

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

(Matthew 24:44)

# The Endtimes Are Now!

News headlines related to biblical prophecies about the end times.

Issue 160, October, 2021

Apostolic Faith Church

V.Julien, Editor

## Euphrates River Begins To Dry Up

Originating in Turkey, the 1,700 mile Euphrates flows through Syria and Iraq to join the Tigris which empties into the Persian Gulf. This year rainfall in southern Turkey was the lowest in 30 years and for the past two years the region has received only 50-70 percent of normal rainfall. Syria is currently facing its worst drought in 70 years. The Euphrates is the main source of drinking water as well as powering three hydroelectric plants that produce electricity for about three million people in Syria. Two dams in northern Syria face imminent closure which would leave about three million people without any access to electricity. The sources of the river lie in Turkey and an agreement between the two countries in 1987 allowed an annual average of 500 cubic meters per second of water to cross into Syria. In recent months, that amount has dropped to as little as 200 cubic meters per second. Some experts believe that Turkey is using the water crisis to exert a political agenda. Revelation 16:12 states that the Euphrates will dry up during the Tribulation to make way for the kings of the east. (israel365 9/23)

## Enabling The Mark Of The Beast System

As Covid19 continues to circulate the world, it becomes clear it poses a threat to more than just global health. Governments all over the world are using the crisis to expand their power and trample individual liberty. As 2021 nears its end, governments are increasingly dividing the world into two camps - the vaccinated and the unvaccinated. Jul 29 **President Biden** announced that all federal employees and contractors must be vaccinated against Covid 19 or undergo weekly testing and abide by other safety restrictions (huffpost.com). September 9 **President Biden** announced vaccine mandates impacting more than 100 million Americans. All employers with 100 or more employees must ensure their workforces are fully vaccinated or show a negative test at least once a week. He is mulling the idea of implementing vaccine requirements for all air travel. The **South Australian** government is rolling out a new app that requires citizens to take a photo of themselves and report their location on demand within 15 minutes of authorities' request with the non-compliant facing a police investigation. **Australian** MP Andrews vowed to "lock out" the unvaccinated from medical care and from conducting commerce. "There is going to be a vaccinated economy, and you get to participate in it if you are vaccinated," Andrews stated. In **Italy** flying drones monitor the temperatures of beachgoers "to track Covid19". **Israel, France,** and countless other nations have set up "vaccine passport" systems under which the unvaccinated are denied access to gyms, concerts, restau-

rants, and sporting events. In the **United States**, similar measures have been put in place in New York City, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. Many universities make the vaccine a requirement for enrollment, and in some cases, the unvaccinated are denied medical care. **New York City** has mandated all teachers and health care personnel must be vaccinated or lose their jobs. **Poland** is unique in the sense that incoming airline passengers who test positive are taken to a separate holding facility and not to a quarantined hotel. According to regulations in Poland, violating lockdown is an arrestable offense until court proceedings take place. It also requires a fine of 30,000 zloty. (israel365 news.com 9/30) Throughout the world, society is singling out the unvaccinated for punishment. Those who refuse the Covid vaccines face potential loss of jobs, healthcare, freedom of movement, and liberty in general. Those who support vaccine mandates and vaccine passports want to ostracize the unvaccinated from society. They seek to apply maximum pressure to force the unvaccinated into compliance. Does any of this sound eerily familiar? It should. The **Book of Revelation** describes a similar system whereby the people of the world will be forced to receive a mark on their right hand or forehead. Those who refuse to comply will be unable to buy or sell. They'll effectively be cut off from society. Vaccines are NOT the mark of the beast. The mark of the beast will involve a conscious decision to give allegiance to the Antichrist. No one will accept it by mistake. But it appears the vaccine mandates and passports, if allowed to stand, are paving the way for the system of the mark of Antichrist. What does the Bible actually say about the mark of

the beast? The mark will be an outward expression of a person's allegiance to the Antichrist. As global dictator, he'll require it, and the mark will appear on a person's right hand or forehead (Revelation 13:16). We don't know the exact form it will take, but it will be a number representing the Antichrist's name. His number is 666 (Revelation 13:18). Those who refuse the mark of the beast will be shut out of the global economy, unable to buy or sell anything without it (Revelation 13:17). Some will even face beheading for their refusal to accept it (Revelation 20:4). (prophecynewswatch.com 9/28)

### The Danger of Invoking God's Name in the Vaccine Debate.

Last April, New York governor Cuomo failed to give God credit for the temporary Covid improvements in his state. In his words, "God did not do that. Faith did not do that. Destiny did not do that. A lot of pain and suffering did that. That's how it works. It's math." Mr. Governor, please do not denigrate God's mercy. You have no idea what God did and did not do in answer to the prayers of many. After Cuomo's sudden and dramatic fall from grace, forcing his resignation, it appears that his replacement, Gov. Kathy Hochul, has not yet learned the lesson. Speaking at a Christian Cultural Center, she said, All of you are vaccinated, you're the smart ones. The unvaccinated are not. They "aren't listening to God and what God wants." She continued, "I need you to be my apostles."

