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The Battle for America

"I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem." Zechariah 12:9

By Mike Wingfield

As Americans begin this new year, all eyes are on the new president and his administration. As they take charge of the leadership in Washington, it has created a firestorm in America and around the world. The conservative world in the U.S., especially the evangelical community, is rejoicing. That's because we have a new political leadership that is more in line with our Biblical values than in past decades. However, the previous administration was accepted by a great number of Americans, and the global leadership as well. It was politically, economically, spiritually, and morally liberal and corrupt. It supported the dangerous New World Order agenda, and was forcing America into that mold. The new administration is not promoting a global agenda, but was elected because of a promise to "Make America Great Again." This conservative and nationalistic approach to government in Washington is out of step with most of the world, and the very vocal liberal socialists in America. Consequently, I personally believe that the great and final battle for America has begun. I am convinced that the battle for America and what transpires, will shape our world for the end-time events that lie ahead. What the true church does and how it reacts will be very significant! Only Jesus Christ can make America great again!

In order to understand the raging battle for the soul of America, we must view our nation and our world from God's eternal perspective as recorded in the Bible. According to the Bible, when the end of this age comes, all nations, including the United States, will join the forces of the Antichrist in his war against Israel. (Joel 3:2; Zechariah 14:2; Revelation 13:7) So, it is not a matter of if America will be deceived by Satan to join the forces of the Antichrist, it is only a matter of when.

There is a raging war on earth between God and Satan. A very critical part of that battle involves America and Israel. When the end comes, America will abandon Israel, and Israel will, humanly speaking, be isolated and alone within the family of nations. In light of recent events, we are dangerously close to this point at the beginning of 2017.

The Battle for America has been raging for several decades now. As believers in Jesus Christ, it is imperative that we understand what is happening and respond as those who are not deceived by the spiritual darkness that permeates the world around us. As in the days of King Jehoshaphat of Judah, we are facing incredible odds. However, we need to once again hear the message from the Lord: "Be not afraid by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's." (2 Chronicles 20:15)

In his excellent book, The Marketing of Evil, David Kupelian demonstrates that since the 1960s, America has been targeted by evil men. Their agenda is to change the very soul of America, making evil good, and good evil. From 1960-1990, America has been spiritually transformed. See the chart below.

cal, spiritual, and moral firestorms within America that we have faced! Consequently, I believe this is a unique and final opportunity for believers to make a difference in the future of America! I want to remind you that the stakes in the battle are very high. When America falls to the political and spiritual forces of evil and joins the growing socialist/Islamic agenda, our world will be radically changed overnight. We must attempt to delay this for the glory of God and the souls of men.

This battle that is raging on earth is a reflection of the conflict in the spiritual realm between God and Satan. In order to enter into this battle, we must realize that only the true church can wage war in this realm. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

> (Ephesians 6:12) If the true church does not wake up and seek the face of God and stand up for Him in this battle for America, then this great country will soon fall. Some might say, "But America will eventually fall anyway." This is true. But the Lord expects us to enter into the battle for the souls of men. The majority of sinners will die and be eternally lost. (Matthew 7:13-14) But, the Lord expects us to enter into the spiritual conflict for His glory and for the salvation of a few. What happens to America will directly impact the church in America!

As we battle Satan, and all of those who aid his kingdom of darkness, we must

understand how he weakens and deceives the nations in his war against God. (Isaiah 14:12; Revelation 20:3) God is the One who builds nations for His glory and purposes. (Jeremiah 18:1-10) According to the Bible, God has four major instruments that He uses to build nations for His glory. It is Satan's objective to destroy these four instruments in his war against God. As we examine these divine nation building instruments, it will become very obvious that America is about to fall. Let us examine these four divine instruments:

The Battle for America

The Old America (Prior to 1960)

Bible accepted

Exclusive Christianity

Moral Absolutes

Biblical marriage & home

a time of spiritual light

The Transformation of America (1960s-80s)

Bible questioned

New Age Introduction

Moral Confusion

Challenging marriage & home

a time of spiritual sunset

The New America (1990s-today)

Bible rejected

Rejection of Christianity

Moral Relativism

Destruction of marriage & home

> a time of spiritual darkness

In 60 years "we have gone from a nation unified by traditional Judeo-Christian values to one in which those same values are increasingly scorned, rejected, and demonized."-David Kupelian, The Marketing of Evil, p. 11

