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World Situation Worst Since 1940

CAN Soviet aggression in Korea be finally checked without a third world war? Will this lead to full War with Russia? Here is a clear analysis of the Korean war, with the prophecies of what will happen.

I TELL you with utmost earnestness," said Winston Churchill on July 15, reminiscent of his "blood, sweat and tears" speech, "that my own anxiety of the free world reminds me of the summer of 1940."

The United States is *at war!*—make no mistake about that. And, as usual, the United States at the start is taking heavy losses, retreating, fighting a delaying action while the nation frantically scrambles to produce the army and equipment needed and to rush them to the front.

It was the same old story. Once again an aggressor attacked—this time Russia, attacking thru its puppet North Korean Communists—and once again the United States was not ready. American forces rushed from Japan into Korea didn't have the right weapons—didn't have enough weapons or enough men.

Too late, the American high officials discovered that the North Korean army was better trained, better equipped, than expected. It was their business to *know* what the enemy had in the various potential danger spots, of which Korea is only one. But, as usual, they didn't know.

The United States rushed a few hundred American soldiers to the Korean

front with insufficient equipment and ammunition to face what turned out to be fifteen Communist divisions totalling between 75,000 and 90,000 Russian-trained soldiers, spearheaded by 150 Russian-made tanks.

The Americans were supplied with 5 howitzers, and bazookas and rifle grenades too weak to stop the Russian tanks. They managed to destroy five of the 150 tanks, but exhausted their ammunition and had to flee, leaving their five howitzers behind to be taken by the enemy!

American Air Force sorties harassed the advancing Communist invaders somewhat, but the Air Force suffered from a woeful shortage of planes.

Against the fifteen Communist divisions, America by July 15 was sending across the Pacific two crack divisions—the First Division Marines, from Camp Pendleton, Calif., always the first into battle; and the Second Infantry Division from Ft. Lewis, Washington.

Stalin Has U. S. Guessing

The United States not only was *at war*—real shooting war; it was in fact at war with Russia! But not officially, of course. It was not a full-scale *total* war. Officially, in pretense, this was a war between North Koreans and the United

Nations. Officially, Stalin had nothing to do with it. Officially, Mr. Truman was merely sending some U. S. soldiers into Korea on a "policing action" on behalf of the United Nations. That's the official pretense.

In reality, North Korea is a Communist puppet state, doing what it is secretly directed to do by Joseph Stalin in Moscow. The North Korean soldiers are Russian-trained. They are supplied with Russian tanks, Russian munitions, full Russian equipment. So the plain truth is, Stalin chose to attack the United States in a remote part of the earth *as a test-case*.

And the plain truth is, Stalin had the United States guessing. Was Russia trying to lure the United States into such great military effort in Korea that it would be helpless against a large-scale Russian invasion of Europe, or elsewhere? Was Stalin merely focusing attention on far-off Korea, while the Russians prepare to make a quick grab of Iran and its fabulous oil-production? If America should send a really impressive force to Korea, large enough to whip the North Korean force, would Stalin pour in Communist Chinese forces, and even Russian soldiers, in such strength that

it would develop into a total war with Russia? If America threw in enough strength, in coming weeks, to decisively shove back the North Koreans, *how far back* should United States forces shove them? Should they stop at the 38th Parallel, the boundary between North and South Korea, and if so, what is to prevent another North Korean invasion just as soon as American troops are removed? How far was this war to go? How much military strength could the U. S. afford to commit to Korea, and how much must be kept in readiness for possible invasions from Communist forces in other parts of the world?

President Truman did not have the answers to these questions. He said such decisions would have to be made as they become necessary.

What Is Prophesied!

Contrary to most self-professed "authorities" on Bible prophecy, **NO ALL-OUT FULL-SCALE WAR IS PROPHESED BETWEEN RUSSIA AND THE UNITED STATES.** The famous prophecy of Ezek. 38 and 39 foretells a Russian invasion of PALESTINE, much later, *not* against the North American continent.

That does not mean such a war could not happen. It does mean it isn't likely. To say there is now no DANGER of full war with Russia would be foolhardy. The world situation is, as Mr. Churchill said, the most serious since 1940, when Hitler almost won World War II. *There is plenty of DANGER!*

What actually has happened is this:

Stalin, bent on complete world domination, as part of his plan to wear the United States down, sap our strength, maneuver events to a place where America is so weakened, and Russia so strengthened, that the final death-blow may be dealt, chose Korea as the field for a most important test-case.

He chose Korea because it is the *only* spot on earth where he could do this without risk to himself. If America wins decisively Stalin can throw up his hands in a gesture of innocence and say he had nothing to do with it. If the North Koreans win, it will be a great victory for Russia, and America will be THRU in the Orient. If it comes to a deadlock, Stalin can first sap American strength by throwing in more and more Chinese Communist forces to wear us down, and then, finally, pretending to be an innocent man of peace, step in and offer to negotiate a peace, and then strut before the world as a champion of peace while he brands America as a "WAR-MONGER." Since the United States did not win a quick decisive victory, Stalin is going to win, no matter which way it goes from here.

