The Tai Ping – The Dramatic Story of the Chinese Sabbath Keepers

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The 1st Year of the 4th Sabbatical Cycle

The 22nd year of the Jubilee Cycle

The 21st day of the 3rd month 5853 years after the creation of Adam

The 3rd Month in the First year of the Fourth Sabbatical Cycle

The 4th Sabbatical Cycle after the 119th Jubilee Cycle

The Sabbatical Cycle of Sword, Famines, and Pestilence

June 17, 2017

Shabbat Shalom to our Family around the world

Yehovah at Work

It never ceases to amaze me and leave me speechless when I see the work Yehovah is doing and that He has allowed me to be a part of. It just blows me away as I think upon this.

This last Shabbat I was asked to share my views about the recent events in the UK and Qatar and the Comey-Trump dirty laundry, with the Kings of African nations that I had been teaching on and off in the past with. After I had shared what I had to say, the King of all the Kings wrote me to thank me. He had learned much from our teachings. He then asked for our books which we have now sent to them.

The lady who introduced me to these Kings then had a confession to share with me.

And I share this with you in relation to the dreams we shared with you three weeks ago in our teaching on "You Will Know them by Their Love".

This lady had a dream and asked Yehovah to help her discern between the conjunction and the crescent moon calendars. She was overwhelmed with all the info on both sides. In her dream, Yehovah said she would receive clarification in the morning in an email. The year is 2007.

She was up all night concerned about what was going to happen.

The next morning she received an email from me about the crescent moon and the Holy Days. She has been following me ever since then but never wrote me or contacted me until about 1 year ago, I think.

Now consider this. I first learned about the Sabbatical and Jubilee years at Passover 2005 after I began to keep the crescent moon calendar. In July of 2006, I was being asked to leave the United Church of God. That same week we created the website sightedmoon.com. We began to write regular weekly News Letters starting only at Passover 2007 and I expected to have enough material to last me until Shavuot. But we have never stopped since then and now have over 773 posts on our site and about 10 million hits to all our articles and videos and podcasts as of June 2017. The email list grew that year and I was amazed. This lady had her dream in 2007 shortly after I had the website up and running.

Yehovah was at work with me in doing this work and directed this lady to me in a dream, and the next day she got an email from me about the Calendar. How I got her email I do not know. And now after these 10 years have passed, she is now introducing me to a number of Kings in Africa who keep the Sabbath and Holy Days. And soon possibly I am to meet with the Emperor of these kings.

Yehovah is at work and He is doing a work. And we each of us who do this work or support it get to be a part of it if we choose to do so.

The Ti Ping

I have had this article in the cue to share now for at least two months but it kept getting bumped down the road. Now I know why. It had to follow last week's Newsletter on tithing and donations to support His works. It had to follow the amazing Shabbat last week when I was conversing with Kings and the lady who had the dream as I told you about above.

Now that Yehovah has prepared the ground so to speak, you might be ready to read this part of history and then know what must be done for those in Africa now. For those in the Philippines. And once we have acted appropriately for these two places Yehovah has allowed us to be a part of, then and only then will He open other doors to other nations in the world for our message.

The rest of this article is what I wrote two months ago. Yet it is so timely as to what we shared with you last week.

You can read this same story recorded by <u>secular wiki</u> and notice the perspective is quite different.

I have shared this with you this week as it has not left my mind having read this. We, all of us, from the seasoned scholar to the brand new convert to Torah, have a heavy responsibility to carry. That is in sharing this knowledge with the world. When we do not do our part many others will die. In the story, you're about to read it is said that over 20 million died. They did not have the New Testament.

We at sightedmoon have been asked to help teach in the Philippines, In Burundi and Zambia. But we do not have the financial support to do this. Many come for a short time and then leave looking for something else to tickle their ears. We are the only ministry teaching you that you are to be keeping the Sabbath, the Holy Days and the Sabbatical and Jubilee years. When you finish reading this story about China and how it has brought about events in China to this day, come back and read this intro over again.

We need your help to finance the work we are striving to accomplish in Africa and Asia. We have just 7 years for these nations to prepare and keep the Sabbatical year of 2023. We need your help.

The Dramatic Story of Chinese Sabbath keepers

Here is disclosed one of the most ASTOUNDING episodes of history. It is like reliving the experiences of the judges and prophets of old! (COG writer electronic version–all rights reserved) by Herman L. Hoeh

London, England

FOR SEVEN years I have wanted to write this little-known inspiring drama of human experience. Until now I have never been able to uncover all the records which I knew must exist.

