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Common Greetings — *The War to End Western Civilization*

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The world Americans know, with its engineered expectations, smiles narrowly across America's Sunbelt, where prosperity seems unstoppable. Real estate prices skyrocket in Florida. Food prices rise everywhere, but there seems to be no shortage of food. Fuel prices are stable but high. Jobs are being created, but for low wages. There are certainly valid reasons for the smile if the person has money or manipulates money, breeding it as if dollars were cattle. But this smile hides concerns in the Heartland, concerns about the cold summer and even colder winter that is forecasted; concerns about the stability of an economy with cancer, an economy perpetuated by the mutation of nothing—today, digitalize dollars—into something that retains its value only because other nations' currencies are also worthless. The Heartland worries about a national debt of \$17 trillion, and unfunded obligations exceeding \$100 trillion in promised benefits. The Heartland worries about smiling America sneering Christianity, turning the corners of its mouth up at the values of founding fathers. The Heartland cannot afford Wal-Mart to raise prices: *they are already high enough*. The Heartland worries about open borders, and about *ihadists* bringing radical Islam to farms and forests that are today relatively peaceful. The Heartland worries about its feelings of helplessness; about *Red Counties* having lost national importance; about votes no longer mattering. Where will *ihadists* strike? What will they strike? What are the soft targets? Bridges across the Mississippi? Barges? Grain silos? The gaseous diffusion plant at Paducah? The reactors along Lake Erie? Could the Heartland see a nuclear meltdown like what happened at Fukushima?

The Heartland worries because there isn't much else it can do as it readies itself for a rise in healthcare insurance premiums it cannot afford, nor wants.

America need not be attacked by *ihadists* for it has attacked itself, doing to itself what no foreign enemy could do. And the Heartland sincerely believes that God will punish America for flaunting the principles that made America great.

What the Heartland doesn't understand is that God made the conscious decision to consign humankind to disobedience when He baptized the world into death in the days of Noah, saving only Noah—a preacher of righteousness—and his sons (and wives), each a son of righteousness. Eight persons that physically foreshadowed Christ Jesus and the angels to the seven named churches crossing from one world into the next, with the seven pair of clean animals representing the seven churches and the single pair of every other species representing a single unit from every other *Christian* ministry crossing from this present world that ends with the Adversary and his angels being cast to earth—the world doesn't physically end with dominion being taken from Satan and his angels and given to the Son of Man, Head and Body. Rather, the age that began with baptism in water and unto death ends. A new age will begin, an age that will have the

world being baptized in spirit and into life. Thus, the endtime good news [gospel] that must be proclaimed to all the world as a witness to all nations is that *all who endure to the end shall be saved* (Matt 24:13; 10:22).

The gospel that must be proclaimed before the end comes isn't a message about Christ Jesus or about salvation only being in the name of Christ Jesus, but a message about enduring; about endurance. For with dominion over the single kingdom of this world being given to the Son of Man and the world being baptized in spirit so that even the predatory natures of bears and lions are changed (Isa 11:6–9), every living person will be filled with the spirit of God and thereby liberated from indwelling sin and death, *sin* being unbelief. The Law will be written on hearts and placed in minds so that every person knows the Lord. No one will teach neighbor or brother to *know the Lord*. All will know the Father and the Son through being filled with the spirit of the Father [*pneuma Theou*].

The person who is today a Muslim or a Buddhist or even an atheist—if still alive when the Adversary and his angels are cast to earth—will need no one to teach him the principles of God: by being baptized in spirit, all will, again, know the Lord. All will have no indwelling death in them; thus, all will be saved either physically [by living as a human person into the Millennium] or spiritually after taking judgment upon the person [saved by being glorified as a son of God] **unless** the person willingly takes sin and death back inside the person. Enduring in belief of God (enduring in faith, *pisteos*) means not taking onto or upon oneself the mark of Death, the tattoo of the cross.

