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Pope Francis: World Government Must Rule U.S. ‘For Their Own Good’

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Pope Francis told the Italian newspaper *La Repubblica* that the United States of America has “a distorted vision of the world” and Americans must be ruled by a world government, as soon as possible, “for their own good.”

The Pope made the observation in an interview with *La Repubblica* reporter Eugenio Scalfari.

“Last Thursday, I got a call from Pope Francis,” Scalfari reported. “It was about noon, and I was at the newspaper when my phone rang.”

He said Pope Francis had been watching Putin and Trump at the G20 and had become agitated. The Pope demanded to see him at four that afternoon, according to a Google translation of the Italian report.

“Pope Francis told me to be very concerned about the meeting of the G20,” Scalfari wrote.

As translated into English by Agence France Presse, which picked up the story, the Pope said “I am afraid there are very dangerous alliances between powers who have a distorted view of the world: America and Russia, China and North Korea, Russia and Assad in the war in Syria.”

“The danger concerns immigration,” the Pope continued to *La Repubblica*. “Our main and unfortunately growing problem in the world today is that of the poor, the weak, the excluded, which includes migrants.”

“This is why the G20 worries me: It mainly hits immigrants,” Pope Francis said, according to AFP.

Pope Francis’s idea that Americans would be better off under a world government doesn’t stop there. The radical leftist pontiff also went on record stating that Europe should become one country under one government.

In the same interview, according to *La Repubblica*, Pope Francis said that Europe must take on a “federal structure,” resembling feudal times when the peasants were ruled by unimpeachable monarchs.

“I also thought many times to this problem and came to the conclusion that, not only but also for this reason, Europe must take as soon as possible a federal structure,” the Pope said, according to the Google translation of the *La Repubblica* article.

Prophecy 2019 -- Denying the emergence of NWO even while it develops in our faces

By Michael Bresciani January 7, 2019

When Christ exclaimed that when the blind were leading the blind, both would fall into a ditch – he did not include the clear theological maxim contained in the profound insights given later in the teachings of the Apostle Paul.

Paul caught the ball running and said all who walk through this world without Christ are blinded by the god of this world (Satan).

This does not mean that they have an excuse for sin and the mess they have made of their world.

It is why we know, that for the world, the term "Happy New Year" is the perfect non sequitur for anything that happened the year before.

It will be happy for a favored few and a slippery slope for the rest. 2019 promises to be one of the most troubled years in our history and is a prelude to the fiery possibilities that 2020 will surely bring.

Europe is running toward its hope of a strong personality to lead it into the long awaited United States of Europe.

Germany's Angela Merkel and France's Emmanuel Macron have led their countries into a deep leftist quagmire where both nations have all but lost their cultural identities and the flood of immigration under these leaders make the US Border problems pale in comparison. As usual the US is too preoccupied with its own affairs to learn very much from these events. Under Brussels leadership the rest of the continent has little to look forward to but a long and protracted battle for national survival. One journalist says of illegal immigration, "Immigration: The leftist fallacy and subversion of America" – he is undoubtedly correct.

Germany's Merkel has openly declared that President Trump has ruined the 'New World Order' which of course most people deny is even happening.

Recently Pope Francis told an Italian newspaper reporter from La Repubblica that "the United States of America has "a distorted vision of the world" and Americans must be ruled by a world government, as soon as possible, "for their own good." Yet Closer to home our own Rand Paul says 'New World Order' is Terrified of Trump.

Yet when Christians believe in the prophetic promise of one world government emerging just before the return of Christ, they are promptly labeled as conspiracy theorists or worse. This is not simply hypocrisy it is the very definition of total blindness.

In the US the leftists, progressives and democrats continue with has been aptly termed, "Trump derangement syndrome." The shameless displays against the president are like a pack of grunting baboons or yelping hyenas circling the prey. All reason, dignity or repose has been abandoned and the truth is, that to date, Mr. Trump has accomplished more in two years than Mr. Obama did in both his terms in office.

The Democratic party of this nation has fragmented and is now altogether the party of perversion, sodomy, abortion and self-indulgence. The LGBT has become a militant force against America and anyone who does not accept perversion. Those who hold power have little interest in the will of the American people but they legislate in the people's name, which is in itself their greatest hypocrisy so far.

Abortion is so obviously murder, but to the blind it is some kind of 'right.' It is now the leading cause of death in this, and all nations above, smoking, heart disease and cancer.

Morality has fallen like a stone and Americans are electing those who reflect the decline which accounts for the success of the progressives. It is what makes the perversion of the term so great, is regression really progress – think again, what we are calling progress is in fact, the fall of the republic.