Thanks to the British Museum Library and sellers of rare oriental books in London, I am able to give you these facts from the records.

The Mystery Begins

This dramatic account commences with the year 1813. It begins in a small village some little distance from the important city of Canton, China. Here the chief character in the drama, Hungsui-tshuen, was born. For ease of pronunciation, I shall call him Hung.

Hung came from a royal family. His father and mother, as well as many other relatives, had previously fled to South China as a result of the Manchu invasion.

By the time Hung was 16 he had become proficient in the usual course of Chinese education. At 18 years of age, he was appointed schoolmaster of his native village by unanimous acclamation of the townspeople.

Five years later he was given a set of books. Translated into English, the title of these books was "Good Words for Exhorting the Age." At the time, the books appeared of little value to Hung.

The next year, 1837, Hung lost an advancement in his scholastic rank because his Manchu superiors were jealous of his ability and fearful of his ancestral background. This loss so upset him that he became quite ill.

The Manchus, remember, were Mongolian warlords who seized China. Now they are the Communist overlords who rule China.

During the period of recuperation, Hung had an extraordinary vision. A record of the vision is preserved in Theodore Hamberg's booklet, "The Visions of Hung-sui-tshuen." Hamberg was a missionary of the Basle Evangelical Society to China (a Swiss institution).

In the vision, Hung was seemingly transported to the presence of a great Sovereign Ruler. There he was confronted by an old woman-women at that time were regarded lower than animals- who said to him, "Thou dirty man, why hast thou kept company with yonder people and defiled thyself? I must now wash thee clean." He was then, in vision, taken to a river and washed in the water. After this he was conducted into a large building where his heart and other inward parts were removed and replaced by new ones! Then he was given a sword, a seal, and fruit to eat which he found sweet to his palate.

Upon awakening, he was astounded at the vision, but could not determine its meaning. When Hung fully regained his health, he began to reform his conduct as best he knew.

Hung-sui-tshuen continued as a village schoolmaster for several years more, giving the vision no further thought. Then, one day, his cousin Le searched through Hung's bookcase and noted the unusual contents of the volumes "Good Words for Exhorting the Age." In them were a number of whole chapters of the Bible, according to the translation of a Dr. Morison; many sermon-essays on varied Bible texts; and other statements founded on Scripture.

Le told his cousin Hung what he had found. Hung then began to look through the books which had lain untouched on the bookshelves for seven long years. He was amazed to find that in the quoted chapters from the Bible there was a partial explanation of the vision he had received six years before.

Discovering the Bible

In those parts of the Scripture which he possessed, Hung found the Heavenly Father described-the great Sovereign Ruler revealed in his vision years before. Then he read of Jesus, the "elder brother of many brethren." In our versions, it Is rendered: "the firstborn among many brethren" (Rom. 8:29). He learned that Jesus was sent as Saviour and as messenger. He read that one needs to repent and be baptized to obtain the Holy Spirit (Acts 2: 38). From these verses, he understood the meaning of being washed in water and of having his heart and inward parts renewed.

Hung and his cousin Le then baptized one another. They prayed to God, promised not to worship evil spirits, and cast away their idols. Hung, being a literary man, composed poetic verses to explain his conversion to his friends:

"When our transgressions high as heavens rise How well to trust in Jesus' full atonement; We follow not the demons, we obey the holy precepts, Worshipping alone one God."

After destroying his idols in the little school in which he taught, Hung and his few friends were forced to flee into the interior of China. He preached what little he knew as he journeyed into the south-central provinces of China. Once again he became a school teacher (between 1845 and 1846).

Visits a Missionary

At the close of 1846 Hung journeyed to Canton after hearing that a Christian missionary from the West resided there. He studied there under Mr. Roberts, the missionary, for almost a month, and read new portions of the Bible. Young missionaries from abroad, also studying

under Mr. Roberts, were jealous of Hung's talents and earnestness. They brought about his removal! Hung left the city somewhat saddened.

Returning to south-central China, Hung found that the number of villagers who listened to him and were baptized soon numbered almost 2000. They had to form congregations among themselves, and became known as "the congregations of the worshippers of God." For short, they were dubbed "God- worshippers."

Continuous study of the Bib!e convinced Hung that his people should not smoke tobacco or opium-which the British were selling to the Chinese-that they should refrain from intoxicating drinks except under special circumstances and that the Sabbath should be observed on the seventh day. The missionaries were quite displeased about the fact that "the Sabbath is observed not upon the same day as in Europe, theirs being the Saturday of our reckoning."

