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"Which say they are Jews..." (Spiritual Israel)! Revelation 3:9

By Gordon F. Nelson

January 27, 1995 marked the 50th anniversary of Auschwitz, where as many as 1,500 Jews were cremated almost daily. Railroad cattle cars were used to transport the Jews to Auschwitz. Only those able to work escaped the crematoriums. Sophisticated America that has murdered 30 million unborn babies since the legalization of abortion, would rather believe Auschwitz never happened. This was not just the work of one man, Adolph Hitler. Hitler alone could not be responsible for the death of six million Jews and, as D. James Kennedy reports, nine million Christians, in his "final solution" to creating a perfect Aryan race.

60 Minutes interviewed a German woman who had stumbled upon some old magazines and newspapers that were published prior to the rise of Hitler. She has since written a couple of books on the subject. In these old newspapers, the Roman Catholic Church was crying out against the Jews as "Christ-killers". Roman Catholicism stood behind both Hitler and Italy's Mussolini; the infamous "Axis" powers. Some Americans, influenced by their respect for Catholicism, believe Auschwitz and its horrors is some kind of Jewish plot that never really happened.

America is lulled to sleep in the cradle of Robert Schuller's "positive thinking". Auschwitz doesn't fit into Norman Vincent Peale's "mind over matter" philosophy: just put your head in the sand like an ostrich, and pray it will all go away. The Fundamentalist can't seem to find Auschwitz in 1 Corinthians 13: certainly not a sign of "agape love", and they are disciples of love. Don't mention Auschwitz to us! The Pentecostals are so high, they are drunk on "laughing in the Spirit". Sorry, it is none of our concern and, after all, we're not Jewish. But sir, remember, Hitler murdered nine million Christians as well!

The only difference between the New Age religion and Nazism is that Hitler had the Jews as the number one enemy, and Christians as number two. The New Age merely reverses the order, placing Christians as number one, and Jews as number two. Could we be slated for a crematorium right here in America? We are already murdering the unborn and the sick and elderly (Dr. Kevorkian). Is it any big thing to add one more to the list--born again Christians?

What would be the reason for the gas chambers? "Homophobic", a new word which has been concocted meaning one that can't tolerate homosexuality as a legitimate lifestyle. You will be discriminated against at the workplace, because you have a "disease" -- you're a homophobic.

We are living in a serious hour. America has lost its moorings, having joined into the spirit of one-world religion. "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved (cremated), what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God." 2 Peter 3:11-12. We need to readjust our priorities. Forget about all this "abundant life" preaching and become a witness (Gk.-martyr). We were born to die, just like our master. "And they

overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death." Revelation 12:11. "The disciple is not above his master." Matthew 10:24.

Arbeit macht frei--"Work sets you free". Nimrod built the Tower of Babel on slave labor. "Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter." Genesis 11:3. The Nazis used the Jewish men to build the crematoriums. The women and children and elderly who were unable to work in the "slime pits", were cremated first. Imagine the humiliation of laying brick to build the crematorium that eventually becomes your own graveyard.

Auschwitz should speak to us when we give unlimited power to any one person, whether in or out of the church. We are influenced by the spirit of Antichrist, who will proclaim that he is God's representative on earth. Many of you already serve a self-proclaimed Messiah as "lord". Many will come in His Name proclaiming "I am Christ", or a "little god". This is all attainable in the New Age religion, Mormonism, the occult, and with the "word-faith" followers of Essek William Kenyon.

I would never question your "born again" experience, but look at you now. You have been overcome by a "human savior", or as the Bible terms it, "lords over God's heritage." 1 Peter 5:3. Sojourning in this Pentecostal jungle is like walking through a forest loaded with mine fields, and not many escape.

"For when they speak great swelling words of vanity (they are little gods), they allure through the lusts of the flesh (prosperity and abundance), through much wantonness (Gk.-licentiousness-license to sin under grace), those that were clean escaped from them who live in error. While they promise them liberty (dancing, slain in the Spirit, holy laughter), they themselves are the servants of corruption (dictatorship rule): for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage." 2 Peter 2:18-19.

No question but that you were saved, but like any baby we seek an emotional love (one we can feel). The charlatan in religion knows how to appeal to the cries and needs of a baby Christian that is so dependent on the "touch" and extra attention. Without love, a baby will die!