If "immigration" is subversion then "immorality" must be destruction. That conclusion comes from the Bible, but how many Americans trust that book today?

Those who think they are intelligent are never illiterate; conversely the biblically illiterate are never intelligent. Real wisdom has always been more than an intelligence quotient. It goes back to the blind guiding the blind and it is a conclusion not well received by this generation.

While scoffing at the bible the secular world is following the formula explained in its pages for the appearance and, rise and seating of the world's last dictator. His success will be total.

With false religions rising and prurient behaviors becoming normalized the upper levels of governments will easily put in place the man who comes to rule them for the last seven years of time as we now know it.

Because they are reprobate, God allows them to fall. Scripture says the upper echelons of power have "one mind" (Rev 17: 13) and they are delighted to give him the power.

Views on second coming doctrine range from what some people see as hoopla, and others see as an ominous sort of bad thing. It is rarely seriously studied by preachers of the cotton candy gospel and generally fluffed off, by those who think politics alone is where it's at.

A lot of whacky second coming material can be found on YouTube, but it often raises more questions for the unlearned and those who are prone to conspiracy material.

A New Mideast Order Is Taking Shape

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The era of chaos in the Middle East is drawing to a close, and a new phase, which contains its own set of dangers, is taking shape, a senior former intelligence official has told JNS.

<http://www.prophecynewswatch.com/images/recent/orderjan102019.jpg>

Brig. Gen. (res.) Eli Ben Meir, former head of the Assessment Department at the Israel Defense Force's Military Intelligence Directorate, said the period of the "Arab Spring," marked by tectonic instability and dramatic changes, is drawing to a close.

The Arab Spring period featured large-scale civil wars, uprisings and the involvement of external elements

in failed states, as old orders fell apart.

"In recent years ... one would get up in the morning and didn't know who controlled Syria, or what was happening in Iraq and Yemen," said Ben Meir, who headed the strategically vital Assessment Department in 2015 and at the start of 2016. "This was a period in which frameworks broke apart, and the old order underwent change. But from 2018 onwards, those states that were a mess have begun stabilizing. The assessment is that this will continue in the coming year."

This trend has proven true for Syria, Iraq and even Yemen, where the Saudis and Shi'ite Houthi rebels--warring enemies--are discussing ceasefires and seeking new understandings. States that were worried about "being next" to suffer instability due to a regional domino effect, like Jordan and Saudi Arabia, have remained stable, and now understand that they are not about to crumble, according to Ben Meir.

The time of popular uprisings, mass protests and social networks fueling regime change has vanished, he said. "Even in Syria, which experienced the biggest mess, [Syrian President Bashar] Assad has remained."

This does not mean that rebel assassins can't try to target Arab leaders in any country in the region--a threat that has always existed--but regime change won't happen through "the streets or Facebook, like the events of Tahrir Square [in Egypt]," affirmed Ben Meir.

A new period of explosiveness

The newfound stability in the Middle East is not, unfortunately, a guarantee for calm; rather, it most likely increases the potential for unpredictable conflict. In Syria, according to foreign reports, Israel conducted a large number of airstrikes against developing Iranian threats, taking advantage of the lack of a capable regime and military in that country.

"Now, however, the state and military are slowly coming back to Syria. A sovereign state has military capabilities. It can retaliate or go to war. It didn't do those things when it was busy defending itself," said Ben Meir.

Israel took advantage of the lack of a centralized Syrian regime to take preventative action, but it remains unclear how much longer it can do this without sparking an inter-state conflict.

In addition, the new order taking shape in the region includes the Shi'ite Iranian-Hezbollah axis. This axis remains highly active in Syria, and is attempting to gain dangerous accomplishments, like the deployment of precision missiles and the building weapons factories, Ben Meir assessed.

The new order taking shape is prone to "disruption and influence," he said, "whether it is [Israel's], the U.S., Russia or because of the influence of events."

In the Gaza Strip, he noted, fundamental problems that could lead to conflict have not been solved. The Strip remains locked in an economic crisis, and Hamas could end up going to war if its cash flow runs out.

Referring to the arrival of Qatari suitcases filled with assistance money, Ben Meir noted that "when those \$15 million run out, either another suitcase with 15 million arrives, or we will face rockets. In principle, we gained time, but we have not solved the problem."

Disrupting the enemy's build-up of force

On Dec. 11, the recently appointed Military Intelligence Directorate chief, Maj. Gen. Tamir Hyman, offered

his assessment to the Knesset's Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee. While many of his comments were classified, the Knesset publicized some of them, including his view that the current period is one of "disruption, influence and [a new order] taking shape." It is an opportunity "to act in all sectors," as part of Israel's campaign to interfere with enemy force build-up processes.