But without marking oneself for death by taking the tattoo of the cross [*chi xi stigma* — Strong's #G5516], the person can neither buy nor sell. The person will be excluded from any transactional economy that the Adversary and his angels, cast to earth and claiming to be the returned Messiah, can reform and reestablish here on earth. Enduring to the end shall truly be a matter of enduring without being able to purchase anything.

Of all peoples alive today, who is least likely to take upon themselves the tattoo of the cross? The endtime descendants of *Ishmael*? Yes. The great nation the Lord promised Abraham that He would make from *Ishmael* has a long standing cultural aversion to the cross as well as to the six-pointed Star of David, which is not nor ever was uniquely Jewish but entered Judaism through medieval Kabbalists using the symbol in talismanic protective amulets. It wasn't accepted by mainstream Judaism until the 19th-Century, when it was apparently accepted as an imitation of Christendom's triune deity as portrayed by the cross ... Judaism needed a symbol akin to Christendom's cross, and borrowed one from Kabbalists. But the symbol borrowed inherently mocks God through making His spirit/breath [*pneuma*] His equal.

Salvation isn't promised to <Christians> because they have accepted Christ Jesus as their personal Savior via figuratively walking a sawdust trail to the altar. Salvation is promised to all who manifest love for God, neighbor, and brother—the sheep of Matthew 25:31–46. Salvation has already come to the Elect, who are foreknown, predestined, called, justified, and glorified while they [their inner selves] still dwell in fleshly bodies that will not enter heaven. Therefore, Christians do not have a leg up on Jews or Muslims or even atheists when it comes to being saved. If anything, Christians will have the most difficulties enduring to the end; for they will sincerely believe that

what and how their ancestors worshiped God is how they should when they are filled with spirit at the Second Passover liberation of Israel. Instead of rejecting error, they will collectively embrace error, thereby taking sin back inside themselves after initially being liberated from indwelling sin and death. And in taking sin back inside themselves, they will commit blasphemy against the spirit, the truly unforgivable offense against God.

In the seven endtime years of tribulation—the 1260 day long Affliction and its mirror image, the 1260 day long Endurance in Jesus—greater Christendom will initially be filled with spirit while the remainder of the world attempts to put lives and cultures back together after God slays all uncovered [by the blood of Christ] firstborn human persons, biological and legal. The Adversary will remain the prince of this world, but he will have been dealt a below-the-belt blow through having his *firstborn* [first convert] suddenly and unexpectedly slain, that is the first and great king of the federated King of Greece. His kingdom, spiritual Babylon, will wobble and will fall when God delivers a second blow three and a half years after, on each occasion, killing a third part of living humankind.

Today, Christians in America's Heartland work to end abortion-on-demand, a worthy effort. They work to derail gay marriage, an abomination before God, their work again being a worthy effort. They work to elect Conservative politicians, not understanding that the Adversary remains the prince of this world so it really doesn't matter whom they elect: they merely choose the person in the Adversary's left or right hand. But Christians in the Heartland steadfastly refused to take the Passover sacrifice of Bread and Wine on the night that Jesus was betrayed, the dark portion of the 14th day of the month that began with the first sighted new moon crescent following the spring equinox. These Christians refuse to cover themselves with the blood of Christ ... they cannot blame their pastors or their denominations for their refusal to take the Passover sacraments on the night when Jesus was betrayed. They can only blame themselves for their neglect of the Passover. Thus, there will be great mourning among Christians of the Heartland on the morning following the Second Passover liberation of Israel, but their sorrow will not cause the majority to repent and turn to God even though they will be filled with spirit. Rather, out of sorrow and determined to return to God as their ancestors worshiped God, the vast majority of Christians beginning the morning after the Second Passover will rebel against God and return to sin, the fruit of their unbelief.

Muhammad's visions, while not being of God as the Elect know and understand God, nevertheless would have the descendants of Ishmael manifesting outward love for God, neighbor, and brother. So while Muhammad's visions will save no living firstborn on the day of the Second Passover—all firstborns belong to God to do with as He pleases, even if this means sending a delusion over them or slaying them as sacrifices—Muhammad's visions will hold collective *Ishmael* together into and throughout the Affliction, thereby getting this firstborn son of Abraham into the Endurance where this firstborn son will be baptized in spirit, filled-with and empowered by the spirit of God, and thus placed under the spiritual Moab Covenant that has the glorified Christ Jesus as its mediator.