It's a shame to hear the reports of how Mormons will work a Billy Graham altar call by the follow up on a crusade. A baby will respond to those showing the most affection. Guess who shows up knocking at your door following your conversion? A baby Christian doesn't know the difference between true Christian faith and that which the cults teach. The Mormon and Jehovah's Witnesses showed love; the Christian never followed up. The explosion of the cults started with Billy Graham's "Go to the church of your choice." What does a baby know about choice?

"Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews (spiritual Israel), and are not, but do lie..." Revelation 3:9. It is a serious charge to claim you are the "Israel of God". God's Word declares you are of the "synagogue of Satan" when you propagate such a lie. These liars, mentioned in Revelation 3:9, contribute to the unbelief of Auschwitz. They claim they are Israel. Indirectly, by their declaration, they are claiming that Jews are impostors.

The Apostle John was addressing the Gentile church of Philadelphia when he recognized an element, like "leaven", calling themselves Jews (Rev. 3:9) working right in "the church of the firstborn." Hebrews 12:23.

The Bible says, "Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear." 1 Timothy 5:20. It also says, "that ye all speak the same thing...be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." 1 Corinthians 1:10. Jew-baiters continually muddy the water by division.

"The greatest Jewish bitterness surrounds the figure of Pope Pius XII, whose lengthy pontifical reign spanned the periods before World War II. He has been accused of looking the other way and remaining silent when the Nazis murdered millions of Jews--and non-Jews--in the death camps of the Holocaust, and he remains to this day the subject of painful controversy among Catholics. He has been accused of failing to marshal the moral authority of the Holy See to protest Hitler. After the death of Pius XII in 1958, it was Roncalli who was elected Pope, taking the name John XXIII, and moving the Church in new directions with the convocation of the Second Vatican Council four years later. Under his influence, the Council adopted in 1965 the Nostra Aetate declaration, affirming that Jesus' crucifixion "cannot be blamed on all Jews living without distinction, nor upon the Jews of today."

This was the greatest turning point in nearly two millennia of Christian-Jewish relations, dialogue and collaboration on the great issues of the day. Under the new teaching of the Church, Jews could no longer be called "Christ killers".

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From Constantine to Pope John XXIII, Jews have been termed "Christ-killers" by the Roman Catholic Church. Catholic dogma teaches that Catholicism is the "Israel of God" and has held that Jerusalem should be its capital city, not Rome.

"For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep." 1 Corinthians 29:30. If you fall asleep reading this letter, it is because you are blind spiritually! Religions that claim to be the 144,000, or the "Israel of God", are "not discerning the Lord's body" properly.

	Non-Discerners of the Lord's Body
Name of Religion	<u>Basis</u>
Roman Catholic Church	Peter, the first Pope, therefore they are the only true church due to apostolic succession;
Seventh Day Adventist	You're guilty of the mark of the beast by attending church on Sunday as a Sabbath breaker;
Jehovah's Witnesses	They are the 144,000, thus the only ones to be saved by Jehovah;
Church of God	Name taken from the Bible, hence the only true church;
United Pentecostal	You must be baptized in Jesus' name only to be saved: Father and Holy Ghost non-existent;
Dr. Cecil J. Lowry	Ex-president of an Assembly of God Bible Collegea Jew baiter always owns the church;
Resurrection of Jesus Christ Church	The Jews are not Israel, but the European-Americans are;
British-Israel Doctrine	The Anglo-Saxon people are the "ten lost tribes of Israel";
The Mormon Church	The only church to have twelve apostles, therefore they are the "Israel of God";
Baptist churches	Those Baptist's who only baptize members! Saved by water;
Dominion Theology	Earl Paulk does not recognize Israel;
Christian Research Institute	Walter Martin labeled the Nazarene Church as a cult;
Resurrection of Jesus Christ	Israel as a nation is eternally lost;
Pentecostalism prior to David du Plessis	

Now, a half century later, those who escaped the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camps in Oswiecim, Poland celebrate their deliverance. The Jews have been in a persistent struggle for fifty years so Auschwitz, Birkenau, and the other death camps should not be forgotten. Finally, and at great reluctance, President Lech Walesa of Poland, a devout Roman Catholic, acknowledged what the world's Jews had demanded he make clear--that the Nazi's premier slaughterhouse was, above all, a place of Jewish suffering.