Hung further noticed that Jesus didn't rise: on Sunday morning, but "three days after his death '!

In reading the Old Testament books of Moses-the books of the prophets were not available to him in Chinese-Hung was convinced that God had given His people a calendar. The only different calendar of which Hung knew was the Roman calendar brought to China by the Jesuits. Since the Jesuit Catholics claimed to be Christians and used the Bible, he thought they also must have the God-given calendar. He adopted It. Consequently, he could not understand the annual festivals of God, which are based upon the Sacred Calendar.

Think, for a moment, of the earnestness of these Gentile folk who lacked large portions of God's revelations. How thankful we ought to be to have the entire Word of God whenever we need to use it. And remember, most of those whom Hung baptized could not even read Chinese! They had to be taught orally each Sabbath-and that mainly from the Old Testament.

The Marriage Ceremony

The number of new converts steadily grew. Marriage ceremonies had to be performed. Hung examined the Bible and found the answer! Here is a description of their ceremony:

"When the bridal party are all met together, they proceed to the church . . . and after many prayers and a severe examination of the bride and bridegroom's theological tenets, THE MINISTER JOINS THEIR RIGHTS HANDS TOGETHER, and when each have accepted the other, pronounces a concluding benediction. . . . Divorce is not only not permitted, but actually unknown or thought of." (From Lin-Le's book, Ti-Ping Tien-Kwoh, page 317).

How exactly like the marriage ceremonies God has ordained in His Church today!

Does not this demonstrate the guidance of God?

Besides these changes, the Chinese converts of Hung ceased to practice the binding of women's feet, began to lay aside the custom of polygamy, ceased to deal in the slave trade, and became obedient to the laws of God as revealed to Israel through Moses.

In order to be converted, they taught as follows:

"They"-the converts—"must kneel down in God's presence, and ask Him to forgive their sins." Following baptism, the form of which Hung did not understand perfectly. "they must continue daily to supplicate Divine favour, and the Holy Spirit's assistance to renew their hearts, saying grace at every meal, keeping holy the Sabbath day, and OBEYING ALL GOD'S COMMANDMENTS, especially avoiding idolatry. They may then be accounted the children of God. . . . " (From Lin-Le s book, page 315.)

The Next Great Step

To begin with, Hung and his converts were not fully acquainted with the instructions found in the New Testament. They had to be guided mainly by Moses' instruction found in the law. But notice what they did:

When the prosperity and learning of the God-worshippers was noised about the countryside, many in distress sought the protection of these Sabbath-keepers. Whole families of afflicted and destitute came to them, as well as outlaws who fled from the power of the oppressive Manchu dynasty. Once again Hung looked into the Bible. He saw the example of David. "And everyone that was in distress, and everyone that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him (David); and he became a captain over them" (I Sam. 22:2).

Hung therefore became a captain over his fellow Chinese He instructed them according to Moses' law and punished offenders accordingly. These Chinese malcontents, like those of David, were not converts, but merely willing to do as Hung instructed because they disliked the Manchu overlords.

Next, Hung remembered the sword that he had seen in the vision. He read in the Bible of "The sword of the Lord, and of Gideon" (Judges 7:14, 20). He felt responsible for his people as did the judges in Israel of old.

Here is what Dr. Bridgeman wrote of the next turn of events: "Their government is a theocracy, the development apparently of what is believed by them to be a new dispensation. As in the case of the Israelites under Moses, they regard themselves as directed by one who has been raised up by the Almighty to be the executor of His will on earth." (Page 211 of Lin-Le's work.)

By 1851 the malcontents had increased by tens of thousands. They proclaimed Hungsuitshuen the ruler of a new dynasty administering a Heavenly or Celestial Kingdom. Hung tried to follow the pattern of David and Solomon, mentioned in I Chron. 29:29: "Then Solomon sat upon the throne of the Eternal, as king instead of David his father, and prospered."

The new dynasty was entitled the "Tai-ping," meaning the kingdom of our Sovereign," the One who created heaven and earth.

The malcontents, to protect their domain, were at first conscripted for defense. Then Hung read in the law what Moses said: "When thou goest forth to battle against thine enemies" the enemies of the Tai-pings already persecuted them for religious and political reasons-"the officers shall speak unto the people, saying: What man is there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house . . . What man is there that is fearful and faint-hearted? let him go and return unto his house" (Deut. 20: 1, 5, 8) . Hung therefore made army service a voluntary matter!