Muhammad's visions have been corrupted as much or even more so than the Torah or the Gospels ...

The great nation promised to Hagar, promised to the patriarch Abraham because Ishmael was his son, exploded onto the world's stage in the 7th-Century CE, but this nation seemed to run out of energy after a century of rapid expansion. A natural shrinkage occurred when there were no longer Crusaders to defeat. The center of power migrated north, and the Ottomans used this nation as its footstool, the sands of the desert grinding the wheels of progress into dust. However fossilized oil was discovered in Pennsylvania in the 1850s, and this discovery coupled with America's War Between the States, may have saved whales from extinction but certainly ignited a worldwide search for oil that returned energy to collective *Ishmael*, a nation formed by an ideology: Islam.

For the person truly born of spirit—for the person who has come to know the things of God via receipt of the spirit of God in the form of the indwelling of the spirit of Christ; for the person who has the spirit of truth, the *Parakletos*—reading the Qur'an reveals the shortcomings of Islam: the revelations of Muhammad have imbedded in them the flotsam of early Christianity and the debris of enslaved Judaism. They embrace the spindrift of Scripture: they give credence to those things that don't belong to the flow of Scripture, presenting this spindrift as revelation that supersedes previous revelation. As such, it can be said that the revelations of Muhammad are without any spiritual understanding, a broad claim that will require more support than what will be provided in this last piece of a series, but a claim based on Muhammad not understanding the movement from physical to spiritual that has endtime Israel not being the biological descendants of Isaac, but being the spiritual descendants of Abraham that have come through the promised seed, Christ Jesus. Endtime Israel is not a people outwardly circumcised, but a people circumcised of heart. Endtime Israel lives today not as either greater Christendom or as rabbinical Judaism, but as the Elect, those disciples of Christ Jesus who are/were foreknown by God the Father, predestined to be glorified while still dwelling in fleshly bodies/houses, called by Christ Jesus to be disciples and younger siblings, justified by Christ Jesus because the person heard the voice and words of Jesus and believed the One who sent Him into this world, and glorified through receipt of the breath/spirit of God in the indwelling breath/spirit of Christ that enters into the spirit of the person in the soul of the person.

A mouthful? Yes, a mouthful ... without the indwelling spirit of God [*pneuma Theou*], the preceding will be too convoluted to be understood even if the words can be untangled and appreciated.

The Elect live spiritually because they have been glorified even though they continue to dwell in fleshly bodies that will never enter heaven (1 Cor 15:50); for the Elect are not male or female, Jew nor Greek, slave nor free. The Elect are not their fleshly bodies, but the previously dead inner selves that was given life through the indwelling of Christ Jesus—

No one can come to Christ Jesus unless the Father draws the person from this world (John 6:44). Salvation is not today offered to everyone (Matt 8:22), which doesn't mean that those to whom salvation isn't offered are spiritually lost (see Matt 25:31–46). Rather, it means that the time to be born spiritually isn't yet upon those who are not today drawn from this world by the Father.

Before proceeding, let it here be stated that neither greater Christendom nor rabbinical Judaism is of God even though both began with divine intervention in the affairs of men. Therefore, as neither Christianity as presently perceived nor Judaism are today of God, critics of Islam should not expect to find endtime Islam being of God *even if Gabriel truly appeared to Muhammad* in the 7th-Century CE. Judaism didn't outlast the Judges; for concerning the Passover, Scripture records,

And the king [Josiah] commanded all the people, "Keep the Passover to [YHWH] your God, as it is written in this Book of the Covenant." For *no such Passover had been kept since the days of the judges who judged Israel*, or during all the days of the kings of Israel or of the kings of Judah. But in the eighteenth year of King Josiah this Passover was kept to [YHWH] in Jerusalem. (2 Kings 23:21–23 emphasis added)

And Christianity didn't outlast the Apostle John; for with John's death (ca 100–102 CE), the Body of Christ died spiritually and what passed itself off as *Christianity* from then on was an apostate ideology, an idolatrous ideology that drifted farther and farther away from God, Father and Son, until only another Passover liberation of Israel could save this nation from indwelling sin and death ... this Second Passover liberation of Israel remains the event for which *Christianity* unknowingly waits; for with its coming, the seven endtime years of tribulation will begin.

