

# The Roots of the Muslim Brotherhood and Survivalist Theology

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Shabbat Shalom Brethren,

Many of you need to read this entire article at

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mohammad Amin al-Husayni](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mohammad_Amin_al-Husayni)

He met dictator Adolf Hitler in 1941 in Germany. He asked Hitler to back Arab independence and requested that Nazi Germany oppose, as part of the Pan-Arab struggle, the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine (the future creation of Israel). The Muslim Mufti was paid "an absolute fortune" of 50,000 marks a month (when a German field marshal was making 25,000 marks a year).[ According to the American report, al-Husayni energetically recruited Muslims for the SS, the Nazi Party's elite military command, was promised that he would be installed as the leader of Palestine after German troops had driven out the British and exterminated the more than 350,000 Jews living there[10]. During the 1948 Arab-Israeli War he represented the Arab Higher Committee and opposed both the 1947 UN Partition Plan and King Abdullah's ambitions for expanding Jordan by capturing parts of Palestine.

On November 20, al-Husayni met the German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop[125] and was officially received by Adolf Hitler on November 28.[126] He asked Hitler for a public declaration that "recognized and sympathized with the Arab struggles for independence and liberation, and that would support the elimination of a national Jewish homeland".[123] Hitler refused to make such a public announcement, saying that it would strengthen the Gaullists against the Vichy France,[126] but asked al-Husayni to 'to lock ... deep in his heart' the following points, which Browning summarizes as follows, that 'Germany has resolved, step by step, to ask one European nation after the other to solve its Jewish problem, and at the proper time, direct a similar appeal to non-European nations as well'. When Germany had defeated Russia and broken through the Caucasus into the Middle East, it would have no further imperial goals of its own and would support Arab liberation... But Hitler did have one goal. "Germany's objective would then be solely the destruction of the Jewish element residing in the Arab sphere under the protection of British power". (Das deutsche Ziel würde dann lediglich die Vernichtung des im arabischen Raum unter der Protektion der britischen Macht

lebenden Judentums sein). In short, Jews were not simply to be driven out of the German sphere but would be hunted down and destroyed even beyond it.'[127]

Amin el-Hussaini would help to get the Brotherhood organized.

**[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim\\_Brotherhood](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim_Brotherhood)**

Underground links to the Nazis began during the 1930s and were close during the Second World War, involving agitation against the British, espionage and sabotage, as well as support for terrorist activities orchestrated by Haj in British Mandate Palestine, as a wide range of declassified documents from the British, American and Nazi German governmental archives, as well as from personal accounts and memoirs from that period, confirm.[33] Reflecting this connection the Muslim Brotherhood also disseminated Hitler's Mein Kampf and The Protocols of the Elders of Zion widely in Arab translations, helping to deepen and extend already existing hostile views about Jews and democracy in Western societies generally.[34]

In November 1948 police seized an automobile containing the documents and plans of what was thought to be the Brotherhood's "secret apparatus" (its military wing) with names of its members. The seizure was preceded by an assortment of bombings and assassination attempts by the apparatus. Subsequently 32 of its leaders were arrested and its offices raided. [6]

The next month the Prime Minister of Egypt, Mahmud Fahmi Nokrashi, ordered the dissolution of the Brotherhood.

In what is thought to be retaliation for these acts, a member of the Brotherhood, veterinary student Abdel Meguid Ahmed Hassan, assassinated the Prime Minister on December 28, 1948. A month and half later Al-Banna himself was killed in Cairo by men believed to be government agents and/or supporters of the murdered premier.

The Brotherhood has been an illegal organization, tolerated to varying degrees, since 1954 when it was convicted of the attempt to assassinate Gamal Abdel Nasser, head of the Egyptian government. The group had denied involvement in the incident and accused the government of staging the incident to use it as a pretext to persecute the group and its members. On this basis from 1954 until Nasser's death in 1970, thousands of Muslim Brotherhood members were systematically tortured under Nasser's secular regime, highlighted in Zainab al Ghazali's Return of the Pharaoh. More recently, since the mid-2000s, some young Muslim Brotherhood members have publicly identified themselves as members of the banned organizations on their blogs, where they have been critical of both the existing system as well as aspects of the Muslim Brotherhood organization itself.[35]

The Brotherhood is still periodically subjected to mass arrests. It remains the largest opposition group in Egypt, advocating Islamic reform, democratic system and maintaining a vast network of support through Islamic charities working among poor Egyptians.[36] The political direction it has been taking lately has tended towards more moderate secular "Islamism" and so-called Islamic Democracy.

In the 2005 parliamentary elections, the Brotherhood's candidates, who had to run as independents due to their illegality as a political party, won 88 seats (20% of the total) to form the largest opposition bloc. The electoral process was marred by many irregularities, including the arrest of hundreds of Brotherhood members. One observer, Jameel Theyabi, writing in an op-ed for Dar Al-Hayat, noted that a December 2006 campus demonstration by Muslim Brotherhood university students that included the "wearing of uniforms, displaying the phrase, 'We Will be Steadfast', and the drills involving martial arts, betray the group's intent to plan for the creation of militia structures, and a return by the group to the era of 'secret cells'...." .[37]

Of course, the huge gains in the 2005 parliamentary elections allowed the Brotherhood to pose "a democratic political challenge to the regime, not a theological one" .[38] Initially, there has been widespread skepticism regarding the movement's commitment to use its influence to push Egypt forward towards a democratic state. For instance, briefly after the elections Sameh Fawzy remarked in the Al-Ahram Weekly newspaper, "If the Muslim Brotherhood were in a position to enforce its ideological monopoly, the vast majority of the populace would face severe restrictions on its freedom of opinion and belief, not just on religious matters, but on social, political, economic and cultural affairs as well"

It was this Islamic brotherhood that would rise up and kill Anwar Sadat in 1981 for making peace with Israel. And it was Hosni Mubarak who was the Vice President at the time and has kept the brotherhood down ever since.

