.' Of course, we believed that, but that was so remote. Now it's a reality.

Just one little thing I want to bring up. We will see something concerning the martyrs who are killed because they profess Jesus, believe in Jesus.

Concerning the woman, Revelation 17:5: "And across her forehead a name *was* written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT..." ... [that is the mystery of iniquity] ...THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus..." (vs 5-6). There are two categories of people who die or are martyred for Jesus:

1. those who are the saints; those who are converted, have God's Holy Spirit and they are martyred because of that.
2. the martyrs for Jesus are those who profess Him, but have not received the Holy Spirit and the baptism for eternal life

God will remember them when the second resurrection comes. A lot of people say, 'What's going to happen to people who never heard of Jesus? What's going to happen to them who heard of Jesus, but really never understood what they should do?' That's why there is in the Bible the *second resurrection*.

Some people get all excited and say, 'Oh, nobody gets a second chance.' The problem is most people never had a first chance. So, in order to give them a first chance, they must have a second life in the flesh. We know that's pictured by the Last Great Day. There are two categories of the martyrs:

- there are those who profess Christianity, who are against Christ

Those are the ones today who are trying to bring about the one-world religion.

- there are those who profess Christ and are *for* Him, *but do not obey Him* so that they can receive the Holy Spirit of God

Most people don't understand that, so this becomes a great mystery to them.

Now here's an example: Here is a minister in a Protestant church who was disfellowshipped for taking a stance against same-sex marriage. Will he go far enough to understand more Truth, because it's all in the Bible?

Let's look at it this way, too, as we discussed before. There are more Bibles in the world and there is a potential of billions of digital Bibles that can be had on hand-held devices. When God says He's going to give a witness to all nations before Christ comes, He is going to make it possible. He is going to cause it to be! Let's hope that they will come to understand more about God's way.

Then here's what's going on in the schools, in addition to brainwashing them and graduating them with nothing between their ears except a skull full of mush and learning how to do twitters with 44 characters so that they are counted as smart, because they can do that:

## Gender inclusive' school district says drop 'boys and girls,' call kids 'purple penguins'

by Todd Starnes, Oct. 9, 2014  
(foxnews.com/opinion/2014/10/09/gender-inclusive-school-district-says-drop-boys-and-girls-call-kids-purple/)

As we go through all of this think about what would have to happen in order for there to be a delay in the final events at the end. There's a lot that has to happen:

- education
- government
- Christianity
- religions of the world

Then we have the problem with the current administration and Israel. What's going to happen there?

Let's look at some other things. More and more your Christian faith could cost you your job. Here's a long article on that.

You wonder what's happening in the government that most people don't know anything

about? Let me just read you a little bit here. Did you know that we now have a Muslim government?

[Obama Government is Filled with Muslims and Muslim Sympathizers! Read and share and Let the People Know](http://john-gaultier.blogspot.com/2014/12/obama-government-is-filled-with-muslims.html) (john-gaultier.blogspot.com/2014/12/obama-government-is-filled-with-muslims.html)

John Brennan, current head of the CIA converted to Islam while stationed in Saudi Arabia.

Obama's top advisor, Valerie Jarrett, is a Muslim who was born in Iran where her parents still live.

Hillary Clinton's top adviser Huma Abedin is a Muslim, whose mother and brother are involved in the now outlawed "Muslim Brotherhood" in Egypt.

Assistant Secretary for Policy Development for Homeland Security Arif Aikhan is a Muslim.

Homeland Security Adviser Mohammed Elibiary is a Muslim.

Obama adviser and founder of the Muslim Public Affairs Council Salam al-Marayati is a Muslim.

Obama's Sharia Czar Imam Mohamed Magid... [he opened in prayer at the House of Representatives] ...of the Islamic Society of North America is a Muslim.

Advisory Council on Faith-Based Neighborhood Partnerships Eboo Patel is a Muslim.

And last, but not least, our closet Muslim himself...

I'll let you figure that one out.

Then here is quite an article written by Allen West. You've seen him on television. Here is a black man, well educated, who explains the difficulties of the blacks. I'll put the link in my January letter where you can go download it. It is very devastating.

Everybody's feeling this, the destruction of the middle class. *Happening!* ISIS is closing in on Israel from the north and the south. You have to watch ISIS. Then we have the Islamization of American public school children. Yes, you can bring a Koran to class but not the Bible. You add all that up and you think about some of these things.

- What is going to happen with ISIS, with Iran, with the whole Middle East? *The whole Middle East is in turmoil!*

- What's going to happen to the Jews in Jerusalem?
- How would you like to live in Jerusalem with all your enemies, fierce haters of you?
- What's going to happen to the United States of America?

A lot of people think maybe there will be a reprieve with the Republicans coming in. That may be a possibility. But they can't understand all the crime. They don't know how to solve the problems of the disintegration of the family, out-of-wedlock children, drugs, sickness, disease and all of the immigrants coming in.