Don't permit anyone who claims that America is a *Christian* nation to go unchallenged: neither America collectively nor America's founders truly believed God at this nation's formation. Answer if you can, which of America's founding fathers kept the Sabbath? Which one would tolerate no idolatry, no false worship of God? Was not America founded on the prohibition against making any law respecting the establishment of religion? What would Moses think about such a principle? What did the Lord through Moses tell the children of Israel on the plains of Moab?

If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder, and the sign or wonder that he tells you comes to pass, and if he says, "Let us go after other gods," which you have not known, "and let us serve them," you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams. For [YHWH] ***your God is testing you***, to know whether you love [YHWH] your God with all your heart and with all your soul. You shall walk after [YHWH] your God and fear him and keep His commandments and obey His voice, and you shall serve Him and hold fast to Him. But *that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has taught rebellion* against [YHWH] your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you out of the house of slavery, to make you leave the way in which [YHWH] your God commanded you to walk. So you shall purge the evil from your midst. (Deut 13:1–5 emphasis and double emphasis added)

A test is passed or failed. If Israel's God tested Israel by permitting false prophets to accurately foretell what will occur in the short term, would this testing end with the coming of Christ Jesus?

Now back up to the Sabbath: what does the Sabbath represent? And when was it given? This latter question to be answered first; for the giving of the Sabbath precedes the giving of the Royal Law at Sinai, which is why Israel was to, *Remember the Sabbath*. For keeping the Sabbath began with the giving of manna, bread from heaven,

They set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, *on the fifteenth day of the second month* after they had departed from the land of Egypt. And the whole congregation of the

people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of [YHWH] in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then [YHWH] said to Moses, "*Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, **that I may test them**, whether they will walk in my law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.*" ...

On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers each. And when all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, he said to them, "This is what [YHWH] has commanded: "Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to [YHWH]; bake what you will bake and boil what you will boil, and all that is left over lay aside to be kept till the morning." So they laid it aside till the morning, as Moses commanded them, and it did not stink, and there were no worms in it. Moses said, "*Eat it today, for today is a Sabbath to [YHWH]; today you will not find it in the field.* Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, which is a Sabbath, there will be none." On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, but they found none. And [YHWH] said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and my laws? See! [YHWH] has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day He gives you bread for two days. Remain each of you in his place; let no one go out of his place on the seventh day." So the people rested on the seventh day. (Ex 16:1–5, 22–30 emphasis and double emphasis added)

On the day that would become the second Passover—and will become the day of the Second Passover liberation of Israel, the nation to be circumcised of heart—bread from heaven was promised, with Christ Jesus identifying Himself as the true bread from heaven (John chap 6).

Before Israel's rebellion at Mount Sinai, there was no bread from heaven given on the Sabbath: the people were to bake or boil on the sixth day enough for two days, thereby not cooking on the Sabbath ... on the sixth day they were to gather twice as much as on the first five days of the newly-defined week. They were then to cook what they would eat on the sixth day as well as what they would eat on the seventh day, the Sabbath. And in this way, the Lord tested Israel to see who would believe Him.

The Lord doesn't change, but is the same today as He was yesterday—

Today, the Lord tests Israel (the nation to be circumcised of heart) through Sabbath observance but even more so by what will spiritual Israel spiritually gather and eat on the sixth day and on the Sabbath. Will Israel gather to itself a double portion of Christ if this is even possible? Then will it *eat* Christ's body and drink His blood by keeping the Passover with Bread and Wine on the dark portion of the day before the High Sabbath, the Great Day of the Sabbath [John's Gospel identifies the Feast of Unleavened Bread as *the Sabbath* — see John 19:31 in Greek] representing the seven endtime years of tribulation?