**<http://middleeast.about.com/od/egypt/a/me081006a.htm>**

The Assassination of Egypt's Anwar Sadat

October 6, 1981

By Pierre Tristam

What Sadat Was Celebrating that Day

Oct. 7, 1981 marked Egypt's Armed Forces Day, so called in commemoration of the Egyptian Third Army's launching of a surprise attack on that day in 1973 against Israeli forces occupying the Sinai since 1967. The Third Army pushed Israeli forces back toward Israel for several days until an American weapons airlift helped Israel turn the tide in what became known as the Yom Kippur war. Egypt's Third Army was encircled in turn, but not annihilated. Israel and Egypt settled for stalemate—a settlement largely seen as a moral victory for Egypt and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

The war strengthened Sadat's hand vis-à-vis Israel, enabling him to launch his next bold move to break the stalemate: his famous visit to Jerusalem in 1977, which opened the way for negotiations between Egypt and Israel, culminating in the Camp David accords of 1978 and the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty signed in 1979.

Sadat and Egypt were celebrating all those accomplishments—Sadat celebrating the peace accord more than the rest of Egypt, however—on Oct. 7, 1981.

The Assassination

French Mirage jet fighters, part of the day's pageantry, screeched overhead at the very moment when several soldiers riding in a truck that was part of the military parade jumped to the ground and strode toward the reviewing stand. Most people watching, including, presumably, the people in the stand, believed the soldiers were conducting a pre-arranged performance. In a way, they were.

One soldier threw a grenade while others opened fire at Sadat and his entourage. One soldier was seen in a semi-crouch, taking aim and firing. Pandemonium immediately broke out in the stands as people rushed for cover, trampling others who'd either been hit or were frozen in shock. Blood pooled in the stands immediately.

Sadat was rushed to Maadi Military Hospital, where he arrived without a heartbeat. He was pronounced dead at 2:40 p.m. local time due, according to a hospital bulletin, to "violent nervous shock and internal bleeding in the chest cavity, where the left lung and major blood vessels below it were torn."

Hosni Mubarak, Egypt's vice president at the time, assumed power and in a speech to the Egyptian nation seven hours after the assassination said that Egypt was "committed to all charters, treaties, and international obligations that Egypt has concluded." That sent a sigh of relief whistling around the globe, but in Israel and Washington in particular, and less so in Egypt, where Mubarak used the assassination as an excuse to declare martial law. The law was subsequently referred to by its euphemism, the "emergency law." It has remained in effect ever since.

#### The Attackers

The attackers included four enlisted men, an army major and a lieutenant. The major and two enlisted men were killed in the swarm around the reviewing stand, once other members of the military realized what was taking place. The rest were arrested. The attackers would eventually come to be identified as Islamist nationalists associated with the Muslim Brotherhood under the name of Islamic Jihad.

The group was subsequently found to have hatched the assassination plot with Al Gamaa al-Islamiyya, a Brotherhood offshoot that would, in the mid-1990s, develop ties with al-Qaeda and be chiefly responsible for the 1997 terrorist attack in Luxor on Nov. 17, 1997, when six men dressed in black attacked tourists visiting the famous site in Upper Egypt. Sixty-two men, women and children were killed.

Among the group's leaders: Ayman al-Zawahiri, subsequently al-Qaeda's Number 2. Zawahiri was tried and imprisoned for three years for his role in the plot, then expelled from Egypt.

Al Gamaa al-Islamiyya accused Sadat of apostasy and condemned him for the peace treaty he'd signed with Israel. Not keen on irony, Sadat's attackers had killed him the one day he celebrated what he and Egypt perceived as a victory over Israel.

Israel will have an enemy force to the north, and they will also have one now to the West in Egypt after the fall of Hosni Mubarak. This new Egypt will be led by the Brotherhood if not at first then by elections or civil war.

Will Jordan be next as Iran makes all of these strategic moves in this giant game of geopolitics? Jordan has 65% of its population as Palestinians and only 35% are Hashemite. Jordan is also currently undergoing close integration with the European Union and the Gulf Cooperation Council. Jordan enjoys "advanced status with the European Union.

Jerusalem suddenly loses two nations on the west and the east who were basically negotiable. Now Jerusalem has and is about to become surrounded and in need of help; Lebanon and Syria on the North controlled by Iran, Egypt on the west controlled by whomever and then Jordan on the east which currently is stable but that could soon change. Jerusalem will be looking for help and they will not turn to Yehovah. That help will come from Europe and not the USA. This will cause conflict between the US and the European Empire due to the control over the oil and oil routes and Suez Canal which will fester until the US is destroyed in 2020.

Order The Prophecies of Abraham today and watch the DVD and begin to understand the Chronological order of prophetic events as they are to come. Tell everyone you know to read this book and know what is taking place and why.

Here are some frontline pictures one sister has sent me from Egypt.

[http://totallycoolpix.com/2011/01/the-egypt-protests/?sms\\_ss=facebook&at\\_xt=4d43321e92f98a9a%2C0](http://totallycoolpix.com/2011/01/the-egypt-protests/?sms_ss=facebook&at_xt=4d43321e92f98a9a%2C0)

After writing the above I then received the following article.