Americans are no match for Stalin

and the Communists in this game of hypocrisy, pretense, deception, and tricky world strategy.

Once again this incident is fulfilling Hosea's prophecy. Speaking of both America and Britain by the birthright name "Ephraim," God Almighty says, thru the prophet Hosea (7:8-9): "Ephraim allows himself to be mixed up with foreigners; Ephraim has become a cake unturned as it was baked, *foreigners eat away his strength*, unknown to him."

Both Britain and America made themselves Russia's ally during World War II. America made Russia a present of billions of dollars' worth of "lend-lease," on which, or part of which, Russia promptly pays a very small interest, but never will pay a penny of principal. Now Russia starts sapping American strength in Korea.

Stalin was crafty enough to be sure the North Koreans were well trained, well-equipped, and had enough divisions to greatly outnumber available American forces, before ordering them to attack. Stalin held in reserve, subject to his order, untold divisions of highly trained Communist Chinese, and, if needed, finally, Russian troops. By the middle of July there were reports of concentrations of Chinese Communist forces near the Korean border, and heavy enrollment of Russian "volunteers," ready to re-inforce the North Koreans.

But it would not be Stalin's method to throw all these vast reserve forces into the battle at once for a quick victory. No, the Moscow strategy would be to add this reserve strength *gradually*, just rapidly enough to maintain sufficient superiority over American strength. This would compel the United States to expend great military strength in a cause which can't mean much to America even if she wins.

Yes, as prophesied, foreigners are eating away our strength and resources, and America seems to be too dumb to realize it. Already, since World War I, the foreigners have drained Britain's strength until the Empire is gone. Now America is being drained.

The Probable Outcome

Just how was this Korean incident, then, to wind up? To predict the outcome in detail in advance of events in the absence of definite and specific prophecies is, of course, impossible.

Bible prophecies reveal the *general* course of world events from here. All that is possible in this article is to analyze the apparent probabilities, based on this *general* prophetic outline, and on events as they had occurred up to July 19th, when these words were written. By the time you read this, the picture may have changed.

But as of July 19th, this is our analysis of the probable drift:

First, remember Russia has been checked in making further advances in Europe, the Marshall Plan, the Air Lift, the Tito Rebellion, the German Underground in Russian-occupied Germany, the Western Europe Alliance, the rise of the Christian Democrat and Social Democrat political movements, all these have prevented further Russian gains politically or by force. Instead, the trend in Europe has been against Russia.

Yet Russia has been winning the "cold war," Russia has been winning it *in Asia*. The United States went to war against Japan primarily to save China. But Russia has taken China without resistance from the United States.

In these circumstances, Stalin decided to make a test case—this time in Korea. That is what has happened. This test would reveal to Stalin a number of things: 1) whether the U. S. would fight, in a remote part of the earth, to prevent further Russian expansion—how determined and how prepared America is; 2) opportunity for the Russians to measure the battle-skill of American troops as of now, since the disbanding of the World War II forces, to learn what America has developed in the air, to learn the effectiveness of American weapons five years after World War II.

In Korea Stalin could send the Koreans into the invasion, pretending Russia had nothing to do with it. Since America promptly moved to resist the aggression, Stalin could, as outlined above, throw in more and more Communist Chinese and "volunteer" Russian forces, constantly maintaining forces superior to whatever America sends over.

So here was the pivotal question: *if* the U. S. decided to send to Korea a force large enough to win, would Stalin continue to throw in more and more Communist forces until this Korean incident expanded into a full major war—World War III?

The answer apparently was this: Stalin was making a *test-case* of Korea, not starting World War III. Russia apparently was not ready to start World War III, for two major reasons: 1) the United States has a large stock-pile of atomic bombs, capable of destroying all Russian cities and production centers, while Russia cannot have more than a very few atomic bombs, and no hydrogen bombs as yet; and 2) Russia has not as yet developed resources to match the United States in a long war. Therefore, regardless of Russia's superior mobilization of ground forces, and the fleet of snorkel subs she is building, the probability at the moment is that America would whip Russia in a total war.

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AMBASSADOR COLLEGE

Enters Fourth Year

EVERY high school graduate, as well as all readers of The PLAIN TRUTH, will be interested in these facts about this very different college.

THIS summer a few Ambassador students are out in active service, ministering to our churches in Oregon.

Our new college, in beautiful Pasadena, approaches the beginning of its fourth year already an established success. Already the college is showing splendid results.

Ambassador College was founded for a purpose. That purpose is being accomplished, not in the way we envisioned, but more rapidly and in greater measure than we expected. For three difficult years it has forged ahead. It has survived terrible "birth-pains," hurdled seemingly impassable obstacles, solved problems that appeared impossible. Now, enriched by itself having developed in the school of experience, it begins, September 5th, its fourth year.

Applications from prospective students indicate a healthy growth in enrollment this fall. Indications point to a good increase in number of girl students. It is hoped we shall have, this coming year, an enrollment of girls almost equal to the number of men.