Jesus was resurrected from death after being in the heart of the earth for three days and three nights: the 15th day of the first month, the Great Day of the Sabbath, Thursday, April 26, 31 CE Julian; the 16th day of the first month, Friday, April 27, 31 CE; the 17th day of the first month, Sabbath, April 28, 31 CE. Jesus then left the grave sometime after the weekly Sabbath ended, with the weekly Sabbath being the third day of *the Sabbath* that was the Feast of Unleavened Bread. And on the morning of the fourth day of Unleavened Bread, the day after the Sabbath [*Te mia ton Sabbaton*], midweek during

the Sabbath, the resurrected Jesus ascended to heaven where He was received by God the Father. He was sacrificed mid physical week—the week established by the giving of manna to Israel in the wilderness—and He ascended to God mid spiritual week, the morning of the fourth day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread. He will receive dominion over the single kingdom of this world mid spiritual week as represented by the seven endtime years of tribulation.

Because Muhammad couldn't read, he could never appreciate how badly Jews he encountered abused Moses and how badly Christians he encountered abused the Gospels. Thus, he assumed what he was told by Jews and Christians was true. So even if Gabriel appeared to him, he would have filtered angelic revelations through the debris in his mind.

Most of Israel [physical descendants of Isaac and spiritual descendants of Christ] fails its testing, meaning that it would be logical for God to prepare another people to take Israel's place in the resurrection of firstfruits in a manner similar to how the children of Israel replaced virtually man for man the nation of Israel numbered in the census of the second year ... consider the logic of preparing a people in advance to replace greater Christendom, knowing that as the nation of Israel that left Egypt failed to enter the Promised Land because of their unbelief, greater Christendom because of its unbelief will fail to enter heaven—not that any of greater Christendom should fail.

Ask yourself: will Christians take the Passover sacraments on the night that Jesus was betrayed, or will Christians take the sacraments of Bread and Wine when their pastors and teachers tell them to take the sacraments, trusting men and women with their salvation rather than trusting and believing God? The answer is self-evident. And certainly God has known what will happen from the beginning; so it is reasonable for Him to have prepared a people in advance to replace the unbelievers.

Abraham wasn't milk-toast, a pushover unable to defend wells his men dug. He could well have disputed with Hittites and Amorites with swords and spears, archers and slingers. He demonstrated what he and his men could do in defeating the four kings, but the land wasn't his to defend—and he wasn't presumptuous enough to take what he could have taken simply because he had the ability to do so. He understood that this world and all that is in it is under the authority of the Adversary; so as the writer of Hebrews says,

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. (Heb 11:8–10)

Abraham lived in tents with Ishmael until the lad was at least sixteen years old, and most likely nineteen years old. By faith, because wells and grazing lands are not the city whose designer and builder is God, Abraham did not fight for possession of what was physical: he did not fight to keep Ishmael with him, but he gave Ishmael over to God, sending his son and his mother off in a story that is poorly told and perhaps falsely told in Scripture. However, Muhammad believed that Abraham sent Hagar and Ishmael off when Ishmael was an infant Hagar could carry—this allegedly comes from his revelations, but it doesn't. It comes from some early scribe getting the story wrong, either intentionally (most likely) or unintentionally: the story of Hagar and Ishmael in

Genesis chapters 16 through 21 cannot be factually true in all of its details. And this would be reasonable considering that Judah lost the Book of the Covenant in the dilapidated temple for some period of time, and what we have today has the book of Genesis being copied from a differing early scroll [one written in the language of the Northern Kingdom] than the rest of the Torah. (Apparently, the outer wraps of the Torah scroll found in the days of Josiah had been damaged due to neglect.) So it is likely that the scroll copied by the House of Judah as the authoritative text carried a differing version of the Hagar/Ishmael story than the scroll copied by the House of Israel, and when the two authoritative scrolls were brought together, rather than redact the two versions, both were retained, thereby producing an irreconcilable narrative that conceals more than it reveals.