Hamas gunmen from Gaza battle Egyptian forces in Sinai  
DEBKAFfile Exclusive Report January 30, 2011, 2:26 PM (GMT+02:00)

Hamas opens Palestinian front against Egyptian regime

Gunmen of Hamas's armed wing, Ezz e-Din al Qassam, crossed from Gaza into northern Sinai Sunday, Jan. 30 to attack Egyptian forces and push them back. They acted on orders from Hamas' parent organization, the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood, confirmed by its bosses in Damascus, to open a second, Palestinian front against the Mubarak regime. The Muslim Brotherhood is therefore more active in the uprising than it would appear.

Consider what it means when you know the Muslim Brotherhood is active in this process and is in league with the Palestinian forces which are in league with Iranian forces. Then consider what Isaiah has to say in Isa 19:1 The message concerning Mitsrayim. See, ???? is riding on a swift cloud, and He shall come into Mitsrayim. And the idols of Mitsrayim shall tremble at His presence, and the heart of Mitsrayim melt in its midst.

"And I shall stir up Mitsrites against Mitsrites, and they shall fight, each one against his brother, and each one against his neighbour, city against city, reign against reign.

"And the spirit of Mitsrayim shall vanish within them, and I destroy their counsel. And they shall seek the idols and the mutterers, the mediums and the sorcerers.

“And I shall deliver the Mitsrites into the hand of a cruel master, and a fierce sovereign to rule over them,” declares the Master, “???? of hosts.

Egypt is going into a time of civil war and it will be ended when this cruel master comes. Isaiah 19:1-4 As you read The Prophecies of Abraham you will see that this cruel master is the king of North. This King of the North is explained to you in Daniel 11:

Hosea 9 and Muslim Hatred of All Israelites

<http://britam.org/Hosea9Mahomed.html>

The verse (Hosea 9:6) SHOULD BE TRANSLATED AS SAYING:

# For behold they have gone due to the Robbery of Egypt, Memphis shall gather them up.

Machmad [i.e. Mohamed] shall bury them for the sake of their silver. Knettles [or Chemosh] will inherit them in their tents.#

We have a clear reference here to Mohammed and Islam and Islam wishing to destroy Israel and Ephraim (Britain and America) for the sake of monetary gain. We did not analyze the verse sufficiently (though we may succeed in doing so in the future) to give a fully coherent explanation as to what is being said but the gist of the message is clear. Islam and Egypt are a danger to Ephraim!

Another scripture you all are witnessing right before your eyes is the blessing Isaac gave to Esau in Genesis 27:40 And by your sword you are to live, and serve your brother. And it shall be, when you grow restless, that you shall break his yoke from your neck.”

With the removal of Hosni Mubarak a strong ally of the USA and Israel, and with the resignation of the Leaders of Yemen another US Ally, and Jordan too looks vulnerable, Jacobs brothers are now throwing off the yoke which for thousands of years has controlled Esau and Ishmael.

In an email I received from Pastor for Israel was the following note.

The toppling of Tunisia’s longstanding corrupt dictator (who was a good friend of Washington) in mid-December has inspired the people in Egypt think that maybe they could do the same thing with their longstanding corrupt dictator (who is also a good friend of Washington, in fact, the most important ally the US has in the Arab world.)

The Egyptian people are protesting against the dictatorship of Hosni Mubarak, who has been the “President” of Egypt for 30 years.

The Moslem Brotherhood, which is the parent organization of Hamas and the Islamic Action Front in Jordan as well as the Islamic Organization in Israel, and many other groups in different Moslem countries, assassinated Anwar Sadat, the Egyptian leader who signed a peace treaty with Israel, in 1981.

Mubarak was Sadat’s Vice President and before that he was the Air Force Chief of Staff.

When he took over there was a real danger of further violence from the Moslem Brotherhood so Mubarak imposed an “emergency law” which gave the military and police broad powers, suspended most civil liberties (to the degree that there had ever been any) and basically gave the President dictatorial powers. At the time, no one questioned the need for this.

But the “emergency law” was never lifted, and so Egypt has remained a military dictatorship for 30 years.

Under Mubarak it has also continued the policy of “Cold peace” with Israel, and this has ensured that the other Arab countries would also refrain from starting a war with Israel because they know they have no hope of defeating Israel without Egypt. Egypt is the largest and most powerful Arab country, and the others are all too small to be able to take on Israel without it.

But the peace treaty with Israel has never been popular among Egyptians and there is a real worry in Israel (and Washington) that if Mubarak is overthrown the Moslem Brotherhood could take it over and change the power dynamic in the Middle East decisively. This would be an unmitigated catastrophe for Israel and for the US in the region.

Mohammed El Baredi, the Nobel Prize laureate and former director of the International Atomic Energy Agency has returned to Egypt from his self-imposed exile in London to lead the protesters to what he and his supporters hope will be a toppling of Mubarak’s regime and its replacement with himself. El Beradi is rumored to have strong ties to the Moslem Brotherhood and is definitely no friend of Israel or the US.

The other possibility is that Mubarak, who will be 83 in a few months and is rumored to be suffering serious health problems, will turn over power to his newly appointed Vice President, Omar Suliman, who has been chief of military intelligence for many years and has had broad contacts with the West, as well as Israel. He is widely regarded as the best chance that Israel and the West have of keeping Egypt as a country that is stable and not interested in war with Israel.

There are two problems with Suliman though.

One, he’s 73, so at best it’s a temporary solution.