Just in California Jerry Brown stood up—Mr. Moonbeam is his nickname—and proudly said that we are now granting drivers' licenses to all immigrants, legal and illegal. 'Oh, but they can't use it for government identification.' Mm-hmm!

What's going on? Will there be a turn of faith in America? *There are some Protestant ministers who think that they can turn it around!* However, as we're going to see, it can't be turn around unless there is a vast change in the whole society.

There may be a little change here; there may be a little change there. But let's look and see what God says. Let's come to Hosea 4 so that we can understand what is really happening. We know that we are the modern-day descendants of the ten tribes of Israel.

Here's what the problem is. Remember last week I said that God judges by what we think as well as our actions. As we go through and read these things I want you to sort of in your own mind think about what would have to happen.

Sidebar: We're going to talk about children. I want you to watch the ads on television, how many of them are becoming much more occult. How many have seen the ad where they are in this museum and this one Oriental woman looks down and there's a big frog. The frog starts jumping away and she follows it. She comes into this room where there are all of these creatures. All of a sudden she releases power out of her hand and kills them. **Witchcraft!**

There's a new movie coming out by Disney. Oh yes, Disney for our wonderful children, to bring them into occultism and witchcraft from a very early age. It's now a new magic witch show. It shows this little girl talking to this creature. Then all of a sudden here comes a ghost and goes right through her body. She turns around and looks at it and talks to it. Think of what impression that's going to make on young minds!

Without fathers in the household and especially the black community is the highest

percentage of fathers who are not there. That's because the mothers don't want them there because they can't get their welfare checks if there is the father there. The fathers are perfectly happy to not have any responsibility.

*Think* about what's going on! *Think* about what it's like with children! They have all these video games and things that they can get into. They have television, the iPhones and portable phones and portable television pads. You don't even have to be hooked up to cable television anymore. You can just buy an iPhone 6 or you can buy one of the other upgraded ones and it's directly linked, satellite, to television.

Let's see what God says here, what His controversy is, and this tells us how great the problem is and how much it would take to change it.

Hosea 4:1: "Hear the Word of the LORD, children of Israel... [that's all the ten tribes and the Jews] ...for the LORD *has* a controversy with the inhabitants of the land..."

Let's stop here for just a minute. Do the politicians want to say, 'Well, there's global warming because of all of the emissions that we are sending out.' That may be partially true, but the problems in the environment are not because of automobiles, it's because of the general level of *sin* among the people.

There are a lot of people out there who you could say are good upstanding people. They believe in telling the truth, except when it's not convenient. They believe in the family, if they want to stay married. They are not committing any crimes. They are out there getting all their sales. They are saving money, which is good. But ***they're all breaking the Sabbath and they are all cut off from God!***

Then you look at the criminal element that is there, that operates after sundown, most of the time: drugs, crime, murder, stealing and things like this. Keep all of that in mind as we read this here. He has a controversy with the President of the United States. Get rid of him. No, the Congress, we'll vote them all out. No,

"...the inhabitants of the land, 'There is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land'" (v 1).

Remember as we have said, all of God's laws operate automatically, just like the law of gravity. Unless someone does something very severe, they're not aware of it, because the society has been set up on the basis of sin.

Verse 2: "By swearing, and lying, and killing... [include all kinds of killing] ...and stealing... [include all the bankers, all of the petty

thieves] ...and the committing of adultery..."—which is broadcast on virtually every one of the main television channels, with various things of adultery. Adultery then, from the law 'Don't commit adultery,' comes all the other sex laws against homosexuality, etc

"...they break out; and blood touches blood. Therefore, shall the land mourn..." (vs 2-3). Have we had drought? *Yes, indeed!* Have there been floods? *Yes, indeed!* Hurricanes? Tornados? Just wait until Wyoming's Yellowstone National Park. It's sitting on one of the biggest calderas in the flood and the magma is only 1500 feet below. Sometimes it comes up so high that the lakes even warm and kill the trees and grass. If that blows—and it will. How many remember Mt. St. Helens?

I just happened to go up to Portland four days after Mt. St. Helens, and there was all of this gray ash everywhere. People had to really clean it up. If anyone was driving their cars and they got too much in it and they couldn't filter it out with the filter for the carburetor, their engines suffered from it. That was quite a thing. Picture that by about times fifty, a hundred. The caldera is 40 miles across. ***The land mourns!***

"...and everyone who dwells in it shall languish..." (v 3). Consider all the disease. Consider all the things that people have.

"...with the beasts of the field and with the birds of the heavens. Yes, the fish of the sea shall also be taken away" (v 3). There are less and less fish in the ocean while there are more and more people, and greater and greater means of catching the fish.

If you don't have a fishing boat, if you're a fisherman, that has the underwater radar and sonar to check where the schools of fish are, you're not going to get anything.

Verse 4: "Yet, let no man strive, nor reprove another, for your people *are* as those who strive with the priest. And you shall stumble in the day, and the prophet also shall stumble with you *in the* night, and I will destroy your mother.... [that probably means their government] ...My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...." (vs 4-6). What is the greatest knowledge they need?