Facts About Ambassador

Ambassador College is a liberal arts institution, co-educational. In student enrollment it is perhaps the smallest liberal arts college in America, but it maintains highest standards, offers a beautiful and cultural setting, and is based on a foundational purpose which distinguishes it from all others.

While the course in Bible and Religion is the basic course, required of all students, and the primary reason for students' enrollment, Ambassador is *not* a Bible school or Theological Seminary, but a straight liberal arts college offering a number of attractive courses in which it is in position to excel.

No student should come to Ambassador with his mind set on becoming a minister. A man is free to select, according to his own desires, any other profession, trade, or occupation he prefers. But no man is free to choose for himself to become a minister of Jesus Christ.

All students arriving at Ambassador are given thorough aptitude and vocational-guidance tests prior to registration and selection of courses to be taken.

They are given experienced professional counsel in discovering their own aptitudes, talents and special abilities, and expert guidance in finding their proper life work. But the Eternal God accepts no ministers as the divinely approved ministers of His Gospel, except those whom HE chooses and specially calls. This special calling is not always readily discernible at first. But it is revealed in due time and made clear by the fruits produced by the individual.

Therefore, while all Ambassador students are required to receive the instruction in God's Truth which every person ought to know, only those who show by the fruits of their lives that they have been specially called by Jesus Christ to His full time service will be used in this ministry. And even many of them will not be "preachers" in the accepted sense, but will serve in some specialized capacity in this great work. All others will be trained for whatever profession or vocation they themselves choose, with the help of expert counsel from our staff.

Interesting Courses

As an example of the above, although no women will be used in this work as ministers of the gospel, yet there are many ways in which women can serve in God's great work. Those girls who show aptitude and desire for such a part in the great work of God will be trained for it. Others will be trained for other special occupations, but all girls will be trained in a most practical manner to become successful and happy wives and mothers and home-makers.

Among the interesting courses already offered are:

RADIO AND TELEVISION: Courses in Radio production, Radio Speech and Announcing, Radio Drama, and technical operation of the control room. Our own radio studio is superior in equipment to that of most radio stations, and offers every facility for professional courses in radio. Our proximity to Hollywood (thirty minutes) offers many advantages. Our students write, produce, and record full dramatic programs, with sound effects, musical interludes, dialog, etc. Our equipment includes the finest cutting lathes for recording by electrical

transcription, and the finest professional tape-recording equipment. This course has proved of great interest to students.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: Everyone, whether a minister or not, should have training in public speaking. Our course is thorough and most interesting. Our recording equipment is a great advantage in this course.

MUSIC: We now offer instruction in piano, voice, and music appreciation, under most competent instructors. See college Bulletin for details.

ENGLISH: American education is woefully weak in teaching students to speak and write the English language. Do you realize others judge your education more by the way you talk than by any other indication? Yet the average high school graduate uses incorrect grammar, has a meagre vocabulary, uses sloppy pronunciation, has had no training in articulation and enunciation. In short, he talks more like an ignorant and illiterate person than one ready for college. Your voice—your English and how you speak it—can make or break you in business, in many professions, and in your ability to meet and influence others. Special stress is laid on this at Ambassador. Those who are backward in this direction are required to take our special course in Remedial English for whatever length of time is needed to correct faulty English and speech.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: French and Spanish are taught at present. Other languages will be added later. Our instruction in these languages is most thorough and practical, under an instructor whose education was received in France and Spain.

Then there are, of course, the general liberal arts courses in History, Psychology, Mathematics, Science (including special "layman's" courses in Astronomy, Physics, Chemistry, etc.).

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING: Subject to sufficient enrollment, we offer beginning this fall a most unusual course in Mechanical Engineering. We are extremely fortunate in having available the services of Mr. Joseph A. Peterson, for ten years Assistant Head Designing Engineer, outranking 200 other designing engineers of the great General Motors

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Heart to Heart Talk With the Editor

(Reprinted from Nov., 1946 Issue)

The other day I read a story in the newspaper that I hope will make you THINK!

A woman in the state of Washington returned home from her work in a restaurant at 3 A.M. Sunday morning to find her four children, ages 12, 10, 8 and 7, dead in their beds of asphyxiation. One of them had turned on the gas stove without lighting it.

But that isn't all. A fifth child 4 years old had burned to death last year. And her husband has recently been confined in a tuberculosis sanitarium!

A year ago, she was a happy wife and mother, with her husband and five children!

Most of you are having troubles of some kind. Many of you are complaining or grumbling. But few, if any, of you have ever had to suffer such tragedy as came to this woman in Washington. Yet this ought to give us all something to *think about!* What ASSURANCE have you that some such calamity will not strike you? Perhaps when you least expect! I'm not trying to frighten you, but rather to point you to the *only* safeguard against it—the *only true security* you can have!

Many, even professing Christians, trust in *money* as their security for the future. Many skimp, economize unduly, in order to lay up more and more, so they need *not worry for the future!*

But this is a false security!