Survivors of the death camps came! Some wore the striped prison camp uniform, and others wore the yellow Star of David that marked them as Jews. Dignitaries and survivors arrived with the sound of sirens wailing from the guardhouse gate through which the prisoners had arrived, having been transported in cattle cars. They all listened to the prayers of five different religions, ending with the Jewish prayer for the dead by the rabbi of Warsaw.

At the spot where the prisoners were selected for death or hard labor, the flames of large candles flickered in the evening breeze. No Russian spoke at the ceremony. It was the Russian Red Army that liberated 5,200 prisoners near death, but, no liberating Russian soldier was permitted to attend. In Bonn, Germany, Chancellor Helmut Kohl called Auschwitz "the darkest and most terrible chapter in German history."

No official Polish representative attended the Jewish observance where the president of the European-Jewish Congress accused Poland's president of organizing "a nationalist celebration" that diminishes the Holocaust's Jewish dimension. Prominent Jews tried to mend relations with the Catholic Poles. President Walesa agreed to the Jewish terms that the main target of the Nazi genocide plan was to exterminate all Polish Jews at Auschwitz, where 1-1/2 million were cremated.

Protestants, as they watch <u>Schindler's List</u>, Stephen Spielberg's finest film of the Holocaust, try to seek a neutral position. Like Pilate, they attempt to wash the blood of Auschwitz from off their hands.

It was Nazi propaganda minister Joseph Goebbels who said, "When you tell a lie, tell a big one, and then repeat it often. The majority will be persuaded the lie is the truth." Much of the unbelief that Auschwitz never existed, can be attributed to some Carmelite nuns who established a convent in a structure next to Auschwitz. The Jewish groups resented these nuns and their views of Auschwitz.

The very presence of these nuns next door to a crematorium where more than a million and a half Jews had been exterminated was a religious desecration. These Carmelite nuns became a major international controversy, and pressure mounted to have Pope John Paul II expel the nuns.

The Pope did not yield to the pressure of having these Carmelite nuns excommunicated. Instead, they chose to leave the matter to be settled by the Cardinal of Moscow, to whose archdiocese Oswiecim belonged. But despite an agreement to relocate the nuns to another structure not far away, the Carmelite departure was continuously delayed with growing criticism of John Paul II.

Last April, with the approach of the 50th anniversary of the "Warsaw Ghetto Uprising", the Pope took matters into his own hands, ordering the Carmelites to leave--thus ending one of the most disturbing post war Jewish-Catholic incidents in Poland.

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Where were the Protestant voices objecting to these Carmelite nuns? Jews from all over the world were disturbed. "They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service." John 16:2. Friend, Jews and Christians must stick together, for divided we fall.

The Arabs, who are of the loins of Abraham through Ishmael, also believe they are the true "Israel of God", and believe Jerusalem should be their headquarters, just like Catholicism. In fact, three major religions claim Jerusalem: Christians (Catholic and Protestant), the Zionist Jew, and the Moslems.

"And through his policy...and by peace shall destroy many." Daniel 8:25. Of course, this scripture is speaking of the Antichrist, and how he will come into power. Is Pope John Paul II laying a foundation for a policy of peace for the next Pope who follows him? Just as Pope Pius inherited this policy of peace from Pope John XXIII, the present Pope anticipates handing the baton to the Pope succeeding him. It is the Pope following the one receiving the baton that is of concern. Will he be the Biblical false prophet of scripture?

Jack Van Impe declares that even Pope John Paul is concerned about this final Pope. Strangely, there is only enough room to hang in the Vatican the pictures of two more Popes following this present one. The <u>Southwest Radio Church of the Air</u> reports that one of the present Cardinals is a Jew. It would be interesting indeed, if this final Pope was a Jew. I believe that Pope will be the false prophet described in scripture (Revelation 16:13, 19:20 and 20:10). The New Age religion will have taken over Roman Catholicism during the reign of this final Pope. Catholicism ceases, and "Mystery Babylon" rules from Rome. Revelation 17:5.

We have already viewed on television Catholic women clamoring for their abortion rights, giving us a preview of coming events once Pope John Paul II is dead. Talk about Laodicea meaning, "judgment of the people"! These Catholic women say they are the church. I am afraid succeeding Popes will not be able to defy their thirst for blood (the abortion issue) as has Pope John Paul.