America has been living in spiritual darkness for several decades. Those who are enjoying the cover of darkness do not want the light of truth turned back on, exposing their shame and guilt. Remember that Jesus said: "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither comes to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." (John 3:19-20) It is my opinion that the election of Donald Trump, and the hope that he will lead us back to a path of Biblical conservative moral values is leading us into one of the greatest politi-

Instrument #1

Marriage/Home - The building block of society [God's institution to create and maintain the nations]

The very foundation of any nation or culture is marriage and the family. The spiritual and physical union of the marriage of a man and a woman, and their physical reproduction, has been the divine model for blessing and maintaining all societies from the very beginning. (Genesis 1:27-28; 2:24) For the first 200 years in America, this fact was never debated or denied. However, evil agents bent on destroying America are determined to demolish the sanctity of marriage and the role of the husband and wife and their authority in the home. In recent years we have witnessed the approval of this agenda within the Supreme Court and the White House. This means that that the spiritual enemies of America have infiltrated the highest political offices in the nation.

The church needs to wake up to the reality that at the center of Satan's target to destroy America is our children. In July 2015, a 9 foot-tall bronze statue of Satan was unveiled in Detroit, Michigan. Please notice that this statue depicts a boy and a girl adoringly looking into the face of Satan. All of the evil dictators and the leaders of cult groups know how important it is to capture the minds of children. Vladimir Lenin, a significant Russian communist revolutionary a century ago said, "Give me just one generation of youth, and I'll transform the whole world."



Our public school systems are anti-God, anti-Christ, anti-Bible, anti-church, and anti-family. Our schools and universities are poisoning the minds of our children with a godless agenda. They have successfully replaced the Bible and its moral values that guided this nation for 200 years with an immoral value system. Islam is now being given favorable recognition, while Christianity is being attacked. Our major colleges and universities have many professors who are avowed socialists and communists. They have successfully brainwashed our youth to hate America and everything good that made this country great.

If this is not bad enough, our churches, including the conservative evangelical churches in America, have no serious agenda to disciple our children concerning Biblical truth. In too many of our churches the children and youth are ignored. While other churches create programs to entertain kids to keep them coming to church. I submit to you that this is a serious offence to God! The most precious gift God has given us is our children, not our material wealth! Offending children is serious business with God! Jesus said: "But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea." (Matthew 18:6)

Does your church have a serious Biblical ministry for children? How much time in prayer and teaching is devoted to them? How much money is being spent to disciple children and youth? Are we spending money in our churches to reach the children of the world, while allowing our own children to be spiritually ignored?

The track record of the American church is tragic! Statistics indicate that we are not retaining the children God has given us. We are handing them over to the evil agents in America to be used for Satan's purposes, rather than for the glory of God. If we are to win the battle for America, this trend must stop!

If the church is serious about entering into the battle for America, our children must be the front line of our defense! In our homes and our churches, we must make hard decisions about home-schooling our kids. We must never hand them over to a major university where the demons of hell will devour them. Parents and grandparents must enter into the battle for their children. If we lose them for all of eternity, what have we gained?

Oh that our Lord would give us wisdom to have strong homes and marriages for His glory, and to be an example of God's truth in a world that has lost its moral compass!

Instrument #2 Government - The secular arm of God's rule

[God's <u>secular</u> instrument to the nations]

Human government was ordained and designed by God after the global flood. (Genesis 9:6) God maintains human governments for His divine purposes. He is the One who sets up rulers over the nations. (Daniel 2:21) God has designed that government leaders promote His laws to maintain peace. (1 Timothy 2:2) According to His holy standards rulers are the servants of God on earth to promote good, and punish the wicked. (Romans 13:1-4)

America has historically been blessed because this nation was founded upon the Bible and godly principles. Our first president, George Washington, said, "It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible." The Bible declares, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD." (Psalm 33:12)

In the last 40 years, our government has divorced itself from God and His Word. While our money still bears the motto, "In God We Trust," we have become a pagan nation. Furthermore, during this same period of time, evil agents have been plotting and promoting to deceive America and force it down the path toward democratic socialism. History demonstrates that this form of government is evil. It is the brainchild of atheists and power-hungry dictators. It eventually leads to communism and brings with it a massive blood-filled revolution.