- the knowledge of God,
- the knowledge of His truth,
- the knowledge of His laws.
- the knowledge of His plan

"...Because you have rejected knowledge..."—the knowledge of God. What's been the greatest campaign going on for about three decades now? ***Getting rid of God!*** First in the

schools so the little children know nothing about God. Then teach them dumb-down things so they don't know anything.

“...I will also reject you from being a priest to Me. Since you have forgotten the law of your God, I will also forget your children.... [that's exactly where it is today] ...As they were increased, so they sinned against Me. I will change their glory into shame” (vs 6-7). Is that happening today? Step by step by step. *Yes, indeed!*

Verse 8: “They eat up the sin of My people, and they set their heart on their iniquity. And it has become, like people, like priest; and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them for their doings, for they shall eat and not have enough... [they all get fat too doing it] ...They shall commit whoredom and not increase because they have stopped taking heed to the LORD. Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart” (vs 8-11).

Then they want to know, ‘What's wrong?’ Verse 12: “My people seek advice from their wooden *idols*, and their rod declares to them, for the spirit of whoredoms has caused them to go astray, and they have gone a whoring away from under their God.”

There are many other Scriptures we can read. Let's see what they have done. It's right in the pulpit. In Jeremiah's day it was the temple; it was the priesthood.

Ezekiel 8:12: “And He said to me, ‘Son of man, have you seen what the elders of the house of Israel do in the dark...’” That's all the leaders of the country. Have you heard of their secret societies, their Masonic lodges, etc.

“...each man in his room of idols? For they are saying, ‘The LORD does not see us; the LORD has forsaken the earth.’” He also said to me, ‘You shall see greater abominations that they are committing.’ And He brought me to the opening of the gate of the LORD'S house, toward the north. And behold, women were sitting there weeping for Tammuz” (vs 8-14).

That's going to happen in March and April when there is the Good Friday. Have you ever wondered why a Friday night they cry all night till midnight, and then all of a sudden they start singing joyful songs? Because that's for Tammuz, but they just changed the name to Jesus. Then they have a midnight Mass and they proclaim, ‘He's risen.’ It has nothing to do with when Jesus rose from the dead.

Verse 15: “And He said to me, ‘Have you seen this, O son of man? You shall see greater abominations than these.’ And He brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and behold, at

the opening of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar... [about as close to God as you can get] ...were about twenty-five men with their backs toward the temple of the LORD and their faces toward the east; and they worshiped the sun toward the east” (vs 15-16)—Sunday services!

Verse 17: “And He said to me, ‘Have you seen, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they do the hateful things which they do here? For they have filled the land with violence... [spiritual sins bring violence] ...and have turned to provoke Me to anger still more. And lo, they put the branch to their nose. Therefore, I will also deal with fury; My eye shall not spare, nor will I have pity. And though they cry in My ears *with a loud voice, I will not hear them*” (vs 17-18).

You never, never want to get to a point where God will not hear you. What is the branch? *The branch is symbolic of Nimrod and the Babylonian mysteries.*

Today, since everyone wants it fast, summarized, short and sweet, if you hand them a book like *The Two Babylons*, and tell them they must read every page of this in order to understand what's gone wrong in the world in religion and in Christianity. ‘Unless you do, you'll never understand it.’

Now let's see some things concerning the world. What does God tell us to do? Let's come here to Rev. 11. Let's see what the world is like. Let's see how God prophesied it would be. It's really quite a thing out there.

I got an e-mail about a prayer for opening of a city council meeting somewhere in Florida. It was a prayer to Zeus and mother earth *and* Jesus. Remember, there's a false Jesus.

What does it tell us here in this one important verse? *It's talking about the two witnesses when they finally die, are finally killed!* That's another whole topic. We won't get into that.

Revelation 11:8: “And their bodies *will lie* in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt...” Sodom pictures the sexual morays of the world.

Remember when we played *The Secrets of the Vatican?* ([pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/secrets-of-the-vatican/](http://pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/secrets-of-the-vatican/)) It showed this priest who had homosexual relationships all night. Got up Sunday morning, dressed up, put on his garb, and began the ritual of the Mass. *Sodom!*

“...and Egypt...” *Egypt is the cesspool of all false religions of the world!* They come from Babylon and they are refined and re-made in Egypt.

“...where also our Lord was crucified” (v 8). That's the city of Jerusalem, viewed from heaven. When God looks down on the earth He sees things entirely differently than we do. What does God tell us to do living in this world? *Rev. 18!* Our minds are assaulted by a lot of things from this Babylon the Great.

Revelation 18:3: “Because all nations...” It shows that what is referred to as the city of Babylon means all the nations of the world at the end-time.

I saw a news clip about what happened in China and a certain number of people died. It was just like in America. They had all kinds of ambulances and cars and people and fire trucks, buildings, and everything like that. It's all built on the Babylonian system.

Verse 3: ““Because all nations have drunk of the wine of the fury of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her...” Work out their deals, political thing. Did you know that the foreign minister of Iran was at the Vatican and met with the pope recently and that they have Muslim prayers that they say periodically in St. Peter's Basilica.