This most beloved Pope inherited the new direction set by Pope John XXIII when he declared that Jews are no longer to be considered "Christ-killers". It was a course of "peace and reconciliation". Jews were no longer "Christ-killers", and Protestants were given the new title of "separated brethren", and no longer regarded as heathen by the Church. Let me ask you. Doesn't this "ceasing of persecution" remind you of the Edit of Constantine?

Rome would have lost had she continued feeding Christians to the lions under Nero. The very Roman guards would have been converted! Rome had never seen men dying with the high praises of God upon their lips. Foxe's Book of Martyrs declares that ten people would be converted to the faith for every martyr dying for Jesus Christ. The Edict of Constantine ceased the persecution, however, through a policy of peace and compromise, the world was latter thrown into the Dark Ages.

There are only three main religions. All three stem from a common root--the loins of Abraham. Christianity takes its roots back to Father Abraham, as does the Jewish religion and the Moslems through Ishmael. All three desire Jerusalem to represent their religion.

In the ensuing years, you are going to see a unison between the Zionist movement, Christianity and the Moslem world. "And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty." Revelation 16:13,14.

At the very time Pope John Paul reached out to the Jew, he entertained at the Vatican the President of Hungary, a former Nazi, and more recently, has been just as concerned over Arafat and the PLO as over Israel. It is like "speaking in other tongues". You have to "give the utterance". The words are being formed now, but the spirit of these devils (frogs) will speak a common language that Christianity, Zionism, and Islam will comprehend.

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that WATCHETH, and keepeth his garments (righteousness), lest he walk naked (fig leaf of religion is Laodicea), and they see his shame." Revelation 16:15. "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. And I John saw these things (the three frogs, etc.) and heard them...Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand." Revelation 22: 7, 8,10. You do not seal this book!

Daniel was instructed, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." Daniel 12:4. It is that time of unfolding of the prophecies of this book. This is the clue as to who has "the testimony of Jesus". Daniel, to my knowledge, healed no one, but certainly had "the testimony of Jesus". "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy"--not signs and wonders. Revelation 19:10. The false prophets will not comprehend the clear teaching of the Word of God.

"For the time is at hand." Revelation 22:10. This is referring to the book, not the coming of Christ! It is time for God to unfold the mysteries of Revelation and Daniel. It is time for you to start reading Daniel and Revelation. "For the time is at hand!" Do you believe God will unveil that which Daniel was told to "seal up"? When God begins to unveil the book to your understanding, you need to stand in His holy place. "Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah". Psalm 24:3-6

It is too late to be worrying about the ungodly. Rather be concerned about your own garments, that you don't appear naked. "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy (homosexual), let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him (continue to) be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." Revelation 22:11. The "go ye's" have already went! You "stand in the holy place."

"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready." Revelation 19:7. The church is the bride of Christ. Can you imagine a beautiful bride in her beautiful white wedding gown going down to skid row and become a "tar baby". You can't touch these abortionists, homosexuals, adulteresses, without some of the "tar" getting smeared all over your wedding garment. It is too late for that. "Stand in the holy place." Pray for them, but

involvement now will dirty your own garment. "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and KEEPETH HIS GARMENTS, <u>lest he walk naked</u>, and they see his shame." Revelation 16:15.

Apparently, you can lose your garment by not heeding "stand in the holy place". "Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not...Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not." Matthew 24:23, 26. "Stand in the holy place!"

"And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: and he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless." Matthew 22:11-12. He was a man that was "justified by works". He simply could not stand on the merits of grace alone for his justification. So quickly he lost his salvation by "doing". "Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace." Galatians 5:4. When you are fallen from grace, you are on the road to hell.

Next time you run into a so-called Christian brother that asks you, "What are you doing for Jesus Christ?", give them the correct answer: "I am standing!" "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand (Gk.-oppose, resist) in the evil day (first $3\frac{1}{2}$ years), and having done all, to stand." Ephesians 6:13. Had the man with religion been able to "stand in the holy place" in the evil day, he would still have a wedding garment. Not much unconditional eternal security to that story! We must endure $3\frac{1}{2}$ years with the Antichrist as a politician. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." Matthew 10:22.