If you think I am exaggerating, I urge you to watch one or all of the following three DVDs: *Agenda*, *Agenda* 2, and *Enemies Within*. These powerful documentaries clearly reveal the painful reality of what is taking place in America to destroy it from within. The election of Donald Trump has not cancelled this agenda! Every Christian in America should watch these DVDs.

I personally believe that our merciful Lord has allowed Donald Trump to be elected to give America one last chance to turn away from the dangerous political path it has been following for the last few decades. We need to pray for our president's safety and join in the battle for America.

Instrument #3 Israel - God's light unto the nations

[God's divine <u>sign</u> to the nations]

Over 4,000 years ago, God spoke to Abraham and called into existence a special instrument that He would use to bless the world -- Israel. While speaking to Abraham about his future Jewish descendants, God said, "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." (Genesis 12:3) In spite of their failure to live up to God's calling, God's unconditional declaration to Abraham has come to pass. Israel has become a light unto the nations. Because of them, we have the Bible and our Jewish Messiah and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Both secular and Biblical history demonstrate that God has kept His promise to His chosen nation, Israel. Historically, the nations that cursed Israel were destroyed by God. The modern nation of Israel is a divine miracle. It is a fulfillment of the prophecies given by Jewish prophets thousands of years ago. Israel is also God's sign to the nations. A plaque at the foot of the statue of the prophet Elijah on Mount Carmel reads, "Israel is a living sign in world history that God lives and that His Word is yes and amen."

In the Bible, a sign is the same as a miracle. A sign is supernatural, something only God can do. Signs are also given to communicate about God and His purposes. So, the LORD has chosen to communicate to the nations who He is through a small, disobedient nation. He has demonstrated through them His sovereignty, unconditional love, mercy, faithfulness, patience, justice, and power.

When the end of this age comes, it will feature the final battle between God and Satan. At the center of that battle is God's sign to the nations -- Israel. The Jewish people, against all odds, after 2,000 years of dispersion, are returning to their ancient homeland. God spoke through

the prophet Jeremiah 2,600 years ago, and said, "I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it." (Jeremiah 30:3) As we have witnessed, the nations are in opposition to God's Word. They are not reading His sign! With great fanfare in the United Nations, the nations continue to condemn Israel's occupation of the land that the Lord promised to them forever. (Genesis 13:15)

On December 23, 2016, the U.N. Security Council passed Resolution 2334, which declares all Israeli occupation of the West Bank [Biblical Judea and Samaria] and East Jerusalem [the portion of Jerusalem occupied in Biblical days] illegal. The nations are saying that this land belongs to the Palestinians. Therefore, they will not recognize the rights of Israeli Jews to live in the heartland of what God promised to them. The United States, which is a permanent member of this council, could have vetoed this resolution, thus killing it. However, the Obama administration orchestrated the creation of this resolution and publically abstained from voting, turning Israel over to enemies who are sworn to her destruction.

While the Trump administration has promised to be a true friend of Israel, this will not stop the demons of hell that have just been turned loose in their attempt to bring about the demise of the modern nation of Israel. President Trump, and those who support him, will find themselves at odds with the world!

The Lord has promised that He will defend His chosen people and their occupation of their land and the city of Jerusalem. The nations who oppose Him will join forces with the Antichrist to form a coalition of evil that will attempt to make God a liar by evicting the Jewish people from Jerusalem and their land. The Lord will destroy all of the nations that come against Jerusalem in the last days. The Lord has declared, "I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem." (Zechariah 12:9) Speaking to the nation of Israel, the Lord has said, "Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. ... the LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore." (Psalm 121:4, 7-8)

The modern nation of Israel is the most powerful sign given to the nations concerning the presence and power of God on earth! The ancient prophet Jeremiah sounded out the pronouncement from heaven, "Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock." (Jeremiah 31:10)

How do we know that the Lord will keep this promise to Israel? Later in **Jeremiah 31**, the Lord gave the following seal of promise to His people, "Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances [sun, moon, and stars] depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me forever. Thus saith the LORD; If the heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD." (Jeremiah 31:35-37) security of the nation of Israel is bound up in the existence of the sun, moon, and stars. It does not get any more secure than that! Should the sun cease to exist, everything on this earth would die within a few minutes. In other words, the life of the nations is dependent upon the same One who controls the galaxies and the nations of earth.