Two, he’s widely identified with Mubarak and the people who are out in the streets right now protesting against Mubarak might not be satisfied if Suliman replaces him. They seem to want real change.

If rumors are to be believed, one of the biggest changes they want is an end to the peace between Egypt and Israel.

Keep praying!

Over the past few weeks I have shared with you the many disasters that have and are happening around the world. I have been showing you how all of this fits like a glove the Prophecies of the Sabbatical and Jubilee cycles, and The Prophecies of Abraham.

When I first came to know many of these things which I have been sharing here with you, I went out and purchased some food that you can store for many years from e-foods direct. At that time I was planning on hunkering down for the long haul and riding out the coming storm.

Since then I have come to learn that we are not going to be here in North America. I say this because North America is going to be destroyed by war very soon as we have been sharing with you.

Once again I urge you to buy The Prophecies of Abraham and learn this for yourself. You will not be able to go hide in the back woods and avoid those things that are about to come.

Recently I received an email from a brother telling me about e-foods and how he was loading up and how many of the things I had said rang true to him. Is this what we all should be doing?

I have been presenting my case to you for some time now. My position is no you should not be storing up food now, where you are; but if you are going to ignore the solution I have been sharing, then yes you should stalk up. At least it could come in handy for those who raid your house after they have killed you.

When that brother wrote me to let me know about e-foods I will admit I was disappointed. He had learned many things from reading the Newsletter and he now believed we would be entering a time when we are going to be short of food. And now many others are saying the same thing.

But what this brother forgets is what is coming after this; after this food shortage which continues, and after the blood moons, and after the pestilence, after the many weather related disasters and after the persecution of the saints. The next curse of Lev 26 is the one of sword, WAR.

When this war comes it will not matter how much food you have stored up in your home here in North America. Those Germanic and Muslim armies are not going to ask you for any; but they will take it and they will do so as they walk over your dead family members to get it.

Lot's family had a choice before Sodom was destroyed. Gen 19:12 And the men said to Lot, "Have you anyone else here? A son-in-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whomever you have in the city – bring them out of this place!

"For we are going to destroy this place, because the cry against them has grown great before the face of ?????, and ????? has sent us to destroy it."

And Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who had married his daughters, and said, "Get up, get out of this place, for ????? is going to destroy this city!" But to his sons-in-law he seemed to be as one joking. And when morning dawned, the messengers urged Lot to hurry,



saying, "Get up, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the punishment of the city."

Lot's sons-in-law could have fled with him. The Angels would have allowed them to go. But the Daughters of Lot and their husbands and their children did not go. Yehovah in His mercy would have let them escape even in their unrighteousness, but they would not go.

In another example we have Rahab who was told to gather her family and to be in that one room if they wanted to be safe.

Joshua 6:17 Now the city shall be doomed by the Lord to destruction, it and all who are in it. Only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all who are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

Joshua 6:23 And the young men who had been spies went in and brought out Rahab, her father, her mother, her brothers, and all that she had. So they brought out all her relatives and left them outside the camp of Israel.

Joshua 6:25 And Joshua spared Rahab the harlot, her father's household, and all that she had. So she dwells in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

Were the family members of Rahab righteous? Rahab was a harlot so I would say they were not righteous yet Yehovah spared her whole family and she would go on to be the ancestor of Yehshua.

I am sharing this with you Brethren so you can know and hopefully understand. Yehovah has given us cities of refuge in Israel and present day Jordan. He has lifted the curse on us which removed us from our homeland in 723 BC for 390 X 7 times. That curse was over in 2010 and we can go home. Yes there are many obstacles in the way and because of that many of you do not prepare to go. Some of you assume you will be raptured out before all of this happens and these same people are going to be the most disappointed when they are still here after it has begun.

Many are stalking up on food and water and taking survival courses and others are buying ammo and guns. When it comes, and it is going to come, those who do these things will be like the family members of Lot. Any that do survive will be dragged away into captivity where they will languish for another Sabbatical cycle of 7 years. Or they could die there.

Many of you are investing in your own self-preservation. Very few of you are investing like an Israelite. Like the Israelite woman of Proverbs 31 who bought a field and looked after her children who did not hunger or lack and were warm in the winter.

When you read Jeremiah it was the same thing at that time. They did not believe that Babylon was going to come against them. They all believed in Yehovah the same as many of you do; They kept the Holy days the same as many of you do; They went to the Temple three times a year which none of you do; they knew His name at that time as many of you do; they studied

Torah as many of you do and yet we all know how that turned out with many of them being killed by sword or famine or pestilence in 586 BC.

I continue to ask you to invest in the purchase of a number of farms in Israel and Jordan. Some of you claim you do not have any money, yet it is the widows who have been coming forward so far; if they can find the will to do this then each of you can find \$5-\$20 dollars to send in. But there are many others who have jobs and could give \$1500. And many who could give smaller amounts over the next few months.

You can spend \$1744 on a one year supply of food for one person from e-foods direct. If you plan on living for 7 years you would need to spend \$12,208 just so one person can live for 7 years. That is if it is not destroyed in war or disaster or fire or flood or tornado or stolen at gun point. The Sabbatical and Jubilee years shows us that Satan will not be locked away until Atonement 2033. That is 32 years from now. Can you store that much food? For one person the cost of food would be \$55,808.

You can spend this on preparing to stay in a war zone, or you can invest less than that in a farm in the land where Yehovah is telling us to go. Where just like Abraham He will protect us from the Armies around us. But some will not be protected as Ezekiel has shown us by the hairs thrown into the fire.