“...and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the power of her luxury” (v 3). Where do all the holidays come from? Isn't that when they make most of their money? *Yes, indeed!*

Here's God's advice, v 4: “And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, ‘Come out of her, My people...’” That applies two things:

1. to the modern descendants of the children of Israel

But because they're not doing it, it's called the new business path that they made when they had the G-20 meetings in Australia this year, which if it is passed by Congress that corporations can challenge American laws in International Court to overturn them. Think of that!

This brings to my mind incrementalism: *a little here, a little there!* And then operate over here; no one knows it. Then a little bit over here and then have meetings and bring them all together. ‘Oh, what a wonderful thing we're going to have.’

2. those of us in the Church

“...‘Come out of her, My people, so that you do not take part in her sins, and that you do not receive of her plagues’” (v 4).

Let's see the incrementalism of sin that James explains. This was without the days of television and video games and all of that sort of thing.

You've heard me say it over and over again, but it just blows me away. Here's this ad to help you stop smoking with Chantix. It shows this man or this woman, which ever ad they run, and how that helped them to quit smoking. But all the side effects of it. All a person has to do to quit smoking is say, ‘I'm going to quit,’ and make up your mind you can quit. But the ad says you have to be careful of thinning blood, strokes, so many I can't remember them. Isn't that something? I think it would be interesting if someone could do some recording and record the ads. Then have all of the side effects typed out, separate from the ads. Then read those. There's even one which says, ‘You may even have suicidal thoughts, but it's good for you.’ Here's incrementalism!

It talks about asking for wisdom and faith from God. James 1:5: “However, if anyone lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, Who gives to everyone freely and does not reproach *the one who asks*; and it shall be given to him. But let him ask in faith...” (vs 5-6). ***You've got to believe God!***

That's why it's so important you understand that God is Creator of heaven and earth and He made everything that there is. The further you look out into the heavens the more awesome it becomes. The further that they go down into the material world and material things the more it is amazing and really difficult to understand that there's so much there.

You ask in faith and He will give. “...not doubting, at all because the one who doubts is like a wave of *the sea* that is driven by the wind and tossed *to and fro*” (v 6). You don't even have to go out to the ocean to understand that about water.

Take and fill up a container, close to the top, not too deep and then start walking with it. First thing's going to happen, the water is going to juggle and spill.

Verse 7: “Do not let that man expect that he will receive anything from the Lord. *He is* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways” (vs 7-8).

It's just like one man said a long time ago. There are people, even in the Church of God, that have one foot in the Church of God and one foot in the world so that they can receive the blessings of God—because they have one foot in the Church—and they can get along with the world real nicely because they have one foot in the world.

If you picture that person standing over a crevice of an earthquake, whether it's coming apart slowly or all of a sudden. That tells you what's going to happen with double-minded people. It's going to come upon them.

Verse 13: “Do not let anyone who is tempted say, ‘I am being tempted by God...’” God does not

tempt you. What does God do? He sets before you choices and you have to choose: good/evil, righteousness/sin, etc.

“...because God is not tempted by evil, and He Himself tempts no one *with* evil” (v 13). The choices are set there. You have to make up your mind and choose what is right and resist the sin and don't let it creep in upon you. Let's see how this works:

Verse 14: “But each one is tempted when he is drawn away and is enticed by his own lust” (v 14). You desire something that you think if you put enough effort into it, it will work out and be all right, even though you've got doubts in your mind. The doubts in your mind tells you that God is giving you something to think about it, but you've got to focus on that instead of what you want.

“...tempted when he is drawn away... [from God's way] ...and is enticed by his own lust” (v 14). That's what happened to Eve. The serpent said, ‘Why would God want to deprive you of something so nice? Look at how good that is. Think of the benefits you're going to get from it.’ She looked at it and said, ‘Maybe he's right. That's beautiful; Adam, look how good it is.’

Then the next step, incrementalism, v 15: “And after lust has conceived... [‘Here, Adam, I picked the fruit and ate it and it was good.’] ...it gives birth to sin...” There's a progression of it.

Today, what do we have? We have many things that just pop in; split second in an ad, split second in a movie. All of sudden it's there.

To show you how good those work, I'll tell you what I had to do. There's this one ad where it shows this young man and he saw the Santa Claus. He helped the Santa Claus go home, take him up in this tower where the Santa Claus was and he got the Santa Claus' hat and sewed it up. But it starts out with the song, ‘Better watch out, Santa Claus is coming...’

Every time that comes on I hit the mute button right away because I didn't do it for a couple of times and then for three days I had that stupid song running around in my brain. We have some very dangerous things. So. you have to stop and ask: When Jesus returns and sets up the government on the earth, will that song still be around? *No!*

The long and short of it is: Santa Claus is likened to Jesus. He knows when you're sleeping. He knows when you are awake. He knows when you do good. He knows when you do bad. So this young man, because he sewed up Santa's hat, Santa brought him an Infinity G-45 (car). *Fantasy world!*

Think about all of the other ads. Think about all the programs with all the killing and all the

murdering, all the lying, all the cheating. Watch *Forensic Files* and *American Greed*.