Regardless of how endtime disciples have come to have a bastardized account of the Hagar/Ishmael story, it is reason for the Lord to favor Abraham, the father of the faithful, with offspring from his loins that inherit the Millennium ... out of respect for Abraham, for Isaac, for Jacob, this “relief” nation cannot come to God until both the natural and spiritual seed of Abraham through whom the promise comes have consciously disqualified themselves through rebellion against God.

A dead person cannot truly rebel against God. A spiritually dead person cannot rebel against God, but already is in a state of rebellion against God. And this brings me back to America’s Heartland: America’s founders couldn’t rebel against God, for they didn’t know God. They were spiritually dead as evidenced by the documents they signed; for no person who is of Moses can agree to the First Amendment of the Constitution, with its anti-establishment of religion clause ... continuing with what Moses wrote on the plains of Moab:

If your brother, the son of your mother, or your son or your daughter or the wife you embrace or your friend who is as your own soul entices you secretly, saying, “Let us go and serve other gods,” which neither you nor your fathers have known, some of the gods of the peoples who are around you, whether near you or far off from you, from the one end of the earth to the other, *you shall not yield to him or listen to him, nor shall your eye pity him, nor shall you spare him, nor shall you conceal him. But you shall kill him.* Your hand shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. You shall stone him to death with stones, because he sought to draw you away from [YHWH] your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. And all Israel shall hear and fear and never again do any such wickedness as this among you. (Deut 13:6–11 emphasis added)

The Lord tested Israel in the matter of the Sabbath through the giving and withholding of manna to see if Israel believed the Lord.

The Lord tested on an ongoing basis the children of Israel to see if they would believe the Lord as Abraham, their ancestor, believed the Lord—and He tested/tests them through prophets and divine persons, speaking the truth about things in this world that will come to pass, but telling the children of Israel to go after other gods. He tested/tests Israel through prophets advocating idolatry ... will the person who is of Israel condemn this person to death?

Hold this question. When the Law was written on two stone tablets, the person who broke the Law—idolatry breaks the First Commandment—was stoned to death because symbolically, the person broke the stone tablet on which the broken Commandment was

inscribed. But when the Law is written on two tablets of flesh, the heart and the mind, stoning is an inappropriate redress of the broken Commandment. Throwing flesh at the lawbreaker will not harm this sinner. Rather, the appropriate redress was given by the glorified Jesus to his disciples:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ***If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.***" (John 20:21–23 doubled emphasis added)

Instead of stoning the spiritual lawbreaker, disciples born of God through receipt of the breath/spirit of Christ have the authority to forgive or withhold forgiveness of sin, contrary to how Muhammad understood the teachings of Moses and Jesus. So instead of stoning the one who would have Israel break the Law, disciples withhold forgiveness of the intentional lawbreaker, thereby condemning the lawbreaker to the lake of fire. Or disciples can forgive the lawbreaker if there is reason to extend mercy to the lawbreaker, with disciples understanding that they themselves come short of the glory of God and the righteousness of Christ Jesus.

The person in America who assumes that he or she has freedom of speech is continually surprised by just how little freedom the person has ... try speaking out about *pink slime*, or any aspect of the meatpacking business that brings hamburger to American markets. Try speaking out about the fare offered to Americans in the troughs of *Industrialized Food, Inc.* Try releasing a photo of cattle in feedlots. Sure, what factory farms offer tastes good after the rawness of nature is replaced by the civility of seasonings—it should, for enough money was spent on taste tests to insure purchases would be made. But the consciences of Americans would be offended if they were permitted to see how their meats are slain and their cooking oils processed and their fruits juices pressed.

There is a subtle but symbolic connection between *Food, Inc.* and greater Christianity; for as *Food, Inc.* conceals within its products genetic manipulation—the sort of stuff that it lobbies Congress to hide from the public—greater Christianity conceals within its gospel spiritual bastardization that will send most Christians living into the Affliction (again, the first 1260 days of the seven endtime years) into the lake of fire. Whereas *Food, Inc.* can only kill the body of those who eat at its troughs, greater Christendom will kill souls through herding newly liberated Christians back into the killing pens of the Adversary.