The soldiers were instructed to pay the country people for whatever food and clothing they required on their journeys. Vast areas of China were freed from the Manchu oppressors. By 1860 the movement gained such power that it attracted international recognition. Several thousands became faithful converts and upwards of 50,000,000 Chinese were living in prosperity and at peace under the Tai-ping administration of God's laws.

The Hand of the Jesuits

In abolishing the idols of the country, the Tai-pings naturally destroyed the images of Mary and the saints, as well as those of the Buddhists. The ire of the Jesuits was aroused. They persuaded the French forces in China to support the ruling Manchu dynasty with whom they had previously been quarreling.

Next, the British and American missionaries- who had obtained barely 1500 converts through years of work-were jealous of the fact that so many people were turning to the truth without their missionary activity. The missionaries began a deliberate campaign to malign the Tai-ping. They accused them of rejecting the Bible, of denying Jesus Christ, of wanton slaughter of innocent victims. The true reports of honest missionaries were squelched! British commercial agents, interested in selling opium to the Chinese, became fearful of the loss of revenue.

REMEMBER THIS WAS THE ERA OF THE OPIUM WARS-when foreigners, particularly the British, were seeking to dominate China by forcing them to buy opium.

The British and other foreign elements forced the Manchus to sign treaties legalizing the opium trade. This placed the armies of the Tai-pings in a serious predicament. The British assured the Chinese revolutionists that they would remain neutral and only protect British property from destruction. In reality, the British sent arms to the Manchus, and the Manchus imported arms in ships flying the American flag!

During all this time the converts of Hung were publishing the Bible as best they could. Time and again they implored their Christian White Brethren across the sea to send them missionaries to instruct them better. Most missionaries refused to go.

What a condemnation of our people- Israel-the people chosen for a job we have refused to perform! When our people could have brought the truth, they refused to do so. And when we did send missionaries, they brought nothing but a Babel of confusion to the Gentiles.

A Plea Refused

The Tai-ping also sought to trade with the British. They sent an army to Shanghai to open negotiations with their professing Christian white brethren. Said the leader of the Tai-ping regiments to the British, American, Portuguese and other foreigners in Shanghai: "I came to Shanghai to make a treaty in order to see us connected together by trade and commerce; I did not come for the purpose of fighting with you. Had I at once commenced to attack the city and kill the people, that would have been the same as the members of one family fighting among themselves." (Page 283 of Lin-Le's work.)

Remember that these Chinese did not know the kind of Christianity professed by the Western World!

The extract, which I have just quoted from a longer letter, was sent to the foreign authorities in Shanghai for the following reason: When the Tai-ping, who assumed the British were neutral, came to Shanghai, they were fired upon by the British. According to a correspondent of the North China Herald, "They [the Chinese Tai-pings] waved the hand, begged our officers not to fire, and stood there motionless, wishing to open communications and explain their object!"

Retreating for safety, the Tai-pings encountered a missionary, Mr. Milne. In order not to have him injured in any battle, they sent guards with him to the city of Shanghai. After delivering Mr. Milne safely to his white brethren, the guards were shot down by British soldiers upon the city wall!

A Great Mistake

Hung could not understand the action of the Christian nations from across the sea. In sorrow, he withdrew from all contact with foreigners but continued to study the Bible with the faithful.

He permitted his commanders to disperse their armies throughout the walled cities of his domain. The Manchus had been badly defeated and no attack was expected. This-plus a miscalculation of the British and French intentions-proved disastrous.

Although the official government statements from abroad implied that England would remain neutral, the actual deeds perpetrated against the Chinese demonstrated the opposite. The British marshaled the Manchus against the Tai-pings and gradually brought about their retreat and downfall. This short article cannot contain all the information which competent historians have amassed. But, as Gladstone, the British Prime Minister, once said, this action will go down as one of the blackest marks in history against Britain.

As a result of foreign intrigue, the Manchu army and religious persecution, these Chinese Sabbath keepers, including Hung, perished for their faith. Long after the death of those faithful Chinese to whom God revealed a measure of His truth, the malcontents who had associated with them arose again in rebellion against the Manchus. They called themselves "The Righteous Fists of Harmony"-or "Boxers." Their rebellion- the Boxer rebellion-was aimed at the foreigners and especially missionaries. But the Sabbath and God's laws had long been forgotten by them.

WHY Communism Engulfs China Today

We are reaping the reward of our sins in China today! To the carnal Chinese the European nations seemed unprincipled liars, devoid of every virtue recognized by men! From that time on the spread of the Word of God among the Chinese met with little success. No wonder Communism has engulfed the country.