There's a new one out, *Lost History of America*: stolen art work, stolen histories. Then add onto that all the drugs and everything.

Verse 15: “And after lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is completely finished, brings forth death. Do not deceive yourselves, my beloved brethren. Every good act of giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no variation, nor shadow of turning. According to His own will, He begat us by *the* Word of Truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all His created beings” (vs 15-18).

God has a plan that is so great, He wants us to be able to put these things out of our minds and out of our hearts.

Before the invention of television and all of this, the people didn't have the temptations exactly like we do today. It was more like in the western movies. You got a bar and a brothel, but you had to go there. That's why a lot of the cowboys stayed out on the range.

Verse 27: “Pure and undefiled religion before God and *the* Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their afflictions, **and to keep oneself unspotted from the world**”—is the challenge for all of us today, because the world is invited right into our homes with the flick of a switch.

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Let's talk a little bit about will there be kind of a reprieve or a let-up in the intensity of the evil. Let's talk about that first. You know how you go over things or you read it over again many times and then all of a sudden when you listen to it, it gives you a little different perspective.

That happened to me. I was listening to the Revelation recording and in chapter ten it talks about the angel said that ‘there will be no more delay.’ So, that tells me that God has delayed things; otherwise, why would He say there would be no more delay. And how long have I been preaching? *Fifty years!*

So, there could be a reprieve. Why? *Because the only place the Gospel is being preached is from the United States of America*, not any place else. Maybe a itty bit in the U.K. Maybe a little more in Australia, but it's not coming from any Muslim nation. It's not coming from Russia. It's not coming from China or South America or the Pacific Islands or Japan. The only place is America.

If there's a reprieve it's because the Gospel has to be preached in a greater way, especially with all the things that are going to take place in the

world and what's going to happen to America in particular.

Remember this: *Before disaster God always gives an opportunity for repentance and a way out to delay it!* Remember what happened during the days of Josiah, how he repented and made all of Judah adhere to the laws of God. It was said of him that as long as he was king God would not bring the destruction of Jerusalem.

That could have gone on for a long time, but when he was 29-years-old his vanity got the best of him. He was told not to go out and fight, that it wasn't his fight. Even the king of Egypt said, 'What are you coming out here to fight?' The message came back to him, 'Don't come out here and fight. It's not between you and me.'

What did he do? He said, 'I want to get out there and fight,' so he disguised himself and went out in an ordinary chariot. An arrow found him! They took him back to Jerusalem and he died. That's when Jeremiah the prophet gave the lamentations that is called the book of Lamentations. If you want a very baleful book to read and also a forecast of what's going to happen here, read the book of Lamentations.

Jeremiah 17:19: "Thus the LORD said to me, 'Go and stand in the gates of the children of the people, by which the kings of Judah come in, and by which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem.'" So, he went from gate to gate to tell this.

Verse 20: "And say to them, 'Hear the Word of the LORD... [we're going to have to have messages out there to hear the Word of the Lord] ...kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the people of Jerusalem who enter in by these gates!' Thus says the LORD, 'Take heed to yourselves..." (vs 20-21). That means in everything that you do. But in this particular case, it has to do with the Sabbath.

"...and carry no burden on the Sabbath Day, nor bring *it* in by gates of Jerusalem. Nor carry out a burden from your houses on the Sabbath Day, nor do any work, but keep the Sabbath Day Holy, as I commanded your fathers" (vs 21-22). We're going to have to preach that same thing here.

- You don't like what's going on?
- What are you willing to do?
- What are you willing to change?
- You say you believe in God, all right, let's have a test.
- You say you believe in the Ten Commandments; read the fourth one.
- Are you willing to do this starting in your own home?

You don't have to go to church, start in your own home and keep the Sabbath.

"...keep the Sabbath Day Holy, as I commanded your fathers. **But they did not obey, nor inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff,** so that they might not hear nor receive instruction" (vs 22-23).

God continues, even though they didn't; He said, 'All right, let Me talk to you a little more,' v 24: "And it shall be, if you diligently hearken to Me," says the LORD..." What is the key in the Bible? **Obey My voice!** Three key words. We have all of God's Word written down for us so if we want to know what God has said, and in our case would say to us, He's got it written down so He doesn't have to repeat it to every generation.

Verse 24: "And it shall be, if you diligently hearken to Me," says the LORD, 'to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the Sabbath day, but keep the Sabbath day Holy, to do no work in it; then kings and rulers sitting on the throne of David..." It's the people and the leaders. You can't blame the leaders, especially in America, because the people elect them. *Because they've sinned*, now we've got a fourth branch of government that operates almost independently: bureaucracies, no control over them.

Think about this standing right at the capitol building and proclaiming this: Everyone in Washington, D.C.. listen up!