It is the last 3½ years that is called the great and dreadful day, or the Great Tribulation period. This is the period of time the church escapes by rapture. "And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come." 1 Thessalonians 1:10. The first 3½ years is the wrath of Antichrist upon the church. The last 3½ years is the wrath of God on Antichrist and his followers. "Neither repented they of their murders (abortion, euthanasia, and the killing of Christians), nor of their sorceries (New Age religion), nor of their fornications (refusal of marriage), nor of their thefts (refusal to work, and thus stealing from the public dole). "Revelation 9:21.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We welcome your letters and comments.

Just like Rush Limbaugh, those that disagree get first priority!

Editor's Response

To Pastor Glen D. Cole, Pastor, Capital Christian Center, Sacramento:

I would first off wish to thank you for your letter addressed to the *RIVERBANK NEWS*. I understand fully your motives are completely altruistic, having our best interests at heart. In the area of communication, and believing our sources are authentic, we can be dead wrong! Your letter really should have been directed to Paul Young, executive vice president of the Christian Research Institute. I quoted, verbatim, the report C.R.I. gave on a national radio broadcast across America. I am not alone in feeling that Paul Young wouldn't intentionally tell a lie about Benny Hinn's ordination. My source was in error! For that I ask your apology and forgiveness.

A couple of years ago, over your own radio broadcast, you incorrectly quoted from what you too thought was a reliable source. Your source caused you to say over the radio that Hal Lindsay said that "Gorbachev was the Antichrist." I only quote this instance to show how human the best of us are when we totally rely on a "reliable source" for authenticity. Now, I know you too well to even doubt for one moment that your motive wasn't pure in attempting to correct Hal Lindsay. Of course, I phoned Hal immediately and was shocked to learn of your statement.

Elders (plural) collectively lead the sheep. "There is no instance in the early church of a single elder." C.I. Scofield. It is to this "Brotherhood of Elders" (1 Peter 2:17) the sheep submit as unto the Lord in a local assembly.

Your church has "government", so my qualm is not with you. Sacramento is blessed to have a "Mega Church" that is not owned by the preacher. I have been in this one religion, Pentecostalism, for 53 years. One does not have to have a gift of prophecy, or ability to prophesy in a "prophetic tone" to forecast what "greed and power" does to one man who sets himself up as a "lord over God's heritage". "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." Proverbs 16:18.

You haven't walked where I have walked! Do you think it is with a sense of joy when I have to relate how Betty Burke, the 15-year-old president of my faith class was raped by C. Thomas Patton? A beautiful 17-year-old, Carol Rydon, had to be deported to Seattle to have her baby because of Dr. Bebe H. Patton's husband. I was there to see her leave school.

Like Jerry Falwell said, "A scandal in my church like that of Jimmy Swaggart could never hit the newspapers. The board would have me on the carpet and I would be out the door." The newspapers would be a day late and a dollar short on their story.

In Pentecostalism, where a preacher like Robert Tilton owns millions of dollars of realty, only the courts can bring him down. This is true of no other religion but Pentecostalism that seems to operate so completely on emotionalism.

These "Holy Rollers" are as guilty as the preacher, for the scripture teaches us to be wise stewards and to be diligent in business. No other religion would knowingly give their money to a "family-owned religious non-profit organization".

If you have some profound wisdom, gleaned over your 40 years with the Assemblies of God, on how one can curtail these charlatans of religion--I'm all ears!

Frederick K.C. Price's salary is \$1 million a year. You've been pastoring four times as long as Frederick Price, and I doubt your salary comes anywhere near his. Why? You have government--he doesn't!

If my little mailer upsets folks, it's only proof why the church needs the Antichrist. She will never be perfected in the abundant life, prosperity, positive thinking and success preaching of this hour as evidenced by the <u>Hour of Power</u> which has "trickled down" and infiltrated all our churches.

As we approach a day of darkness, persecution of the church will create strange bedfellows. Honoring you as an elder with sound judgment,

Gordon F. Nelson Watchman of the Coming Night

P.S. On the "seven deadly sins", I discovered the most deceptive on the list is pride. We think we are serving God, as "lords", "hirelings" and "little gods", when in reality we are serving ourselves. Only a return to "Biblical Eldership" (the Greek presbuteros), thus the creation of a true "Brotherhood", could pride be dealt a severe blow.

"The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Revelation 19:10.

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