Brethren there are farms in Israel with Olive trees and Almond tree, and Apple trees and many other fruit trees that are already for sale. There are other farms there just waiting for help to come and work with those already on the land. We have Citizens of Israel living there right now who are willing to help us and see things coming as I have been sharing with you. We have many ideas as to how to make it viable and how to have the Brethren live there and work there all legally. What we do not have is your confidence. What we do not have in enough money to purchase the farm.

If you wait until the army is at the door it will be too late. If you wait for one person to do it all then you will have no part in it and no claim. But like many investors in a company, you can take part with a small investment or a large one.

My friend Steven Collins had an article about getting ready to bug out. I share it with you now.

## SHOULD CHRISTIANS PREPARE FOR FUTURE HARD TIMES?

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As this is written, the USA is in the worst recession since the Great Depression and the global economy almost collapsed in Autumn, 2008. Debt creation by the US Congress and the Federal Reserve Board (and other foreign nations and central banks) has reached unprecedented levels. Many Christians look at the "signs of the times" and wonder if they should be preparing for future hard times. This article will examine this subject from a biblical viewpoint, and offer readers clear biblical guidance on this issue.

## Two Opposing Viewpoints:

Christians tend to have two differing opinions on the answer to the question: “Should Christians prepare for hard times?” One camp holds to the view that Christians should simply “trust God” and it cites the command God gave the Israelites in Exodus 14:13 to “stand still and see the salvation of the Lord.” The other camp believes Christians should prepare for trying times in the future and it cites the example of Joseph storing up quantities of grain in Egypt when Pharaoh’s dream warned there would be seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine. Which approach is the right one for our modern times? While I am no one’s judge and I respect anyone’s personal decision as a believer, I believe the Bible strongly supports the viewpoint that the Bible warns Christians to make preparations when God warns us about approaching dangers.

I suspect any Christian would make sensible preparations if they lived on a coastline and knew that a strong hurricane was approaching. If Christians live in tornado country (as I do) anyone would logically head for a basement or shelter if you knew a tornado was heading for your city. While we hope that our homes will be safe from such hazards as fire, hailstorms, etc., we buy homeowners insurance to guard against such hazards. Many renters buy renters’ insurance policies to safeguard their investment in their possessions. If you were on a coastline and heard a tsunami warning for your city, you would surely “head for high ground” as quickly as possible! If Christians and non-Christians alike would take such reasonable measures to prepare for any impending natural disaster, why should they not also make reasonable preparations for a prophesied danger that is imminent? I think the Bible indicates they certainly should do so. However, before examining biblical evidence to support that assertion, let’s first examine the viewpoint that Christians should not prepare for prophesied dangers and simply “trust God.” Such Christians sometimes believe that it is a lack of faith in God’s promised protection if they prepare for dangers. They regard this as “relying on one’s own strength” rather than relying on God. However, let’s examine the Exodus 14:13 account which they cite and see that Christians who do not make any preparations are mistakenly taking that scriptural account out of context.

## Examining the “Stand Still and Let God Do It All” Approach:

When God led the Israelites out of Egypt, he did mighty wonders and miracles to punish and plague the Egyptians to compel them into finally letting the Israelites leave Egypt. The Israelites were slaves and there was nothing that they could do to prepare for any threats. They had no choice but to wait until God provided a way out of Egypt. However, when the Passover night approached during which God was going to send a death angel to kill all the first-born in Egypt, God did tell the Israelites to make advance preparations to save their firstborn as well as to prepare to leave Egypt in haste (Exodus 12). God told them to put lamb’s blood on the doorways, eat the Passover meal, get dressed, have shoes on their feet and their staffs in hand to be ready to march the instant they received word to do so. To put it in modern terms, God told the Israelites to “have their bug-out bags” ready because their departure was imminent. This is an example that when God does give warning about something that is about to happen, he expects his people to “get ready” and make advance

preparations. If any Israelites had failed to make these commanded advance preparations, their first-born would have died and they risked being left behind.

After the Israelites left Egypt, they had no warning from God that Pharaoh's army would pursue them and would overtake them when they were boxed in by the Red Sea and had no way of escape or retreat. Indeed, it was God who put them in this situation because he intended to show his power to deliver them from Pharaoh's army so that they would grow in their faith in his power to protect them (Exodus 14:1-14, 9). This is a biblical example of how to rely on God when sudden dangers come upon you for which you have no advance warning. Since there was nothing the Israelites could do about their circumstances, they had no choice but to rely on God and God alone. It is in such a context that Moses told the Israelites in Exodus 14:13: "Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." He told the Israelites this to reassure them because the Israelites had lost faith and thought they were about to be slaughtered (verses 10-12).

God Divinely held back Pharaoh's army (verse 19-20) that night and miraculously opened a way through the Red Sea for them to march across "dry ground" as they walked through the Red Sea's seabed (Exodus 14:21-22). They didn't even get their shoes muddy. God took care of every detail! When the Egyptians tried to follow them, they were drowned as God allowed the Red Sea to crash down upon them. When God led the Israelites through 40 years of wandering through a dry wilderness, they again had no choice but to rely on God for everything. There was no arable land, no supermarkets, restaurants, etc. They were forced to rely on God for food, water and their needs. God miraculously provided manna on a daily basis (Exodus 16:4) which Psalm 78:24-25 calls "angels' food." God led them to locations with water supplies or he miraculously caused it to gush out of the desert rocks (Exodus 17:1-7). Again, all these instances are examples that one should have faith and rely on God when there is nothing you can do for yourself or when God commands you to do nothing for yourself and simply rely on Him (as he did in Exodus 14:13).