Verse 25: "Then kings and rulers sitting on the throne of David shall enter into the gates of this city, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their rulers, the men of Judah, and the people of Jerusalem. And this city shall remain forever."

God said, 'I'm not going to destroy it. I told you I would destroy it, however—**if** you change, **if** you listen to Me—I won't destroy it.' So there would be a reprieve. But the next generation would come along and go back into the same sins again.

Verse 26: "And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south, bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and grain offerings, and incense, and bringing sacrifices of praise to the house of the LORD." That today would be prayers, studies. Activities, to learn the Word of God, etc.

Verse 27: "But if you will not hearken to me... [God always gives the choice] ...to keep the Sabbath Day Holy, and not to carry a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the Sabbath day; then I will kindle a fire in its gates, and it will

devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it will not be put out.”

That's a warning to all the people. Now here's a special warning to the priests and to the princes or the elders:

Jeremiah 19:1: “Thus says the LORD... [these are messages that need to go out in the Gospel] ...‘Go and get a potter's earthen jar, and assemble some of the elders of the people and of the elders of the priests. And go out to the village of the son of Hinnom by the entry of Potsherd Gate. And there declare the words that I shall tell you. And say, ‘Hear the Word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and people of Jerusalem. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, ‘Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, which shall cause the ears of him who hears it to tingle. Because they have forsaken Me, and have profaned this place and have burned incense in it to other gods...’” (vs 1-4). That's what we are doing with this one-world religion thing.

“...whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents” (v 4). This valley is the Valley of Hinnom where they had the sacrificial offerings of children.

They are even talking about that today. It's called post-birth abortion. The false gods made it sound good. You go out and whore around, have children you don't want, but if you bring it here and offer it to Moloch out there at the Valley of Hinnom. Offer the children, put them right on those bronze arms and children dropped down into the roaring furnace in the belly of the god Moloch, burn them up.

Verse 5: “‘They have also built the high places of Baal to burn their sons with fire *for* burnt offerings to Baal, which I never commanded nor spoke, nor did *it* come into My mind. Therefore, behold the days come,’ says the LORD...” (vs 5-6). We need to let the people of the descendants of Israel today know that the days are coming. If you think it's bad now, if you think you are frightened by ISIS over there in the Middle East, wait until it gets here. ***It will come if you do not listen to God!***

“...that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the Valley of Slaughter. And I will make the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem come to nothing in this place, and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of those who seek their lives. And I will give their dead bodies to be food for the birds of the heavens, and for the beasts of the earth” (vs 6-7).

Anyone who gets all excited and says, ‘I believe in the loving Lord Jesus Christ and why do you speak these awful evil words of judgment to

me?’ ***Because the one Who became Jesus Christ was the one Who spoke these words!***

If you think this is bad, you get our book, *The Appointed Times of Jesus the Messiah*, and you read what it's going to be like and what's going to take place at the return of Christ. How the heavens are going to shake, the earth is going to shake. It is going to be an awesome thing. It will make ISIS look like kindergarten, not JVs, *kindergarten*. God says He's going to do it.

Verse 8: “And I will make this city a waste and a hissing. Everyone who passes by shall be astonished and shall hiss because of all its plagues.” Then he says they are even going to be committing cannibalism.

Verse 15: “Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, ‘Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all its towns all the evil that I have spoken against it because they have hardened their necks so that they might not hear My words.’”

Hosea 7:13: “Woe to them, for they have fled from Me!.... [not only turning their back, but running away from God as fast as they can] ...Destruction unto them—because they have sinned against Me. Though I have redeemed them... [God brought them out of the land of Egypt] ...yet, they have spoken lies against Me.” Happens every Sunday.

Verse 14: “And they have not cried to Me with their heart, when they howled on their beds; they gather themselves for grain and wine, and they rebel against Me. Though I have bound and strengthened their arms, yet they think evil against Me. They return, but not to the *Most High*. They are like a deceitful bow; their rulers shall fall by the sword from the rage of their tongue. This *shall be* their scorn in the land of Egypt” (vs 14-16).

Hosea 8:1: “Put a ram's horn to your mouth. *He comes* like an eagle against the house of the LORD because they have transgressed My covenant and have rebelled against My Law. Israel shall cry to Me, ‘My God, we know You.’ Israel has thrown off good; the enemy shall pursue him. They have set up kings, but not by Me; they have made princes, and I knew it not. They have made themselves idols *with* their silver and their gold, so that they may be cut off. Your calf, O Samaria, has cast *you* off. My anger is kindled against them. How long shall they be incapable of innocence? For from Israel it *came* also—the craftsman made it, but *it is* not God; for the calf of Samaria shall be broken into shivers. For they sow to the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind. It has no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal; but if it does yield, strangers shall swallow it up” (vs 1-7).



Verse 14: “For Israel has forgotten his Maker, and builds temples. And Judah has multiplied cities. But I will send a fire on his cities, and it shall burn up her palaces.”

What is the solution here? God lists out all their sins (Amos 5<sub>[corrected]</sub>). But here again remember, God always gives a reprieve. Here's an opportunity for a reprieve if they will take it.