There is only *one* true Security for the future—*knowing* God, and *faith and trust in God!*

If you could look into this world To-

morrow;—if you could see *now* what lies in store for this world, *and for you*—then perhaps you'd do now as men *will* do then, run frantically and terror-stricken "into the caves of the rocks . . . away from the terror of the Eternal! Then man shall fling to rats and bats his silver and golden idols . . . *to hide from the terror of the Eternal!*" That's an actual *prophecy*, quoted from Isaiah 2:19-21! *ONLY ONE* has power to protect you from the *terrible WRATH to come*, and that is our loving, merciful heavenly Father, Almighty GOD!

If we become sick, God heals us and restores our health.

But, more than that—if we serve God and put our TRUST in HIM, He often prevents these things even from happening.

We have had such experiences, personally—several times. Once my wife was lying in bed asleep with our eldest daughter. This was years ago, when our daughter was just a baby. The baby was lying on the inside, her head against the wall. Suddenly my wife was startled and awakened with an audible voice, in a dream, commanding her, "*Move Beverly!*" Opening her eyes and perceiving it was a dream, she turned over and went back to sleep. Again a voice spoke in a dream, this time louder, with insistence, "*MOVE BEVERLY!*" Startled, frightened, she opened her eyes, reached over and lifted Beverly over on the other side of her. She was lying there, half frightened, thinking about it, when, a few seconds after she had moved Beverly, a large heavy picture and frame which had been hanging on the wall just over Beverly's head came crashing down

on the exact spot where the baby's head had lain! Then she knew God had sent an angel to speak to her in a dream and protect our baby's life!

Personally, I have learned what it is to FEAR GOD!

Frankly, I'm afraid—and I mean *really AFRAID!*—to disobey God, or turn from Him, or cease to serve Him in the mission to which He has called me! I'm *AFRAID* to live contrary to His Word.

Better FEAR God—TREMBLE before His Word—be *AFRAID* to disobey, and then live in the great and peaceful security that comes from a living FAITH in HIM!

Yes, better a thousand times to have this godly FEAR and TREMBLING *to do wrong*, and then have God's gift of PEACE and SECURITY thru FAITH, than to ignore God and trust in men or in money.

In the time of the *WRATH to come*, soon to bring such havoc upon this world as to defy the most lurid imagination, those who trust in God, who are WATCHING, and PRAYING ALWAYS, shall be accounted worthy to ESCAPE *all* these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of God!

Christ Jesus is our ROCK of safety—our REFUGE in time of trouble—our *only* trustworthy security for the future!

Instead of laying up treasure on earth for YOURSELF, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves can break thru and steal, LAY UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES IN HEAVEN (Mat. 6:19-20) by putting as much of your earthly money as you can INTO GOD'S WORK for the good of OTHERS (Mat. 19:21), and you shall have REAL SECURITY indeed—and great shall be your reward in the Kingdom!

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Since Stalin is not ready for total war, and does not at this time want an all-out war, Stalin is not going to let the Korean incident maneuver him into one. Stalin is not being maneuvered—he is doing the maneuvering.

The Russians go around kicking on doors with their heavy boots. If the door opens or breaks down, they stalk on in. But if the door remains firm and unmovable, and a dog inside growls or starts for them, they back away, and start kicking on some other door in some other part of the world. Remember this. This is the Russian *method*. It is an index as to what Russia will do.

RADIO LOG

"The WORLD TOMORROW"

Herbert W. Armstrong analyzes today's news, with the prophecies of The WORLD TOMORROW!

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In the Korean situation it appeared, therefore, that Stalin would continue to increase the forces against America and United Nations defense, in order to *sap our strength*, but short of the extent which would run the risk of expanding into a total World War III.

Therefore, knowing what Stalin probably would do, the decision for America should be to send the largest possible force, military, naval, and air, at the quickest possible moment for the quickest, most decisive possible victory. In other words, Stalin bluffs, but if his bluff is called quickly and decisively, *he backs down*—and will continue to do so, *until* such time as Russia is ready for the final all-out test in World War III. Then, of course, Russia will not back down.

But before Russia is ready for that, the world will be stunned, dumbfounded, to see Germany emerge suddenly in a power never equalled by Hitler—by a union of ten nations in Europe, probably including some at present puppets of Russia—in a gigantic United States of Europe. This definitely *is* prophesied!

The probable outcome, therefore, appeared to be that after a few weeks or, moving more slowly, up to several months, the United States would send over to Korea a force sufficient to win. As soon as Stalin could see America was going to win, and he had sapped our strength as far as he felt safe in doing, Stalin would then step in pretending to be a man of peace, offering to use his efforts to stop the conflict and restore peace. However, in so doing, be sure Stalin would drive the sharpest possible bargain. He would demand the seating of Chinese Communists in the United Nations, and whatever concessions he could get in Korea and elsewhere. Korea is another "Munich." America probably will be dumb enough to grant Stalin's concessions. Then Communist propaganda would picture Joseph Stalin as the world's great peace-maker!