To speak on behalf of God, especially without scriptural authority, let alone divine calling to do so, is a serious and ugly error. (prophecynews



# Global Economic Woes

## Israeli Housing Prices Have Nearly Doubled in a Decade, With no Signs of Slowing.

Prices have risen by over 12% so far in 2021. By June, the average cost of a four-room apartment in Israel was roughly NIS 2,200,000 (\$682,608). Rapid inflation is affecting more than the United States. (timesofisrael.com 10/6)

## The Great Holiday Shortage is Coming.

Earlier this year, the talking heads on television were assuring all of us that the U.S. economy would be "booming" by the end of 2021, but obviously that hasn't happened. Instead, we are facing growing shortages and rampant inflation. In fact, one measure of inflation just hit the highest level in nearly 40 years. But of more immediate concern is the fact that shortages are intensifying all over the nation. Brace yourself: It's going to be hard to find many things, not just your favorite holiday foods and hot toys and

gifts but also basic staples because of supply chain problems that will likely persist at least through next spring, nine months from now. (prophecynewswatch.com 10/5)

## The End of Financial Privacy - Biden Adm Wants to Monitor Your Bank Account for all Transactions Over \$600.

In other words, financial institutions will report any flows in and out of business and personal accounts of more than \$600. (pnw.com 9/1)

**The Chip Shortage.** Many industries are delaying production, including GM, because they cannot get the needed computer chips for their products. The cost of new and used cars and electronics are rising as a result.

**Why Are Food Prices Going Up So Rapidly?** We have witnessed a drastic rise in global food prices in the last 12 months. This has pushed millions more into poverty

and hunger. Very tight supplies and growing demands have pushed global food prices 32.9% higher over the past year. (prophecynewswatch.com 9/15)

## There's a Financial Crisis Every Sabbatical Year: This Year Primed to Be Mother of Them All, Israeli Economist Warns.

The current Hebrew year, 5782, began on Rosh Hashanna one month ago, beginning a new shemittah (sabbatical) year. One Israeli economist has chronicled a correlation between the seven-year shemittah cycle and major economic events. If his theory is correct, the world is about to enter a major crisis. This year may be a Jubilee year and we are primed for a global collapse. It's not going to be pretty. We need a lot of faith in God. (israel365news.com 10/6)

## The Next Financial Crisis Could Accelerate Prophetic Events.

Prior to 1971 the US operated on a gold-backed dollar with other world currencies pegged to the dollar. When Nixon took our dollar off the gold standard on August 15, 1971 it began the new era of fiat currency and sowed the seeds of the next great financial crisis. Since then, for the first time in history all the major governments of the world have used only fiat currencies. That allows governments to operate undisciplined and print unlimited currency units. The more currency units that exist, the lower the value. Since '71 there has been a 70-fold increase in US debt which is unsustainable. This spending and debt will be propped up for a while until the currencies fail causing world-wide hyperinflation. The Bible describes a scenario in the end times in which an entire day's wages will barely buy enough food to survive. This describes a world ravaged by hyperinflation, and it's the backdrop against which the Antichrist makes his drive for global conquest (Revelation 6). He will win the hearts of the people by his promises and smooth talk, but later will rule with an iron fist requiring the allegiance and worship of all. (prophecynewswatch.com 10/4)

## The Largest One-Year Increase in Murder in the History of the United States.

Our culture has produced a violent, blood-soaked reality in our streets. The final stunning numbers for 2020 have been released by the FBI. The Uniform Crime Report details a rise in murder of around 29%. The previous largest one-year change was a 12.7% increase in 1968. The murder rate is even higher this year than it was last year by nearly 10%. (prophecynewswatch.com 9/24)

## Before Marines Left Kabul, U.S Commanders Made Them Remove Anti-Taliban and Anti-ISIS Graffiti.

As American troops were preparing to leave Kabul for the last time, they didn't take steps to ensure that all American citizens could safely leave the country. They didn't do anything to get \$85 billion worth of American weapons into safe hands or insure it was the Afghans who actually helped us who got onto the planes. No, they had a more important priority, to make sure that the Marines didn't leave behind any graffiti which the Taliban or ISIS would find insulting. One Marine recounted, "My boys had to go pick

up every last piece of trash...for who? The Taliban? It was a slap in the face to us. (Jihadwatch.com 10/5)

## US to Send \$64,000,000 to Taliban Before Getting All Americans Out.

USAID insists the money is going "directly to Afghans" and not to the Taliban. It will go to the UN and various NGOs which will predictably pay the Taliban protection money. The idea that the UN is an honest broker that won't be entangled in dealing with terrorists is a sick joke when you consider that UN-RWA in Gaza is pretty much Hamas. (jihadwatch.com 9/16)

## Biden Adm Endorses Bill That Allows Abortions "Without Limitations Or Requirements".

The White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) announced that the Biden administration had endorsed the Women's Health Protection Act (H.R. 3755). The bill "supersedes and applies to the law of the Federal Government and each State government." It dispenses with ultrasounds, counseling and mandatory waiting periods prior to abortion. The bill would bar states from prohibiting any abortion prior to fetal viability.

It also would bar the prohibition of abortion after fetal viability if, in the healthcare provider's judgment, continuing the pregnancy would pose a risk to the pregnant patient's life or health. The bill was also endorsed by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi who said, "This is about freedom, about freedom of women to have choice about the size and timing of their families." The House approved the legislation but many believe the bill is unlikely to pass the Senate. (Israel365news.com 9/26)

Pray God's mercy on our innocent unborn babies, our leaders and our country.

## Prayer in Public Schools Is Back...as Long as It's Prayer to Allah.

California's "Elk Grove Unified School District began offering culturally appropriate meals and setting aside rooms in many of its middle and high schools for prayer during Muslim holidays in preparation for the additional Afghan refugee students it expects in the next month." (jihadwatch.com 9/26)

## U.S. Army Accused of Promoting Satanism to Troops.

(Israel365news.com 9/23)

# America's Downward Slide