The nations of the world are headed for a major confrontation with the Almighty! As they fight against Israel's occupation of their land and the holy city of Jerusalem, they are fighting against the King of Kings. Regarding these promises, God has warned, "Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked. The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return, until he [has] done it, and until he [has] performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it." (Jeremiah 30:23-24)

UN Resolution 2334 is hastening the day when all of this will come to pass. America, set your house in order. Either stand with God and have His blessing, or continue to agree with the evil agenda of our day and invite the judgment of the Lord upon this nation! We must pray for our new president. We need to pray that he will keep the promises he has made to Israel. However, there is a very vocal liberal left that will oppose the new administration's support for Israel while the world wants to turn Israel over

to its enemies. This is a vital part of the battle for America!

Instrument #4

The Church - God's ambassadors to the nations

[God's spiritual messenger to the nations]

The church in America needs to fall on its face and repent! We are far away from God! We are so focused upon ourselves and our immediate needs and struggles that we are completely out of touch with the eternal purposes of God. The church is more concerned about felt needs than the final struggle between heaven and hell. The church is more concerned about pleasing men and identifying with sinners, rather than pleasing God and identifying with the counsel of God's will. Consequently, the American culture has changed the church, rather than the church changing the American culture. In recent decades, the church in America has been part of the problem, rather than part of the solution to turning hearts back toward our holy God.

Most American pastors and professing believers are oblivious to the battle for America. They are so biblically illiterate that they are walking in spiritual darkness. The Bible is God's beacon of light to shine in the darkness to expose sin and its deception. "Thy word is a lamp into my feet, and a light unto my path." (Psalm 119:105) Too many Christians know how to talk the talk. They quote this verse and say they believe it. However, actions speak louder than words. We act upon what we really believe. If we really believe that the Bible is God's light, then we will be driven to make Bible study a vital part of our daily routine.

As true believers in Jesus Christ, we are called to be His ambassadors as we live in Satan's kingdom of darkness on this earth. (2 Corinthians 5:20) Those who are genuinely saved are called "out of darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9) "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth." (1 John 1:6) Those who are out of touch with the times and are not looking for, or praying for the Lord to return, are walking in spiritual darkness. (1 Thessalonians 5:1-8)

I am utterly shocked and saddened by the lack of passion that the church has for the return of the Lord Jesus. Jesus made it clear that His true disciples are those who deny themselves, all others, and everything else to express their

love and devotion to Him. (Luke 9:23-26; 14:26-27, 33) Nothing should come before Him! Many pastors and church members in America think they have made Jesus first in their church and lives. However, the messages they preach and the lifestyles they live do not agree with their words. They are living in spiritual darkness.

I believe that the real litmus test of a believer's love for his Lord is a personal longing for His coming. This certainly agrees with the lifestyles and messages of the apostles and the early church. The teaching about the coming of Jesus was central to the discipleship of new believers. (Acts 17:1-3; 2 Thessalonians 2:5) One-third of the pastoral epistles are about the Second Coming of Christ. The Holy Spirit living in believers desires to move them to pray, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." (Revelation 22:20)

The true believer who is walking in the power of the Holy Spirit will view his time on this earth as only being temporary. He will see his time on earth as one who is just passing through. (1 Peter 1:17) True believers should view themselves as ambassadors of heaven, and as "strangers and pilgrims" on this earth. (Hebrews 11:16; 1 Peter 2:11) This biblical mindset is foreign to the current messages being proclaimed in most American churches.

Friends, the new president cannot make America great again! I admire his desire and commitment to bless America. It is refreshing to hear a president say this once again! However, America's greatest ills are not economic.

America is dying. America's major problems are spiritual in nature. America needs to return to what made her great so many years ago. There was an unquestionable acceptance of the Biblical role of marriage and the home. Biblical values were honored and promoted. Children were important and valued. Churches proclaimed the Word of God and called for their members to not be like the world and its godless ways.

In essence, we need to pray for a revival of a remnant of true believers to provide a model for Americans to "glorify [our] Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16) Only Jesus can make America great again! Let us join Him in the real battle for America!

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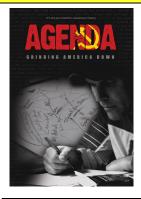
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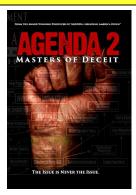


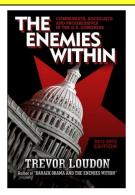
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