However, even after the Israelites' escape from Egypt, God did not always do everything for the Israelites on his own. When the Israelites were faced with a battle against the attacking Amalekites, God did not do their fighting for them. The Israelites had to do their own fighting against the Amalekites and God blessed their fighting skills when Moses' hands were held high and God withdrew that blessing when Moses' arms were weary and he lowered them. Aaron and Hur held up Moses' arms so victory would be assured. Do I believe this actually happened? Absolutely!

In another case, Elijah was divinely protected from a severe drought which he himself had caused to fall on the ancient kingdom of Israel. In this case, Elijah was told by God in advance what to do to save himself during this drought. First Elijah was told to go to a particular river where he was fed by ravens until it dried up after which God told him to go to Zarephath, a suburb of the Phoenician city of Sidon (I Kings 17:1-9). As I note in my book, *Israel's Lost Empires*, God purposely directed Elijah to a place his enemies would least expect him to go. Ahab and Jezebel searched all over the earth for Elijah via caravan routes and via the globe girdling capacity of the extensive Phoenician fleets (I Kings 18:10). Zarephath was a suburb of

Sidon, Jezebel's hometown, a place she and Ahab would never think Elijah would be hiding (I Kings 16:31). In these cases, Elijah obeyed God's specific instructions re: where he was to go in order to be protected. If God gives such directions to Christians through a powerful prophet like Elijah (such as might occur during the ministry of the Two Witnesses during the reign of the beast power in the end of this age—Revelation 11), then one should obey such instructions. However, the Two Witnesses have not yet been revealed by any deeds and Jesus Christ warned in Matthew 24:11, 24 that "many false prophets" would appear in the latter days and you risk following a false prophet into danger or death unless God has already demonstrated with very powerful miracles that they are Divinely-ordained prophets like Moses and Elijah were. Now let's examine biblical examples where God did give his people advance warnings about looming disasters and what their response proved to be.

The Biblical "Prepare in Advance" Option:

One of the first times God gave advance warning of an impending disaster was when he warned Noah that a global deluge was going to destroy all life on earth. God told Noah to make preparations for that event by building an Ark (Genesis 6). Noah obeyed God and built the Ark. When the Deluge came, Noah and his family (along with species of animals, birds, etc.) were spared because Noah made advance preparations. If Noah and his family had not made advance preparations by building and provisioning the Ark, all flesh would have extinct.

A second major example of the necessity of making advance preparations when God warns about future events is the example of Joseph preparing for a great drought in Egypt. Pharaoh received a dream from God which he did not understand. Joseph, known to be an interpreter of dreams by one of Pharaoh's staff who had temporarily been in prison with Joseph, was called into Pharaoh's presence to interpret the dream. Joseph revealed that the dream warned that seven years of tremendous surpluses would be followed by seven years of terrible crop failures, and Joseph was exalted to become Regent of Egypt to supervise the food storage program for Egypt so the nation could survive the years of crop failures (Genesis 41). The Bible devotes many chapters to Joseph's life so this is an important example for us to understand. If Joseph and Egypt had not prepared for the extended drought by storing immense stockpiles of food, the Egyptians and Israelites would have starved.

In both the above cases, it would have been a severe lack of faith to refuse to make necessary preparations when God gives an advance warning about a looming danger. Choosing not to make advance preparations when God has warned of an impending disaster is to place your own life and your family's lives in great jeopardy.

A New Testament example in the same vein is given in Acts 11:28-30. A prophet named Agabus received a warning from God that a "great dearth" (a food shortage) was imminent. The early Christian Church took the warning seriously and made such advance preparations as they could. The elders gathered up food supplies and sent Barnabas and Saul (later named "Paul") to deliver the food to the brethren in Judea so they could survive the prophesied food shortage. The word received by Agabus must have specified that Judea was to be particularly hard hit by the food shortage for the Christians to direct their main food storage effort to that

location. Again, we see the believers took the warning seriously and made advance preparations. There was no hint in any of these three examples that anyone thought the right approach was to “stand still and do nothing.” Both Old and New Testaments are consistent that when God warns his people about an impending danger, he expects them to show faith by acting on his warning and preparing for it.

Prophesied Warnings about the Latter Days:

What about our modern times? Christians in many denominations and with many differing doctrinal concepts can see that our modern times are fulfilling the prophecies about the “latter days” to occur at the end of our age. To examine much evidence that we do, indeed, live in the latter days, please read my article, *Are We Living in the Latter Days?*, available at the articles link at my website, .

The Bible has many warnings that the end of our age will witness many traumas and hardships. I do not want to be a scaremonger so I’ll state very clearly that I do not know how soon these events will occur. Will the entire globe suffer each prophesied disaster or will various plagues and disasters strike various regions of the earth in different ways? Again, I claim no foreknowledge on this matter. However, the Bible’s prophecies to date have always come true (as my books document in many ways), so the end-time prophesied dangers will befall the earth sometime in the future.

Because God has given latter-day believers many advance warnings about the looming dangers and disasters coming upon the earth in the latter days, we are in a situation where God would logically expect us to heed his warnings and make advance preparations for the dangers as best we can. Latter days Christians are in the same situation that faced Noah, Joseph and the early Christians in the time of Paul and Agabus. They all took God’s warning seriously and made necessary advance preparations. That is the response that modern believers should also take today because we have also been told in advance via God’s Word that many dangers are certain to occur in the latter days.

What are the specific dangers that are prophesied in the Bible to occur in the time between now and the return of Jesus Christ?

