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“Let us be alert to the season in which we are living. It is the season of the Blessed Hope, calling for us to cut our ties with the world and build ourselves on this One who will soon appear. He is our hope—a Blessed Hope enabling us to rise above our times and fix our gaze upon Him.” Tozer

School Year Begins for Third Temple Priests

By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz August 11, 2016

‘And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister unto Me in the priest’s office; and their anointing shall be to them for an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations.’ Exodus 40:15 (The Israel Bible™)



The priests gather in the Holy Temple with the High Priest (Photo: Video screenshot)

The Temple Institute has brought the Third Temple one step closer by establishing a school for Jewish priests (kohanim) to learn how to perform the Temple Service. A group of students, certified as being from the priestly caste, stands ready to learn all of the details of this complicated task, which may become relevant sooner than anyone thinks.

Four months ago, the Temple Institute established a registry of Kohanim, a list of men who have a clear patriarchal heritage from the priestly class. The Kohanim must fit certain criteria, in addition to having priestly heritage: they must have been born and raised in Israel, and have observed the laws of purity incumbent upon priests.

This excludes anyone who has come into proximity with the dead, so priests who were born in hospitals, have visited hospitals, or have entered cemeteries are not eligible.

The Temple Institute was founded in 1987 to fulfill the mission of bringing about the Third Temple. In addition to educating and raising awareness, the Institute made amazing practical progress in this daunting task.

It has recreated over 70 vessels that are ready to be used in the Temple, is breeding the Red Heifer in order to purify the Nation of Israel, and has produced the special garb the Bible requires the Kohanim to wear while performing the Temple service.

The Institute has also reconstructed the High Priest’s breastplate featuring the twelve precious stones of the tribes of Israel, the half-ton golden menorah that will stand inside the Temple, and the musical instruments of the Levitical choir. In addition, it has made significant advances in preparing the architectural plans for the building of the Temple.

In order to further their goal, the Temple Institute established The Nezer HaKodesh Institute for Kohanic Studies

to instruct Jews from the priestly caste in the Temple service. This comes after four years of extensive pilot programs. In the new program, students will learn the halacha (Torah law) relevant to the Temple service.

The Temple Institute's courses of study include: The Role and Application of Modern Technology in the Third Temple; The Mathematics of the Holy Temple; The Temple Service: Theory and Practice; Holy Temple Administration; The Sacred Temple Vessels: Aspects of Engineering and Design; and The Topography of the Temple Mount and the Structure of Ezekiel's Temple.

"We are extremely excited to announce this new step towards the restoration of the Holy Temple service," Rabbi Chaim Richman, international director of the Temple Institute, said in statement announcing the new Kohanic institute.

"We call first and foremost upon Kohanim worldwide to support this special project, which signifies a return to their birth right."

The second Temple was destroyed by the Romans in 70 CE and the Temple Mount has been under Jordanian supervision since Israel conquered it in 1967. Administered by the Waqf, a Jordanian Muslim authority, non-Muslims are forbidden from praying at the site, and Jewish visitation is severely limited.

Discussing plans to build a Jewish Temple on the Temple Mount is considered by some to be incitement to Muslim violence. The Temple Institute is advancing the 2,000 year old dream of a Temple in Jerusalem in a way that does not disturb Muslim observance on the Temple Mount.

The first job for the Kohanim proposed by the Institute will be to initiate the Red Heifer service, which is performed outside the Temple Mount.

Israel's Chief Ashkenazi Rabbi David Lau and several other Israeli politicians have suggested allowing multi-faith prayer at the site that would not involve removing or renovating the Muslim structures.

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It's not too late

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The late Ken Silva, owner of Apprising Ministries and Christian Research Network, wrote this blog post in 2012. His reflections from four years ago were true then and they are even more pertinent today. Ken lamented that, "Our young people are growing up in a dying nation, awash with relativistic political correctness, and skeptical, godless school systems indoctrinating them into the religion of secular humanism. The older generation is angry with the young because they will not listen to them, and the kids are bitter and angry because they don't know who to listen to! People end up feeling like the frazzled housewife in the old TV commercial going through an incredibly hectic day until she finally cries to the product, 'take me away!'"

Now to Ken's piece....

"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet." (Matthew 5:13)

Confusing Times

Unfortunately we live in a time where there is just so much misinformation floating around; not only in the religious arena, but in every area of life. It brings this quote from wise old Solomon to mind: he who increases knowledge increases sorrow (Ecclesiastes 1:18b). Many people seem so confused; and there's lots of good reason why because with the false philosophy of postmodernism things that once seemed certain, are now being debated, and/or are simply redefined.