A Far More Dangerous Enemy

But for America, there remains, still under cover and unseen by most of us, a far more dangerous enemy than Russia.

The Nazi Underground is now working very effectively in Russian-occupied Eastern Germany. Soon the "United States of Europe" will emerge, with Germany at its head. This, not Russia, is the power that will invade, and DESTROY, the United States of America—*unless America repents and returns to her GOD!*

But America is not repenting! America is not seeking her true God!

Why America Is Doomed

America has strayed so far from her God, she does not realize what blessings

could be hers if she served Him, and what doom is soon to strike because she rejects Him, while professing to worship Him!

America today does not know that serving and *obeying* the ways of God is THE WAY, and the *only* way, that leads to increasing and perpetual prosperity, peace, and happiness.

America does not know that God's Laws are for *our good, our protection*. America's false shepherds teach the people that God's Laws are bad for us. Therefore these false preachers have led the nation into unhappiness, discontent, suffering, and headed it into chaos and toward DOOM!

America does not know, because her false preachers of organized religion have not told her, that God made a SECOND COVENANT with our own national people Israel (the Jewish people are from Judah; the American and British are racial ISRAEL) just prior to entrance into Palestine back in the days of Moses, 40 years AFTER, and *in addition to*, the Covenant made with them at Mt. Sinai. And because we are breaking this covenant today, we are DOOMING our nation to DESTRUCTION!

The Great Apostasy

Forty years after the making of the Old Covenant, just before Israel entered Palestine—just before Moses' death—God Almighty made a second Covenant with our forefathers, *the terms of which are being carried out on our people today*.

At that time, God said of our people: "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments *always*, THAT IT MIGHT BE WELL WITH THEM AND WITH THEIR CHILDREN FOREVER!" (Deut. 5:29).

Then God commanded Moses to send the people to their tents, while Moses alone stood before God . . . "and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them. . . . Ye shall walk in all the ways which the Eternal God hath commanded you, *that ye may live, and that it may be well with you*." (Deut. 5:31-33).

"Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the Eternal your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them" (ch. 6:1).

Then, thru the remainder of the Book of Deuteronomy are written the commandments and statutes and ways which would produce national and individual BLESSINGS, if followed, and national and individual CURSES if neglected, ignored, or disobeyed.

These are the ways and "customs of Moses" which the original true Christian Church, in the days of the twelve apostles and of the apostle Paul, observed so carefully, as long as authentic New Testament history continues. After some 30 years of New Testament history, the record of the New Testament church is a blank for almost a hundred years. When, at last, rays of historic light give us glimpses into the activities of the church, we find a church *vastly changed*.

As the Gentiles came into the Church, especially in the second, third, and fourth generations, they brought with them their pagan customs, ways, and beliefs. Thus paganism began mixing into Christianity. Soon the pagans professing Christianity greatly outnumbered those who held fast to the original TRUTH of Jesus Christ, of the apostles, and of Paul.

By 148 A.D., for example, only the churches of Asia Minor, raised up by Paul, continued to keep the Passover. All others, pagan dominated, had substituted the pagan spring festival in honor of the goddess Easter. By 198 A.D., only two churches publicly kept the Passover, and a hundred years later this and the other true New Testament Church practices were forbidden by law, and prevented by the state police!

And it is from *this* paganized apostasy that today's so-called "Christianity," of organized religion has degenerated. People born into today's perverted world, reared in churches *professing* to be true New Testament churches, ignorant of what happened in those early years, suppose, erroneously, that the churches of this day are the true churches of Jesus Christ! But PROPHECY says that long before our day they would turn away their ears from the TRUTH, and be turned to FABLES! Strange as it seems to you today, this has happened.

A Second Covenant

Our land is filled with *false preachers*, today, just as Jesus foretold. Many of them, themselves, are deceived—yes, many sincere, but *deceived!*

So America today does not know that the nation is suffering, and facing DOOM, because it is living in flagrant violation of a *Second Covenant* which God made with our people forty years after the covenant at Sinai!

It fills most of the Book of Deuteronomy. First, as recorded in Deut. 6:3-5: "Hear, therefore, O Israel (today America, Britain, etc.) and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily. . . . Hear, O Israel: The Eternal thy God is one Eternal. And thou shalt love the Eternal thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might."

That is the *first* and the most important precept, which America breaks today. No one will claim that our people as a nation loves the true God quite that much!

Space here does not, of course, permit all the words of this Law and this second Covenant, *still in force and effect today!* It fills most of the Book of Deuteronomy. Read it yourself. But we shall hit the high-spots, and quote a number of outstanding points.

"Beware, lest thou forget the Eternal. . . . Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you" (6:12, 14). America doesn't realize it or admit it, but AMERICA HAS FORGOTTEN ISRAEL'S GOD! America is deceived and doesn't know it, but she is embracing a religion falsely called "Christianity" which in true fact embodies the essential beliefs, philosophies, customs, and ways of the religions of the pagan gods of Moses' day!