Amos 5:1: “Hear this word which I take up against you, even a lamentation, O house of Israel. The virgin of Israel has fallen; she shall rise no more; she lies forsaken on her land. There is none to raise her up, for thus says the Lord GOD, ‘The city that went out *by* a thousand shall leave a hundred, and that which went out *by* a hundred shall have ten left in the house of Israel.’ For thus says the LORD to the house of Israel, ‘**Seek Me and you shall live**’” (vs 1-4). Even though He says all this evil is coming.

Verse 5: “But do not seek Bethel... [Don't go back to your old Protestantism and Catholicism.] ...nor enter into Gilgal, and do not pass to Beersheba; for Gilgal shall surely go into exile, and Bethel shall come to nothing. Seek the LORD and you shall live... [again God tells them] ...lest He break out like a fire *on* the house of Joseph and devour it... [Who is the house of Joseph? *America and Britain!*] ...and there be none to quench it in Bethel—You who turn judgment to wormwood and leave off righteousness *in* the earth!’ **Seek Him** Who created the Pleiades and Orion, and Who turned the deep darkness into the morning, and Him Who darkened the day *into* night. Seek Him Who calls for the water of the sea, and pours them out on the face of the earth—the LORD *is* His name” (vs 5-8).

God says, ‘I know your many transgressions.’ When this happens we need to be the prudent ones. We need to be wise.

Verse 13: “Therefore, the prudent shall keep silent in that time; for *it is* an evil time.... [Here's what needs to happen]: ...Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts shall be with you, as you have spoken. Hate the evil, and love the good...” (vs 13-15).

That's why one of the things that we have for all young people—and actually it's for adults too—is the book of Proverbs. That tells you in simple terms: right/wrong, good/evil. Very clear to understand.

“...and establish judgment in the gate. It may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious *to* the remnant of Joseph” (v 15).

Come down here and we will see what God labels as the things that they were doing in all of

their false religion, which then gets down to the holidays.

God says, v 21: “I hate, I despise your feast days...” That's why they can't put Jesus back into Christmas, because He was never there. That comes from ancient Babylon.

“...and I will take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Though you offer Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings, I will not accept them....” (vs 21-22).

We can say today, ‘Though you have your great choirs and sing all of these hymns. Though you give praise to Me. It's not to Me because you're doing it to Baal, because you're worshipping on Sunday.’

“...Take the noise of your sons away from Me, for I will not hear the melody of your harps. But let judgment roll down like waters, and righteousness like a mighty stream. Have you offered sacrifices and offerings to Me forty years in the wilderness, O house of Israel?” (vs 22-25).

Even when they were coming out of the land of Egypt for 40 years, right under the cloud in the daytime and the fire by night, they were still doing this.

Verse 26: “But now you have carried the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun, your images, the star of your gods which you made for yourselves.” What do they put on top of the Christmas tree? *A star!* Who is the fallen star that wants to be worshiped and exalted? *Satan the devil!* If you look at a Christmas tree and its decoration, that's a celebration of eating of Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Satan sits right at the top.

Let's look at the Church. I mentioned *no more delay*. Why am I turning to Exo.8 to talk about the Church? When God was bringing all the plagues upon the Egyptians and their gods, when the plagues first started they came against also the house of Israel. Some of the religionists and some of the prophets say some things that are right to entrap you into their counterfeit ways. Let's see they can even perform miracles.

Exodus 8:5: “And the LORD spoke to Moses, ‘Say to Aaron, “Stretch out your hand with your rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up on the land of Egypt.”’” Nice big juicy ones. The big fat ones. Can you imagine millions of croaking frogs.

Verse 7: “And the priests... [of Egypt] ...did so with their secret arts, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, ‘Pray to the LORD that He

may take away the frogs from me and from my people., And I will let the people go, so that they may sacrifice to the LORD.' And Moses said to Pharaoh, 'I give to you the honor—when shall I pray for you, for your servants, and for your people, to destroy the frogs from you and your houses so *that* they may remain in the river only?'" (vs 7-9). Can you imagine trying to sleep, frogs in your bedroom?

Verse 10: "And he said, 'Tomorrow.' And he said, 'It shall be according to your word so that you may know that *there is* none like the LORD our God. And the frogs shall depart from you, and from your houses, and from your servants, and from your people. They shall remain in the river only.' And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh. And Moses cried to the LORD because of the frogs which He had brought against Pharaoh. And the LORD did according to the word of Moses. And the frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields. And they gathered them in heaps *and* heaps. And the land stank" (vs 10-14). Can you imagine what that was like.

But here's what happens. People want the blessings of God, but they don't want to obey. So, after God gives him the benefit of doubt, then Pharaoh changed his mind.

Verse 15: "But Pharaoh saw that *there* was relief, and he hardened his heart, and did not hearken to them, even as the LORD had said. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Say to Aaron, "Stretch out your rod, and strike the dust of the land, so that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.'" And they did so, for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod and struck the dust of the earth and it became lice in man and in beast. All the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt" (vs 15-17). God created them. There they are, lice everywhere.