Specific Threats Prophesied for the Latter Days:

As I know from my reader emails, people in a wide variety of nations visit my website and read my materials. Some of the prophesied dangers in the latter days have already happened (or are happening now) in various nations on earth. However, in many western nations, large parts of our populations live in such a personal “comfort zone” that they scarcely realize that these dangers could threaten them as well. Here are some of the dangers and traumas which the Bible specifically warns us will occur in the latter days.

Wars

Jesus warned in Matthew 24:7 that “wars and rumors of wars” will occur in the latter days. Revelation 6:4 and 8 warn that wars will be widespread during the end of this age, and prophecies that “the fourth part” of the earth will be slain with war and the other plagues

personified by the “four horsemen of the apocalypse.” If there are eight billion people on earth by the time this prophecy is fulfilled, a literal application of the Bible’s math indicates 2 billion people will die of these plagues. Joel 2 and Ezekiel 38 prophesy that the nations of the ten tribes of “Israel” will be invaded at the end of this age with horrific casualties all over the earth in a global World War III. Zechariah 14 warns that modern Judah (the Israelis) will also be invaded at the end of this age.

### Famines and Pestilences

Whenever there are famines, pestilences (disease epidemics) inevitably follow as malnourished people have weakened immune systems. Matthew 24:7 prophecies “famines and pestilences” will befall the earth in the latter days, and Revelation 6:5-6, 8 offer the same warning. The wording of Revelation 6:6 infers that food will be rationed in the latter days due to food shortages. Such food shortages can come from drought, premature frosts in temperate growing zones, locust and grasshopper plagues, floods, plant viruses, natural disasters, etc. The die-off of bees due to Colony Collapse Disorder threatens many crops which need bees as pollinators. Famines and pestilences can easily also strike refugee populations that are dislocated due to warfare.

### Earthquakes

Matthew 24:7 also prophecies that there will be “earthquakes in various places” in the latter days. Since there have always been earthquakes throughout history, this prophecy must indicate that there will be greater tectonic activity in the latter days to make this period of time unique. Volcanoes could also fit in this category. Other “latter day” prophecies in Isaiah 2:19, Ezekiel 38:20, Joel 2:10 and Revelation 6:12 and 11:13 also warn about earthquakes of historic intensity occurring at the end of our age. There have been many damaging earthquakes around the world in recent decades. The phrase “in various places” means earthquakes will occur in many different regions of the globe in the latter days. Whenever California does experience the “Big One” that is eventually expected, it will cause incredible dislocations within the USA.

### Hurricanes and Tsunamis

Luke 21:25 includes a warning about “the sea and waves roaring” in the latter days. When the seas and waves “roar,” we call them hurricanes and tsunamis. Hurricane Katrina (with immense property damage) and the Indian Ocean Tsunami (with immense loss of life as well as property damage) are prime examples of the fulfillment of this prophecy. In Revelation 8:8, the Apostle John described a vision of the latter days in which he saw “a great mountain burning with fire...cast into the sea.” If this prophecy is fulfilled by a meteor striking the earth (it would look like a “burning mountain” as it fell through the earth’s atmosphere), can you imagine the size of the tsunami that will strike the coastlands of every continent which borders the ocean in which it hits?

### Planetary Disasters/Earth Changes

Isaiah 24:19-20 warns the earth itself will be “utterly broken down,” “moved exceedingly,” and that it will “reel to and fro like a drunkard” in the end times. This language indicates the earth

will wobble on its axis as it orbits the sun. If the earth is hit by a meteor (Revelation 8:8), it would certainly cause the earth to wobble on its axis. A severe wobble in the earth's rotation would also cause instability in the earth's weather and tectonic plates (causing some of the prophesied earthquakes in the latter days). Isaiah 24:1 prophesies "the Lord...turns [the earth] upside down." This language could be fulfilled by a magnetic pole reversal or dislocation of continents, jets streams, ocean currents, climate patterns, etc. The earth changes that will occur will affect everyone on the planet. Some may be greater than our ability to foresee. Mankind will learn that it lives on a planet made and designed by a Creator we call "God." The Creator will prove to mankind that its empires and politics are to God like the activities of ants in an ant hill are to a man who walks by and shuffles his feet through the anthill. The glory of the Living God will be made known to mankind in awesome fashion in the latter days.

### The Two Witnesses

This heading might surprise some readers. However, Revelation 11:6 warns that all kinds of plagues will be caused by the Two Witnesses who will afflict and affect wide swaths of the earth. Imagine the hardship caused upon lands which have their "waters turned to blood." The Two Witnesses will have divinely-delegated powers to "shut heaven," thereby causing drought and famine wherever their plagues are directed. This verse prophesies that these Two Witnesses will even be empowered by God to "smite the earth with all plagues as often as they will." Their plagues will be designed to bear witness to the earth that the Creator of the earth, the great God of the Bible, is very real and that he is about to return to the earth to rule all nations, and that mankind needs to repent and yield to its Creator's authority. For more information about the extraordinary ministry of the Two Witnesses, please read my article, [The Two Witnesses](#), available at my website, .

### Global Panic

As if the above listing of traumas isn't enough, Luke 21:11 adds that there will be "fearful sights and great signs...from heaven" at the climax of the latter days. Is it predicting near misses by comets, a super-nova in a nearby star or divinely-caused miraculous signs in the heavens? I don't know, but something big is prophesied to occur in the skies that will cause "fearful" responses among the nations. These heavenly signs will likely trigger a mass of false prophets trying to capitalize on what is occurring (false prophets are also prophesied in Matthew 24:24 to be common in the latter days). All the above factors will generate panics among the people of the earth, and panics have widespread effects in public health, food distribution, crime rates, economic activity, etc.