Christian Apologists Paul R. Belli and G. Richard Fisher of the respected counter-cult/apologetics ministry Personal Freedom Outreach are correct when they point out:

For too long, the Church has avoided essential Christian doctrine. Because we don't do our homework, we produce theologically weak Christians. As a result, members fall prey to cults which could ultimately lead them away from a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Messages from the pulpit and from Sunday School teachers rarely focus on the essentials of our faith.

If anything, they are quickly touched upon or referenced to, causing little understanding and lots of confusion in the process. "Doctrine divides" has been the hue and cry. Yes, doctrine does divide – that's its very purpose.

It divides us from the Jehovah's Witnesses and from those [who would teach false doctrine, and] who promote a distorted view of Christ...[with such a teaching vacuum created, this was bound to happen. Until the issue of how to properly handle the Word of Truth is dealt with by the Body of Christ, these problems are going to continue and false teachers...will continue to flourish.

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Is it any wonder why everybody is so on edge, and growing ever more nervous and confused in our caffeine-driven society? As the story goes:

There was a young man who was pacing back and forth incessantly in a room adjoining an auditorium where a series of lectures was being given.

A kind lady finally stopped him and said, "You seem quite nervous about going up to speak next."

"Who, me? Nervous?" replied the man. "Not me. I'm not nervous. I make speeches all the time."

The woman asked, "Is that so; then what are you doing here in the Ladies Room?"

So you see, it's quite easy to get turned around.

Study To Show Yourself Approved

How is it there is such confusing, and conflicting opinion in virtually every area of life? Well, the answer must be stated bluntly; there are too many who just do not have the proper qualifications to speak on the subjects about which they are so quick to pontificate on. Today we have a veritable cornucopia of so-called "experts," who are simply no more capable in their fields than TV's fictional Tim "The Tool Man" Taylor is in his Home Improvement workshop.

So, now it's imperative that you be very careful to thoroughly check out whom it is that you choose to listen to. From the poison fruit of secular humanism and relativism we now have a severe crisis of morality in our society, and as a result there are many scholars who do not use proper ethics in their works. The honest scholar seeks to discover the actual truth; regardless of his own personal convictions. And while all of us, as human beings, are biased to at least some degree, the honest researcher does his best to set these presuppositions aside.

In the case of those of us who are Christians, we sincerely ask the Lord to keep our prejudices out of our work, but the fact remains: the objective seeker of truth is interested in one thing only: What does the actual evidence show to be true. And today more than ever as we see this apostasy growing and the sky turning red this morning, we must — Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15).

The time is now for the Christian to get back to studying what the Bible itself has to say and to further equip the saints to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints (Jude 3). I tell you in the Lord that teachers of a counterfeit Christianity like Rick Warren and Brian McLaren and Joel Osteen have been allowed by the Lord as judgment against the church visible. It's a wake-up call if you will; but the good news is, it's not too late. Let's renew our vows to our great God and Savior to boldly stand for His Truth, no matter what; to the end.

For it is written:

My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. (Lamentations 3:20-26)

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Ukraine joining NATO would be trigger for war with Russia

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Nuclear Trigger

August 2016 – UKRAINE – It's the nightmare scenario Europe and the rest of the west is dreading — an aggressive Moscow unleashes its military might, plunging Europe and the world into chaos. But despite fears a potential war would include nuclear weapons, an Australian expert and former spy thinks there is a far more likely outcome. And it's almost as terrifying. "The red line in the sand is if NATO makes Ukraine a member," Professor Paul Dibb, an Australian Russian expert, told news.com.au. "That will be seen as a call for war."

That's the moment that would force Russia's hand and make war almost inevitable. But Prof Dibb doesn't agree with a former NATO chief's prediction that meant Russia would use its nuclear arsenal. In May, General Sir Richard Shirreff stoked nuclear fears when he warned Europe would be locked in nuclear war with Russia within a year. An emeritus professor of strategic studies at The Australian National University, Prof Dibb said Russia remains one of the biggest threats to international world order today.

Professor Dibb, who lived a double life as an informer for ASIO against the -Soviets from 1965 until 1984, said nuclear war with Russia was not an impossibility. However he maintains the bigger and more likely threat to peace would be the issue of NATO and Ukraine. Such a move would convince Putin that Russia didn't have to tolerate US and NATO forces right on his doorstep. This in turn could have repercussions for Australia with the US forced to pour more resources into stabilizing Europe and less into maintaining security in the South China Sea. Professor Dibb said this would therefore mean any issues arising in China and across the Pacific would take a back seat.

According to Professor Dibb, Putin regards the disintegration of the Soviet Union as one of the greatest crimes of the 20th Century. "Putin saw it as Russia not 'only being robbed, but plundered,' he said. Putin is not only ambitious but patriotic, something he appears to rile up in his fellow countrymen. "Russians do not believe territories like Crimea belong to Ukraine, but rather to them," he said. Professor Dibb said some Russians didn't accept the view that Ukraine has a right to exist as a separate country and definitely didn't belong in NATO. Ukraine applied to join NATO Membership Action Plan in 2008 but the idea was shelved two years later. Professor Dibb admitted Russia's nuclear capabilities would be a concern for NATO forces.