Verse 18: "And the priests did so with their secret arts to bring forth lice, but they could not. So there were lice upon man and upon beast. And the priests said to Pharaoh, 'This *is* the finger of God.' And Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not hearken to them, as the LORD had said" (vs 18-19).

So, they got flies, then they got darkness. When it came to later plagues, God separated out the land of Goshen. They didn't receive the plagues. Likewise with the people of God. If we don't let ourselves get wrapped up in the world and polluted by worldly things and worldly thoughts, God will be gracious to us and spare us from what He's going to bring upon the whole nation, because it's going to come. I think if we look back and look at what happened at Ferguson, that's just a taste of what is coming.

Here's what we need to aim for. It will make a difference in our lives and what God will do for us and His people.

Revelation 3:7: "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia..."—brotherly love. Remember this: ***you cannot have brotherly love unless you love God first!***

"...These things says the Holy One, the one Who *is* true; the one Who has the key of David, Who opens and no one shuts, and Who shuts and no one opens. I know your works... [God knows everything we do] ...Behold, I have set before you an open door, and no one has the power to shut it because you have a little strength, and have kept My word, and have not denied My name" (vs 7-8).

Here's what God is going to do, v 9: "Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan... [those mucky-muck elites that run the whole world] ...who proclaim themselves to be Jews and are not, but do lie—behold, I will cause them to come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you.... [here's another promise]: "Because you have kept the word of My patience..." (vs 9-10).

- that's why we go by the Scriptures
- that's why we go by the Word of God
- that's the reason we do everything that we do

Because the ideas of men, even though they may appear good, are not from God.

"...I also will keep you from the time of temptation... [that is probably the coming *mark of the beast*] ...which *is* about to come upon the whole world... [This is going to be a worldwide thing.] ...to try those who dwell on the earth" (v 10). Exactly how that's going to work out, I don't know; I can't tell you.

Perhaps this can also mean some will go to a place of safety as brought out in Rev. 12. But remember, you're not going to have your Serta Sleeper there and you're not going to have your Number Bed there. You're going to have a nice rock.

Verse 11: "Behold, I am coming quickly; hold fast that which you have so that no one may take away your crown." Satan is out there with his false prophets to try and get you. You need to understand that false prophets can come along and say some things that will come to pass just exactly like the magicians and priests of Egypt did.

I have spoken of this man—Jonathan Cahn—before and I have brought out the things that he has said is right. People want to know: Is that really of God or not? How can we tell? We don't know his

heart, but we can look at his works. So this man, Jonathan Cahn, who is of the priestly line of the tribe of Aaron, reaches both professing Christians and Jews. What he does is he has the Jews come in on Friday night for their temple study. Then on Sunday the Christians come in. He may have understood certain prophecies, but it is evident he does not understand the Bible. I hope that he would grow in grace and knowledge and put those things away.

He just recently came out with his conclusion that Jesus was born in the month Nisan. So, I'm going to have to look at that and refute that because there are a lot of people who believe that. *That could not be!* I'll tell you why. Just one clue: *first of Nisan is the first day after winter ends.* Do you think Mary could have made the trip from Nazareth up to Bethlehem? And they always collected taxes in the fall, not in the spring. So, we will have to see.

He also said that 2015 is going to be a disastrous year. We don't know if it is or not. We'll have to wait and see. What if it is a year of reprieve for the true people of God? And an opportunity to preach the Gospel more? *We don't know because we have to go by faith every day,* but we can say this for sure: 2014 was a terrible year, without a doubt.

If it's going to get worse in 2015, we'll just have to wait and see. Even though false prophets can say some true things, they are always caught in their works because they are contrary to the Word of God. Then they will say something that they are convinced will happen and it doesn't.

Remember Glenn Beck. He was one who said a lot of things and warned a lot of leaders and talked to them right to their face. Then he was going to have this great rally in Washington, D.C., which he had. There were thousands of people who came there. Then, lo and behold, his fruits were all lined up there: *leaders of every religion!*

So, you have to check it out by the Bible. It tells us in Isa. 8: *'To the Law and the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it's because there's no light in them.'*

What was one of the first warnings that Jesus told His disciples? *Be on guard against false prophets!* He says they come to you in sheep's clothing. *Yes!* But watch out for the baa-baa black sheep.

He says here to keep us from that, but He also gives a warning, v 11: "Behold, I am coming quickly; hold fast that which you have so that no one may take away your crown. The one who overcomes..." (vs 11-12). Think about all the things we have to overcome and all the things that come into our lives just living in this age.

Verse 12: "The one who overcomes will I make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall not go out any more; and I will write upon him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which will come down out of heaven from My God; and *I will write upon him My new name....* [same thing we read in the Old Testament]: ...**The one who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches**" (vs 12-13). We'll save the Laodiceans for another time.

What's going to happen in 2015? *The first Sabbath next year I'll bring a sermon on that!*

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