When thinking of the fate of those Sabbath keeping Chinese and their ignorant comrades who sought their protection, I am reminded of Paul's exhortation in Hebrews: "And what shall I more say; for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae, of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness . . . waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of aliens. . . . And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword. . . . (Of whom the world was NOT WORTHY)" (Hebrews 11: 32-38.)

How unworthy the world is may be understood by the deliberate falsity of recorded history in describing the Tai-Ping Rebellion.

Missionaries and politicians alike have accused them of committing acts of which only the enemies of the Tai-pings were guilty. The Tai-pings were maligned just as David and his followers were.

Thanks to the cooperation of British booksellers and librarians I am able to give you these true facts now.

"The White Man's Burden"

The most important summary of this drama of human experience-the book which is the basis for this little-known record-was written by a white man who used a Chinese name, Lin-Le. The work is entitled "Ti Ping Tien Kwoh, the History of the Ti Ping Revolution." It was published in 1866 in London.

Here is a lesson we must never forget!

How we ought to appreciate what we know of God's Word! And to realize that this drama was occurring in far-off China when God's people in America were splitting up as the dying branches of the Sardis Church Era!

Our own people-Israelites, God's chosen-refused to restore the truth they received. Our great denominations followed the path of the opium-peddling businessmen. But the Chinese, for 200 years in bondage to the Manchus, looked to the Word of God as best they knew.

"Their laws were framed and already constituted when the New Testament"- in its fulness-"came into their hands." (From page 152.)

Perhaps we can now realize the FULL WEIGHT of our responsibility in carrying out the gospel of the Kingdom of God to all nations. God has chosen us-His faithful few in an Israel filled with sin -to carry the LIGHT through radio, television and the printing press to those who abide in darkness.

Let's shoulder our responsibility and prove that we can carry "the white man's burden"! '

COG writer Comment: While we in the Continuing Church of God do not participate in military service, it is understandable how those separated geographically perhaps may not understand that. Thus it is possible that there were true members of God's church in China in the 1800s and 1900s (though probably only hundreds or perhaps a few thousand, of those in that region of China as throughout history, the true church has always been what Jesus called a "little flock"). Also while this was occurring, the Sardis Church Era in the US was having too many internal problems to have likely tried to help. FWIW, I would not have used the expression "the white man's burden," but simply quoted this article as written.

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China, Its Biblical Past and Future, Part 3: China in Prophecy What is Ahead for China? What will happen to nearly all the Chinese?

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Brethren today 2017 you have an awesome opportunity and you also have a heavy responsibility.

You know the Sabbatical and Jubilee cycles. You know that we are in the 120th Jubilee cycle and you also know that the curses of Lev 26 come in a precise order. We are now in the 4th Sabbatical cycle which is the fourth curse of the sword.

You know how little time is left. And you know Yehovah is pouring out His Spirit on all flesh in all nations. And you know of the open doors in front of us in Africa and the Philippines. We have asked you to stand with us and help us to meet these needs of sharing with them Yehovah's truths today. That help has been able to get us to both Manila and to Bujumbura as well as other cities to teach these truths. And yet we need to return to these places again and share to more and to share on a deeper level. And to share with more leaders of these nations.

We ask you to consider helping us. We ask you to consider what happened to the Tai Ping who were lied about by the Missionaries because the Tai Ping kept the Sabbath and practiced and taught the Torah. We have leaders who keep the Sabbath and Holy Days now. We have leaders who are learning about these things. And we have leaders who are being asked to make the Holy Days of Lev 23 national laws so everyone can observe them.

Will you help us to get the job done? We must meet with these leaders face to face so they can question us in private and then act in public. So we ask you to consider the Tai Ping and then we ask you to stand with us and support our efforts to go to these Rulers and teach them. Time is fast winding down on this world. We need to reach these people now so thy have time to study and learn about the Holy Days and Sabbatical year of 2023. Will you please go to the donation page at sightedmoon.com and pledge a monthly donation each month so we know how much we can budget to get this job done?

Will you also then share our weekly News Letters and podcasts to all you can in person or on Facebook or whatever social media you are using. You can help share these truths which will not cost you money to do. You can share the video teaching with your assemblies or home groups. There is much each of you can do to help. But when the clock runs out then you will not be able to help anyone at that time. The time is now to help. Please do help now. Pray to Yehovah and ask Him to show you what to do and how to do it.