In his warning, General Shirreff's said Europe could be locked in nuclear war with Russia "within a year" triggered by a Russian incursion into Baltic States; Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia. The retired general said he had an "awful vision of the Baltic States being seized" and NATO being unable to respond due to Russia having nuclear weapons. His prediction" is the basis for his book War With Russia, which is a fictional account of how a nuclear

war in the continent could unfold. However according to Brisbane-based observer of international relations Nikolay Murashkin such an idea as that raised in the book only serves to “tap into a populist sentiment building on the usual alarmist Cold War narrative.”

The doctoral candidate at the University of Cambridge and an associate member of RMIT University’s Centre for Global Research said the narrative is apparently gaining traction as the Western sanctions keep pushing Russia into China’s embrace. However he agreed with author’s sentiment that “we mustn’t allow ourselves to sleepwalk into another conflict. Peace needs to be protected — by all parties involved, not unilaterally — and this can’t be achieved through alarmism and reckless escalation,” he said. —News.au

“Jesus Calling” to launch radio hour to worship false Christ

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Sarah Young’s multi-million dollar heretical Jesus Calling franchise will now be a nationally syndicated radio broadcast called the Jesus Calling Worship Hour. Making the announcement exclusively on its Facebook page, Jesus Calling by Sarah Young reported that the program will be a one-hour weekly event debuting Labor Day weekend on more than 400 stations in 44 states.

“We’ll be featuring recorded comments, testimonials and stories from Jesus Calling fans just like you sharing how this book has impacted your faith walk,” reported the site.

The site is asking people to share their testimonies. Not about the real Jesus Christ of the Bible, but about the false Jesus that Sarah Young claims speaks to her in a “still small voice” as she writes down everything “He” “says.” This is called “automatic writing,” a technique used by psychics and mediums to channel and communicate with the spirit world. It is sorcery and strictly forbidden by God. (see Deuteronomy 18:10)

Fans were urged to call in on a “special testimonial line” to record their comments which would be aired on future broadcasts. No word on which of the nation’s 400 radio stations will participate in this weekly testimony to sorcery.

NBC: Your Children Will Definitely Be Microchipped

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NBC say that microchipping children will definitely happen 'sooner rather than later'

NBC News has continued its attempt to normalize the idea of microchips for humans, airing a report that claims children will be microchipped ‘sooner rather than later’ and that Americans will accept this because it will make their children ‘safer.’

The public will accept microchips as easily as they accepted barcodes on consumer items, the report says.

Mother of three Steffany Rodroquez-Neely talks about how she briefly lost her daughter after she hid behind a rack of clothes in a department store – “Every parent’s nightmare when you can’t find your child. If it’ll save my kid, there’s no stuff that’s too extreme,” says Rodroquez-Neely. “Micro-chipping would be an extra layer of protection, if something bad does happen.”

Rodroquez-Neely says that members of the local Tampa Bay Moms Group, people like Kerri Levey, are wary about implanting a microchip into their children.

“You’re putting a battery in your kid, you’re putting a chip in your kid. And, where does it stop,” asks Levey.

“Where? It’s going too far. This is a child we’re talking about.”

“If a small chip the size of a grain of rice could have prevented a tragedy, I think most parents would have said, I think I would have done it,” responds Rodriguez-Neely.

‘Those who give up essential liberty, to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety.’
Benjamin Franklin.

Nobody reminds Rodriguez-Neely that tracking devices already exist that do not need to be implanted into the body. Watches, cell phones, etc, are all already used by parents for this purpose.

And wouldn’t these chips be more useful to predators (individual and organised) than those who want to protect the children?

But NBC’s propaganda piece, aimed at normalizing the idea of microchips, went even further.

Electronics expert Stuart Lipoff said that microchipping children is “safe and inevitable.”

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Branding human cattle

Lipoff also told NBC that people shouldn’t be concerned about “big brother” tracking their children – this technology will only be used for “safety and convenience,” he says – and that the technology is nothing more than an upgrade on traditional cattle branding, and barcodes on consumer items.

“When barcodes first came out in the late 1960s, people were appalled. They were wary of them and did not understand the concept. Today, it is so commonplace, we don’t even notice it. A microchip would work much in the same way,” he said, adding that it will “definitely happen.”

The only catch is that you won’t know exactly what is being put into your child’s body. You also won’t know who will have access to the data. If history repeats, it will go from being technology adopted for its ‘convenience and safety’ and then overnight will become mandatory for you and your family – or else.