Regarding other races and nationalities, "Thou shalt make no covenant with them . . . neither shalt thou make marriages with them" (Deut. 7:2-3). America made herself the ally of godless heathen Russia. America is falling victim today of the Communist propaganda of MIXING THE RACES, contrary to God's commands! God Himself scattered the races at the tower of Babel. God decreed they shall remain *segregated* until the end of this world, and the coming of Christ. Communism stands for amalgamation of the races, until there will be but one race again. They disseminate this propaganda among the Negroes of America. Eleanor Roosevelt has fallen under this delusion, and other public leaders have started a trend in America which makes segregation, which GOD COMMANDS, appear to be sinful and evil, and which makes a mixing of races, which GOD CONDEMNS, appear to be Christian and good! This has nothing to do with race superiority or racial *discrimination*. God condemns racial discrimination, but *commands* racial segregation. There's a vast difference! Today people confuse the two as tho they were the same!

Why We Have Diseases

"If ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them . . . thou shalt be blessed above all people . . . and the Eternal will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt upon thee" (Deut. 7:12, 14-15).

"Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may be strong. . . . There shall no man be able to stand before you: for the Eternal your God shall lay

the fear of you and the dread of you upon all. . . . Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; a blessing if ye obey . . . a curse if ye will not obey . . . but turn aside out of THE WAY which I command you this day" (Deut. 11:8, 25-28).

"Ye shall not do after all the things that we do here this day, every man *whatsoever is right in his own eyes*" (Deut. 12:8). America violates that command above all. By teaching that sin is doing what is contrary to your own conscience, the preachers lure the people *away* from the laws and commands and ways of God, and teach them to do WHAT IS RIGHT IN THEIR OWN EYES. This, which God condemns, is made to appear to be righteousness, and Christian. But by condemning the laws of God, they make God's true ways appear to be evil! This is America's RELIGION today! AND AMERICA IS UNDER A DIVINE CURSE!

"Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing" (Deut. 14:3). Then follows the list of the clean and unclean meats. The list is also given in Lev. 11. Yes, this, too, was one of the *conditions* to good health, national peace, prosperity, and individual happiness and joy. But the preachers tell you that's all done away. They tell you to eat pork, ham, bacon, oysters, clams, crab, and all the other foul, filthy, unclean animals. And GOD'S LAW, which is inexorable, takes its toll! The people are sickly and diseased, restless, discontented, full of fears and worries, unhappy and suffering, and now facing national captivity in war! The assurances of the false prophets *can't prevent the CURSES* hitting you for disobedience!

Also in the laws of this covenant are the commands on TITHING. The *first* tenth of every person's income belongs to God, not to the individual, and is to be paid to God's minister. Under the Old Covenant priesthood (Sinai) the tithes were paid to the Levites, then God's ministers. But, under the New Covenant, the Priesthood being changed to the spiritual ministry of Jesus Christ, a *change* (not an abolishing) is made in the tithing law, so that today everyone is directed to pay God's tithe to the truly called ministers of Jesus Christ (Heb. 7). But in Deut. 14:22-27, is written instruction for a *second* tithe, that is, a second tenth of income, to provide expense money for God's true people to attend God's festivals—the Passover in the Spring, and the Feast of Tabernacles in the Fall—at whatever place GOD shall designate. Not one American out of a hundred thousand has ever so much as *heard* of this second tithe, today! Those who practice it are greatly blessed. But the nation is under a divine CURSE!

Then there is a third tithe, once every three years, to be given to the poor.

"At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release. . . . Every creditor that lendeth unto his neighbor shall release it; he shall not exact it of his neighbor, or of his brother, because it is the Eternal's release" (Deut. 15:1-2). Yes, these ways which God commanded seem rather *strange*, don't they? People don't *dream* of the blessings they lose because they ignore them!

"Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover unto the Eternal thy God. . . . Seven days (following Passover) shalt thou eat unleavened bread . . . seven weeks (thereafter) shalt thou number unto thee . . . and thou shalt keep *the feast of weeks* (Pentecost) . . . and thou shalt REJOICE before the Eternal thy God . . . thou shalt observe the feast of Tabernacles seven days . . . and thou shalt REJOICE in thy festival" (Deut. 16:1, 3, 9-11, 13-14). People today don't even know what the month "Abib" is. It is GOD's first month of the year, but it is not the same as the pagan January. It begins in the Spring, when new life is budding forth in nature. But we have deserted God's calendar, and accepted the pagan calendar. We look on God's holy days as "Jewish holidays," have forsaken them which God enjoined FOREVER, and taken up, instead, with the pagan holidays. AND AMERICA IS UNDER A CURSE! Americans sneer at God's ways as tho they were evil. But AMERICANS ARE UNDER A CURSE, AND NOW HEADING RAPIDLY INTO NATIONAL DESTRUCTION!