Today, those who would speak for God—those who are presumptuous enough to sign letters, *In Christ's name*—are the swineherds that poke and prod Christians into killing pens, where lawlessness is said to be the faith of Abraham.

In his visions, Muhammad did not try to draw Jews away from Moses or the Lord, but when disputing with Jews, he accepted their understanding of Moses as legitimate, which produced in him a distorted perspective of Moses and of the prophets under the kings. The same can be said about Muhammad's interactions with Christians: he came away with distorted and invalid understanding of the Gospels, which are not as easy to believe as Christians even today claim. Muhammad then passed along his perspectives in his visions, which are now problematic; for his visions give as revelation false teaching not found in the Gospels but added by 2nd and 3rd Century Greek converts to the

Jesus Movement. Muhammad passed along Judaism's misunderstandings of Moses that caused Jesus to tell temple officials that none of them kept the Law (John 7:19) ... Muhammad was the product of his age and of his geography. If his visions actually came from Gabriel, they became distorted as they were filtered through his mind; for a person can only understand the things of God if the person has been born of God. If Muhammad had been born of God, he would not have received knowledge of God via vision but would have received knowledge through receipt of the *Parakletos*, the spirit of truth. And herein is the problem of establishing whether Muhammad was a prophet or an imposter: one great nation came from Abraham through Isaac, with this one nation not very great when it went into Egypt, seventy-two persons in all (seventy-five counting Joseph and his sons). These few left Egypt as a truly great nation, approximately equal in number to the Egyptians (Ex 5:5). But to be this great nation required a Passover liberation in which the Lord was their liberator, with the Lord slaying all uncovered firstborns of men and beasts in the land on the dark portion (at midnight) of the 14th day of the first month.

The great nation that is collective *Ishmael* comes from the visions of Muhammad. Regardless of whether Muhammad actually received visions from Gabriel, *Ishmael* has been sealed in unbelief—not sealed in bad behavior—so that it will be intact as the firstborn son of the patriarch Abraham when the single kingdom of this world is taken from the Adversary and his angels and given to the Son of Man halfway through seven endtime years of tribulation. If believers of Muhammad did as Muhammad did, they would be peacemakers, not going to war with anyone who doesn't break covenant with them, and being respectful of people of the Book, permitting all people of the Book to come to God in the way God has chosen for them, be it as Jews or Christians. If, however, the Four Successors had actually followed the teachings of Muhammad, there would have been no great expansion of Islam to the West and to the East. Islam would have spread non-violently; would have spread because of the value of the ideology, not because of the sharpness of Damascus steel.

As Christendom was corrupted during the lifetimes of the first disciples; as Judaism was corrupted during the days of the Judges, Islam was corrupted by the Four Successors, which begs the question of whether the visions of Muhammad were really of God. Did the angel Gabriel really appear to Muhammad?

Because of the lack of spiritual insight/understanding apparent in the Qur'an, it is difficult to say; for Moses brought to Israel no spiritual understanding when he led this people for forty years. He brought to Israel laws by which—if the people kept them—Israel would live long physical lives and then live when judgments were made because they were sheep (again, from Matt 25), having fed the hungry, given shelter to the homeless, clothed the naked, things that Muhammad would have the sons of Ishmael do.

Those Islamists who would bring *jihad* to the Heartland understand less about Muhammad than greater Christianity understands about Jesus. They will have to be eliminated, but this isn't the job of the Elect. And unless they cross the two witnesses once their ministry begins following the Second Passover, none of the Elect will be responsible for removing *jihadists* from the gene pool. So to paraphrase what Jesus said, *Permit the dead to slay the dead of themselves*. The Elect will be busy enough feeding

the hungry and giving shelter to the homeless once the Second Passover occurs than addressing Islam and its perversions will lack importance. Greater Christianity will be fixing to commit spiritual suicide, and those who are suicidal will be neighbors, friends, and family, each thinking they are doing right by committing blasphemy against the spirit.

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