I had prepared this News Letter two months ago and updated it this past week. Then on Sunday James and I had a meeting and it was with the Tai Ping on my mind, and the request from Telesphore in Burundi for us to come and help deal with the pushback he is getting from the many churches.

So whether or not we have the funding, we are going to send James back to Burundi this July for the whole month. I was to go also but we just can't afford for both of us to go at this time. We are breaking the piggy banks and we have enough for James to get there. We do not know if we can get him back though. LOL

Right after we made this decision to send James I got word from the Ivory Coast that they are ready for us to come there now as well. So we may send Telesphore in August. But for July Telesphore and James will be going deeper with the 250 pastors so they can stand up to the many questions the churches are now arguing with them about. I am not going to fail Telesphore as those people failed the Tai Ping.

We are now committed to the work in Burundi. We hope you will join us in this work now.

Yehovah be with you always.

Running to our Lovers

"The shores of history are strewn with the wrecks of empires," Churchill once said. How quickly the empire over which he presided has joined those wrecks.

It's easy to forget just how great Great Britain was, and how recently. At the turn of the last century, its wealth and power were immense and unmatched. It was the world's number-one or -two producer of petroleum, coal, steel, pig iron, gold, and nearly every other precious metal. Its electricity output dwarfed every other comer. It's Royal Navy—by law larger than the world's next two largest navies combined—extended the empire's presence around the globe. The company of nations over which it ruled comprised one out of every four people and one of every five acres on the planet.

Today, Britain is having trouble governing its own children.

Yehovah makes and unmakes nations.

Job 12 23-25 He makes nations great, and destroys them;

He enlarges nations, and guides them.

He takes away the understanding of the chiefs of the people of the earth,

And makes them wander in a pathless wilderness.

They grope in the dark without light,

And He makes them stagger like a drunken man.

Isaiah 40:15-18 Behold, the nations are as a drop in a bucket,

And are counted as the small dust on the scales:

Look, He lifts up the isles as a very little thing.

And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn,

Nor its beasts sufficient for a burnt offering.

All nations before Him are as nothing,

And they are counted by Him less than nothing and worthless.

To whom then will you liken God? He

He made Britain what it once was, and He is unmaking it today.

But Yehovah has not yet given up hope on reaching the British people. Strange as it may sound, the very fact that the nation is suffering is evidence of His perseverance and mercy.

Hebrews 12:3-7 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons:

"My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord,

Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him;

For whom the Lord loves He chastens,

And scourges every son whom He receives."

If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?

Yehovah told Britain what would happen. He has explained His reasons for bringing curses upon it. Still, Britain toils on, trying to solve its problems with its own muscle and ingenuity. And instead of looking to Yehovah, Britain is relying on its "allies" like Europe—or, as the Bible refers to them, its "lovers."

Hosea 8:6-10 For from Israel is even this:

A workman made it, and it is not God;

But the calf of Samaria shall be broken to pieces.

"They sow the wind,

And reap the whirlwind.

The stalk has no bud;

It shall never produce meal.

If it should produce,

Aliens would swallow it up.

Israel is swallowed up;

Now they are among the Gentiles

Like a vessel in which is no pleasure.

For they have gone up to Assyria, Like a wild donkey alone by itself; Ephraim has hired lovers.

Yes, though they have hired among the nations,

Now I will gather them;

And they shall sorrow a little, Because of the burden of the king of princes.

Hosea 5:1-15 "Hear this, O priests!

Take heed, O house of Israel!

Give ear, O house of the king!

For yours is the judgment,

Because you have been a snare to Mizpah And

a net spread on Tabor.

The revolters are deeply involved in slaughter, Though

I rebuke them all.

I know Ephraim,

And Israel is not hidden from Me; For now, O Ephraim, you commit harlotry; Israel is defiled.

"They do not direct their deeds

Toward turning to their God, For the spirit of harlotry is in their midst, And they do not know the Lord.

The pride of Israel testifies to his face;

Therefore Israel and Ephraim stumble in their iniquity; Judah also stumbles with them.

"With their flocks and herds

They shall go to seek the Lord,

But they will not find Him;

He has withdrawn Himself from them. They have dealt treacherously with the Lord, For they have begotten pagan children.

Now a New Moon shall devour them and their heritage.

"Blow the ram's horn in Gibeah, The trumpet in Ramah!

Cry aloud at Beth Aven,

'Look behind you, O Benjamin!' Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke;

Among the tribes of Israel I make known what is sure.

"The princes of Judah are like those who remove a landmark; I will pour out My wrath on them like water.

Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment,

Because he willingly walked by human precept.