Next, chapter 18, comes instruction against fortune-telling, astrology, seances, etc. Yet America is full of that today. In chapter 22:5, women are commanded not to wear clothing which pertains to men. But it's the STYLE to disobey God in America today! In chapter 23:19, "you must never exact interest upon a loan from a fellow-Israelite (a fellow-American today). . . . From a foreigner you may exact interest." In ch. 24:14 is a command against employers underpaying employes, or holding back their wages, and in 25:13, a command for giving full measure, honest weight—a full money's worth in any transaction.

What Is Prophesied to Befall Us!

Go thru this entire Book of instruction, BINDING ON US TODAY, and you'll see our people do *exactly the opposite* in every case!

Once we see these things thru the mind of God, the sins and ways and customs of our people today are shocking—APPALLING! That's how they appear to God. Our people are insolent, stiff-necked, rebellious, going their

OWN way, and like dumb sheep going to the slaughter!

Finally, chapter 28, "IF only you will listen carefully to what the Eternal your God orders, mindful to carry out all His commands which I enjoin upon you this day (40 years after Mt. Sinai covenant), then the Eternal your God will lift you high above all the nations of the earth, and all these blessings shall come upon you. You shall be blessed in town and country, blessed shall be the fruit of your body and of your ground, the young of your cattle and the lambs of your flock; full shall your basket be, and your kneading-trough. The foes who attack you the Eternal will rout before you; they may assail you all together, but they shall fly before you in all directions. The Eternal will command you to be blessed in your barn and in every enterprise to which you put your hand. . . . IF you obey the orders of the Eternal your God and live His life, so that when all nations on earth see you are owned by the Eternal, they may stand in awe of you. The Eternal will make you OVERFLOW WITH PROSPERITY. . . .

"BUT if you will not listen to the voice of the Eternal God . . . then shall all these CURSES come upon you and overtake you. Cursed shall you be in town and in country; cursed the fruit of your body and your ground . . . cursed shall you be when you start out and when you return home. The Eternal will send a curse on you, baffling you and thwarting you, whatever you put your hand to do, until YOU ARE RUINED AND PERISH RAPIDLY FOR YOUR EVIL-DOING IN FORSAKING ME. . . .

"All these curses shall come upon you and pursue you . . . till you are destroyed . . . these curses shall be a mark and portent upon you and your descendants FOR ALL TIME. . . . He will put an iron yoke upon your neck till you are destroyed. (Compare with Isa. 47:1-6, speaking of the DAUGHTER of ancient Babylon—the European Fascists of today putting a yoke on America's neck; and Jer. 30:7-8, where that yoke is finally broken and removed by Christ at His second coming). "The Eternal will bring on you a nation from the far ends of the earth, swooping like a vulture (airplanes), with a language you do not understand, with fierce looks, regardless of old folk and indifferent to the young.

"The Eternal will inflict on you and your descendents (our people today) amazing plagues, severe plagues and prolonged, diseases sore and prolonged; He will bring back upon you the diseases of Egypt (cancer, heart-failure, T.B., etc.). . . . You shall enjoy no ease . . . the Eternal will give you an anxious mind . . . a spirit that languishes away;

your life shall be lived in suspense, you shall be afraid (fear and worry) by night and by day, unable to have any confidence in life . . ." (Deut. 28:1 to the 29th chapter).

"SUCH WERE THE TERMS OF THE COMPACT which the Eternal ordered Moses to draw up with the Israelites in the land of Moab, in addition to the Compact which He had made with them at Horeb" (Deut. 29:1).

How YOU Personally May Escape

There it is!

Because Abraham did obey God, and keep His commandments, God stood bound to bring all these blessings upon our people. In Lev. 26 you will read how, thru Moses, God promises these blessings for Israel of that day IF they would follow His orders and live HIS WAY. But if they rebelled and refused, then they were to be driven into national captivity, and the promised blessings withheld 2550 years (seven times). That happened. The 2550 years expired in 1800 A.D.

ALL THESE GREAT NATIONAL BLESSINGS CAME TO BRITAIN AND AMERICA, after 1800 A.D. We have been privileged to enjoy them, not because we have kept God's ways, but because Abraham did (Gen. 26:5). But now God has fulfilled His promise to Abraham.

And now, from here, America is to be blessed, or cursed, ACCORDING TO HER OWN DEEDS. And America today is breaking every order of God's compact, and already beginning to suffer EVERY CURSE listed as a penalty. GOD SAVE AMERICA! God help America to wake up, and come to her senses!

AMERICA TODAY STANDS DOOMED!

The destruction will come from the place we least expect. Not Russia, but from Germany, and the Europe we are helping today—THE EUROPE TODAY SAPPING OUR STRENGTH!

If you hear ministers DENYING this coming doom, assuring the people of PEACE, telling them to do that which is right in their own eyes, and that God's commands are done away, just read Jer. 23:16-17, 31-32, and Ezek. 34:1-10, and I John 2:4.

God help us to UNDERSTAND, and be not deceived!