The above are a general listing of the plagues, dangers and woes that are prophesied in the Bible to occur on this earth just before its Creator returns. The earth will experience paroxysms of events that will be unprecedented. Luke 21:26 prophesies that many will die of heart attacks because they will be overwhelmed by events befalling the earth. I want to reiterate that I do not know how soon these events will occur. However, biblical prophecies prove we are already living in the latter days, and Matthew 24:44 and Matthew 25:1-1-13 warn that Jesus Christ/Yahshua will return unexpectedly and sooner than even his believers anticipate.



## What Should Christians Do to Prepare?

### Spiritual Preparation:

To endure future prophesied events, there is no substitute for developing as close a relationship as you can with God via prayer, Bible Study, fasting, meditation, fellowship with other believers, etc. James 4:8 promises that if anyone draws near to him, God will draw nearer to them in return. Luke 21:36 tells us to “watch” world events to understand the end times and to “pray...that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.” God promises protections to those who repent of their sins and turn to him. Revelation 12:13-17 prophesies that believers who are close to God will be divinely-protected in the end times while those who are not close to God will not be protected. I want to stress that I am no one’s judge, and do not want to be one. A person’s relationship with their Maker is a very individual thing, and God alone will judge the quality and closeness of each believer’s relationship to him. However, no one should wait too long to seek God. Isaiah 55:6-9 tells us that God’s mercies are so great to those who repent that they are beyond our ability to fathom them, but it also warns that he should be sought “while he may be found.”

### Physical Preparation:

The above listing of traumas to come upon the earth in the latter days warns that food and water will be in short supply in various places, food will be rationed, diseases will be rampant, earthquakes, hurricanes and tsunamis will be experienced, etc. Obviously, where you live logically determines what specific threat that you might have to face. Those who live near oceans need to prepare for hurricanes or tsunamis. Those living inland are more likely to be affected by drought, floods or tornadoes. Anyone could experience food and water shortages wherever they live depending on what occurs in the future. People who live in regions of the earth where wars are occurring or are possible make preparations for shelter and the necessities of life in a time of war. Keep in mind future warfare may involve more than military combat. It may also include electronic hacking attacks to shut down power grids and essential infrastructures. People who live in northern climates need to have back-up plans for emergency shelter and warmth in the event electricity or gas supplies are interrupted during cold weather. People in some regions hit by ice storms have already had to go weeks before electricity was restored.

All preparations should be made in a common-sense manner. No one can prepare for every possible kind of event. Please don’t become a survivalist who heads for a cave or compound with your canned goods and guns! God can protect you wherever you are! Also, God knows what you can or can’t do to prepare for future traumas. Those who have many financial resources should prepare to help not just their own families, but others who will be in need. Matthew 25:31-46 makes that very clear.

I found the following link via the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) website which offers a common sense listing of essential preparations everyone should make for any emergency. It advises storing enough food (and other essentials) for “at least three days.” See

[ready.gov/business/plan/emersupply.html](https://ready.gov/business/plan/emersupply.html). A three-day supply of essential supplies may be enough to enable one to cope with a very local disaster. However, Americans who witnessed the slow response of governmental agencies in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina realize that a three day supply of essentials wouldn't be nearly enough to survive a disaster that affects several states at once. When the scale of biblically-prophesied events to befall the earth happens in the latter days, it is clear government responses will be inadequate to help so many in need. I recall seeing media coverage of people in the USA last winter who had to live weeks without electricity in the aftermath of an ice storm. Are you prepared to cope with such an emergency? The advice in the FEMA link above is valuable advice to follow even if no biblical traumas were prophesied. Local disasters can happen anywhere. You need to be prepared.

#### Ultimate Reliance on God:

In conclusion, believers of the Bible face a situation in the latter days like that faced by Joseph in ancient Egypt or Noah before the Flood. Just as these men were warned of an impending regional drought and a global Flood, we have been warned of many specific traumas that will affect the earth at the conclusion of our latter-day period of time. Even as Joseph and Noah were expected by God to show faith by preparing for imminent divinely-revealed dangers, people in the latter days should show faith by preparing as best as we can for the divinely revealed dangers to come. The extent to which you prepare depends on your relationship with God, the means you have to prepare, the location in which you live, etc. As I said above, no one can prepare for everything.

The biblical prophesies are so apocalyptic that it may well be that no matter what preparations you make, you may eventually find yourself dependent on God for physical protection and the necessities of life. Psalm 91 contains many promises of God's protections for those who obey him. Claim these promises in prayer. At the very end of this age, it is likely that we will all need to rely on God for our needs no matter what preparations we make. However, biblical precedents confirm that God does expect us to make preparations when he gives us advance warnings about impending dangers. Biblical prophesies about the latter days have many warnings about the dangers that will come to pass in the latter days. You should be making such reasonable preparations as you can.

Joseph and Noah were told by God about imminent dangers and they prepared for those dangers. Latter-day believers have been warned as well about dangers to befall mankind at the end of our age. As Jesus said in Matthew 24:25: "behold I have told you before [the latter day events occur]." Have you started to make your preparations to provide for your family and for others who will be in need? Those who help others in times of need are promised God's favor, but those who hoard things for themselves and harden their hearts to the needy in a time of trouble are promised God's punishment (Matthew 25:31-46). As you make your preparations for the future, remember that it is always better to be able to give than to have to receive (Acts 20:35). If you can do so, prepare to have enough to be a giver to those who will be in need.