Therefore I will be to Ephraim like a moth, And to the house of Judah like rottenness.

"When Ephraim saw his sickness,

And Judah saw his wound.

Then Ephraim went to Assyria And sent to King Jareb;

Yet he cannot cure you,

Nor heal you of your wound.

For I will be like a lion to Ephraim,

And like a young lion to the house of Judah.

I, even I, will tear them and go away;

I will take them away, and no one shall rescue.

I will return again to My place

Till they acknowledge their offense.

Then they will seek My face;

In their affliction they will earnestly seek Me."

Hosea 7:11-16 "Hear this, O priests!

Take heed, O house of Israel!

Give ear, O house of the king!

For yours is the judgment,

Because you have been a snare to Mizpah And a net spread on Tabor.

The revolters are deeply involved in slaughter, Though I rebuke them all.

I know Ephraim,

And Israel is not hidden from Me; For now, O Ephraim, you commit harlotry; Israel is defiled.

"They do not direct their deeds

Toward turning to their God,

For the spirit of harlotry is in their midst, And they do not know the Lord.

The pride of Israel testifies to his face; Therefore Israel and Ephraim stumble in their iniquity; Judah also stumbles with them.

"With their flocks and herds

They shall go to seek the Lord,

But they will not find Him;

He has withdrawn Himself from them.

They have dealt treacherously with the Lord,

For they have begotten pagan children.

Now a New Moon shall devour them and their heritage.

"Blow the ram's horn in Gibeah, The trumpet in Ramah!

Cry aloud at Beth Aven,

'Look behind you, O Benjamin!' Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke;

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Hosea 9:1-17 Do not rejoice, O Israel, with joy like other peoples, For you have played the harlot against your God.

You have made love for hire on every threshing floor.

The threshing floor and the winepress

Shall not feed them,

And the new wine shall fail in her.

They shall not dwell in the Lord's land,

But Ephraim shall return to Egypt,

And shall eat unclean things in Assyria. They shall not offer wine offerings to the Lord, Nor shall their sacrifices be pleasing to Him.

It shall be like bread of mourners to them; All who eat it shall be defiled.

For their bread shall be for their own life;

It shall not come into the house of the Lord.

What will you do in the appointed day, And in the day of the feast of the Lord?

For indeed they are gone because of destruction.

Egypt shall gather them up; Memphis shall bury them.

Nettles shall possess their valuables of silver; Thorns shall be in their tents.

The days of punishment have come; The days of recompense have come.

Israel knows!

The prophet is a fool,

The spiritual man is insane,

Because of the greatness of your iniquity and great enmity.

The watchman of Ephraim is with my God; But the prophet is a fowler's snare in all his ways— Enmity in the house of his God.

They are deeply corrupted, As in the days of Gibeah. He will remember their iniquity; He will punish their sins.

"I found Israel

Like grapes in the wilderness;

I saw your fathers

As the firstfruits on the fig tree in its first season.

But they went to Baal Peor,

And separated themselves to that shame;

They became an abomination like the thing they loved. As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird— No birth, no pregnancy, and no conception!

Though they bring up their children,

Yet I will bereave them to the last man.

Yes, woe to them when I depart from them!

Just as I saw Ephraim like Tyre, planted in a pleasant place,

So Ephraim will bring out his children to the murderer."

Give them, O Lord— What will You give? Give them a miscarrying womb And dry breasts!

"All their wickedness is in Gilgal, For there I hated them.

Because of the evil of their deeds

I will drive them from My house;

I will love them no more.

All their princes are rebellious.

Ephraim is stricken,

Their root is dried up;

They shall bear no fruit.

Yes, were they to bear children,

I would kill the darlings of their womb."

My God will cast them away,

Because they did not obey Him;

And they shall be wanderers among the nations.

British Prime Minister Theresa May's attempt to strengthen her party's majority in Parliament has completely backfired. Christopher Caldwell noted at the *Weekly Standard* that May's rationale went something like this: "Why not take advantage of the Labour Party's decision to place its fate in the hands of 68-year-old Jeremy Corbyn, an unreconstructed 1970s-vintage Marxist whom the press and the public hated? Look at the guy! He made Bernie Sanders look mainstream by comparison."

But the snap election took quite an unexpected turn. The Marxist who made Bernie Sanders look like a moderate ended up collecting more than *40 percent* of the vote! Jeremy Corbyn just increased Labour's support more than any other party leader since 1945.