But you—you, personally, whose eyes have now read this warning—if you will turn to God, forsaking your own way and the ways and customs of the people, repenting, and seeking God thru Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, giving your very SELF to HIM, dedicating your life to Him, and to live by every word of the Bible—YOU CAN DELIVER

YOUR OWN SOUL FROM THE TRIBULATIONS AND THE PLAGUES TO COME!

"WATCH ye therefore" — yes, WATCH world events fulfil prophecy—"and PRAY ALWAYS, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man" (Luke 21:36). So warned, and promised, Jesus Christ!

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Corporation. He is one of the world's greatest mechanical engineers. He began his career under personal instruction from Thomas A. Edison, under whom he worked and studied eight years. Mr. Peterson invented the self-starter, block on the motor, oil pump and pressure lubricating system thru the crankshaft, the differential, and other improvements on the automobile.

A Different Kind of College

The breakdown in modern civilization—this world in chaos, staring annihilation in the face—is the direct result of WRONG EDUCATION.

Modern education is almost wholly materialistic. It has become mass-education, employing assembly-line methods. It is based on an erroneous concept toward knowledge, and a false philosophy of life. It has not retained GOD in its knowledge. It has utterly rejected His divine revelation of essential basic knowledge. Therefore those educated in this world's institutions grope in the dark, accept and believe foolish FABLES which they suppose to be "science," stumble on thru life in ignorance of THE LAWS OF LIFE which alone can produce real success, happiness, peace, and joy.

At Ambassador our whole approach to knowledge is different. It is sound, common-sense, practical. Our approach is the divine revelation of God, thru His Word, the Bible. Of course mathematics and exact sciences are the same regardless of approach or concepts or philosophies. But the most important thing in education—an understanding of the PURPOSE of life, and a right understanding of HOW TO LIVE, is something utterly foreign to this world's education.

It is because Ambassador differs so widely in these directions that we ourselves believe it is the BEST college on earth today! Those who really have this vision could never attend any other. They are the kind of students we want.

Campus Life

While it isn't academic to say so, it is our personal opinion that Ambassador College is privileged to have the most beautiful campus in America. The grounds are magnificently landscaped, replete with fountains, pools, trellises, ornamental retaining walls, and our "Italian theatre" in the lower garden which forms the stage, or rostrum, for a beautiful out-door auditorium. The three buildings are superbly constructed. The campus is small, but ample for the limited enrollment—four acres of magnificent beauty.

Students live in our fine student residence, "Mayfair," on the campus. Of course all students know each other. Campus life is interesting, invigorating. Here students, mostly from humble homes and working their way thru, imbued with high ideals and filled with zeal, and a right attitude toward life, live and work together in a cultural atmosphere it is the privilege of but few to enjoy. Students here are kept busy. Their schedules must be methodically planned. But there is time for relaxation and fun as well as serious thought, study, and work.

Social life is not neglected. A number of special social occasions are held throughout the year. Development of personality, poise, good manners, culture is a necessary part of true education to fit one for success in life.

Field trips are taken as a part of the educational program. Students are privileged to attend important lectures, concerts, and visit places of high educational interest in the Los Angeles district.

Write for College Bulletin

This is but a brief summary of the college and its activities. High school

graduation is required for enrollment. We especially desire an increase in girl students this fall, and indications point to this. High school graduates, or those who have had not more than one year of college elsewhere, or their parents, who are interested in this different kind of college are urged to write *immediately* for the college Bulletin for the 1950-51 year. If possible, send a snap-shot or photograph, and information about high school graduation or other education.

Students will arrive in time for opening Student Assembly at 1 P.M., Tuesday, September 5. Time is growing short. For the college Bulletin, address AMBASSADOR COLLEGE, or Herbert W. Armstrong, P.O. Box 111, Pasadena, Calif.

HAPPINESS is that elusive something sought by every person. Yet no one has ever yet been able to reach out and take it. It doesn't come that way. You have it only as you GIVE it.

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A thing worth doing is worth doing RIGHT. If it isn't important enough to do the very best you can, it isn't worth doing at all. Never half-way do anything.

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KNOWLEDGE is of no value except as it is *used*. Not the hearers, but the *doers* of the law shall be justified. The command to STUDY is for the purpose of putting the instruction into action that we may 'show' ourselves approved unto God. And therefore it is written, "A good UNDERSTANDING have all they that *do* His commandments." Since the purpose of the knowledge is to *do*, the doing is the *condition* to acquiring right

knowledge. Bible study is of value only in proportion as the knowledge revealed is incorporated into your character in actually *living it*.

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GENIUS is only the power of making continuous efforts. The line between failure and success is so fine that we scarcely know when we pass it: so fine that we are often on the line and do not know it. How many a man has thrown up his hands at a time when a little more effort, a little more patience, would have achieved success. As the tide goes clear out, so it comes clear in. A little more persistence, a little more effort, and what seemed hopeless failure may turn to glorious success.

There is no failure except in no longer trying. There is no defeat except from within, no really unsurmountable barrier save our own inherent weakness of purpose.

—Elbert Hubbard

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