This was a huge victory for the radical left in Britain. The resurgence of Labour in yesterday's election reveals a dangerous new direction for the UK. It shows how hungry the British are—particularly younger Britons—for radical leftist ideology. This headline from Britain's *Mirror* sums it up best: "Revenge of the Youth! How 18-to-24-Year-Olds Furious Over Brexit Gave Theresa May a Disastrous General Election Result." Bloomberg chimed in with this: "British Millennials Take Revenge on Parents and Grandparents."

What does this election reveal about our oncoming generation—about the future of our nations? An overwhelming majority of youths offered their support to a 68-year-old Marxist who has spent the better part of his career literally defending the sworn enemies of Britain and working with people who have openly said that they want to bring Britain's government down.

Have people forgotten about the tremendous FEAR we *used to have* about the spread of Communist ideology in our nations? Today, however, many of our people are not only unconcerned, they enthusiastically support it! What our parents and grandparents feared has now *happened!*

Here are just some of what Jeremy Corbyn stands for;

Notable Quotes

1987: "I'm happy to commemorate all those who died fighting for an independent Ireland"—on observing a minute of silence to honor ira terrorists who had been shot dead while they were on their way to attack a police station.

2015: Called Osama bin Laden's death a "tragedy."

Other Notable Events

1991: Seconded a piece of legislation in Parliament that would abolish the monarchy.

2015: Refused to sing the national anthem "God Save the Queen" at a memorial event for those who died in the Battle of Britain

Police Record

Both Britain's MI5 and the Metropolitan's Police Special Branch kept a file on Jeremy Corbyn, fearing that he might be a threat to the country. An unnamed Special Branch official told the *Telegraph* that the police monitored him for 20 years as he was "deemed to be a subversive." The Special Branch defines someone as subversive if they are involved in "activities intended to undermine or overthrow parliamentary democracy by political, industrial or violent means."

"You cannot have a Special Branch file just randomly; the commander had to have evidence that they were satisfied with," the official told the *Telegraph*.

To read more on this guy and his leading people go to this link.

We have shown you where we are in world history. The Jubilee cycles are the only way you can know this. We are in the 22nd year of this 120th Jubilee cycle. And Daniel tells us that in the middle of the 70th Jubilee cycle since Yehovah told Moses to go and get His people which led to the Exodus, that in the middle of this Jubilee cycle, Israel, all 12 tribes would be destroyed.

Joseph received the title of Israel from Jacob and it was given to his two sons Ephraim and Manasseh. This is whom Bible prophecy is speaking about. The UK and the USA.

And YOUR WATCHING IT HAPPEN RIGHT NOW IN FRONT OF YOU.

This week the former director of the FBI Comey and Trump go at it in the public forum. This public airing of the USA's dirty laundry and then Britain's Prime Minister May's quick election and disastrous results are destroying both countries credibility and ability to lead the world.

Trump's speech to the NATO alliance last month in which he did not state he would support section 5 which guarantees that when one is attacked the rest would come to its aid, did little to bolster the NATO alliance.

But this week President Trump has said he would stand by section 5. But this pause of about two weeks is stunning and unnerving to the rest of NATO. Then Merkel left this meeting of the G7 and said Germany and Europe must go it alone, no longer being able to count on Britain or the USA. Italy also echoed the Germans and the new French President is saddling up to the Germans as well.

We have been quoting Hosea above many times about Assyria. Today the modern name for Assyria is Germany. See our <u>video teaching on this</u>.

When May called the election, she said, "Division in Westminster will risk our ability to make a success of Brexit." May only had a small majority at the time, which, she said, made negotiations with Europe tough. This election was supposed to give her a much larger majority and a stronger position in Brexit negotiations.

After June 9 results, Brexit negotiations will be much harder. With such a slim majority, it will only take a few M.P.s to block any law—including any compromise with the European Union. Go "too soft" on Brexit, and just a handful of euro-skeptic Conservatives could block it. Too hard, and the pro-Europe Conservative M.P.s could get in the way.

Brexit negotiations were already going to be tough; after this election, they'll be torturous.

Brethren you are watching in real time the fall of the UK and the USA from the leading position amongst all nations.

As I go to post this News Letter, my wife comments about the British in light of the recent terror attacks and then the horrible apartment building fire which killed so many, that to her "there seems to be a dark cloud over the British people these days." And then in the USA, they are not talking about Trump obstructing justice.

What you are seeing on both sides of the Atlantic are the two leading powers being tied up in politics so that when they must act to defend themselves from the coming war that is prophesied to come in the middle of this Jubilee cycle, they will not be able to act due to all the infighting.