Hyman noted that in Lebanon, Hezbollah possesses an arsenal of unguided projectiles, and that as of now, it "lacks an industrial ability to convert [unguided rockets into accurate ones] and manufacture precision weaponry."

In Syria, the Assad regime is stabilizing, Hyman said, and the Shi'ite axis is entrenching itself. Israel, he warned, is committed to the goal of pushing Iran and Hezbollah away from the Golan Heights region.

Within Iran itself, a dispute has broken out within the leadership over the price of the Islamic Republic's attempt to entrench itself in Syria. "As a result, we recognize a trend in which [the Iranian entrenchment] has stopped, and it has been reduced on the ground by tens of percentages," said Hyman.

Yet the Dec. 25 airstrike in Syria, reportedly targeting a depot containing Iranian rockets, appears to be a sign that the Israeli-Iranian shadow war in Syria is far from over.

As the Middle East enters a new order, decision-makers across the region will likely be aware that the margin for miscalculation has become smaller.

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Pastor Stanley's Words Are Dangerous': Messianic Believers Say 2nd Biggest US Church Should NOT Ditch Old Testament

John Waage Jan 14

A trio of Messianic Jewish leaders in the Atlanta area is the latest to publicly sound alarms concerning the "replacement theology" teachings about Christians and the Old Testament by Andy Stanley, pastor of North Point, the nation's second largest church.

In his latest controversial comments about Christians moving away from the Ten Commandments, Stanley said, "The new covenant replaced the old one. The covenant established by Jesus retired the covenant God established with the nation of Israel."

Stanley sparked controversy last year when he preached a sermon series calling on Christians to "unhitch" their faith from the Old Testament. That sounded, to many believers, Jewish and Gentile, like a form of replacement theology—the idea that the Church has replaced biblical Israel and that God's promises to Israel as a nation and the Jews as a people are essentially over. At the time, Stanley said his words had been taken out of context.

Ryan Lambert, a Messianic Jewish teacher and outreach director for First Fruits of Zion (FFOZ) ministry based in Jerusalem and Atlanta, has attended seminars at North Point and respects its leadership. He made his concerns known to high-level staff members at the church. He said he was told that when Stanley's new book was published, many of the issues would be cleared up.

Last fall, Stanley released his book entitled, *Irresistible: Reclaiming the New that Jesus Unleashed for the World*. But after reading the book, Lambert wrote, "My concerns that had been raised during Pastor Andy's sermon series were not only confirmed but significantly increased."

Lambert and two colleagues at FFOZ, Toby Janicki and Damian Eisner, appeared in a video response to Irresistible called "Irreplaceable: the Answer to Andy Stanley's 'Irresistible' Replacement Theology."

Lambert cites a passage in Irresistible in which Stanley wrote, "(Paul) knew the legalism, hypocrisy, self-righteousness, and exclusivity that characterized ancient Judaism would eventually seep into and erode the beauty, simplicity, and appeal of the ekklesia (church) of Jesus."

Lambert responded, "I don't think Andy Stanley is an anti-Semite. But this kind of rhetoric, which speaks of Judaism as something that has been replaced and that is characterized as 'self-righteous' and 'eroding' the ekklesia can and has led to common negative Christian stereotypes of both Judaism and Jews. Too often throughout history, such stereotypes and characterizations have led the way toward hostile, violent, and destructive actions toward the Jewish community by the hands of Christians."

He added, "Pastor Stanley's words are dangerous."

But Janicki believes Stanley's solution to basically "leave the Old Testament behind," is a slippery slope.

"What happens when you get to that stuff (violence, etc.) in the New Testament, because it is in the New Testament as well?" Janicki insists. "We have to read the Bible in its proper Jewish context." He is troubled by Stanley's statement, "You could read through the Old Testament and never see Jesus."

"I don't know how that is possible," Janicki said. He asserts the Old Testament is woven with Messianic symbolism from start to finish, and Stanley's contention is "simply not true."

Damian Eisner said, "Andy would criticize us for pointing out Yeshua (Jesus) in the Torah (Genesis through Deuteronomy) and the Tanach (the Old Testament) because he actually criticized the church councils and early church fathers because they were desperate to bring the Jewish scriptures in where they never belonged." Eisner calls the first 150 pages of Stanley's book "a car wreck," but says "the last hundred pages or so of the book are about love."

The following is just another proof of the deadness of the Church of England (Anglicans and Episcopalians). Truth be told, since the Anglicans are simply Catholicism without the pope, it's never been on the right track although this author makes a certain claim to biblical standards. Nevertheless, because the Alpha Course comes out of there, and because evangelicals don't seem to have a problem aligning themselves with the Anglicans through that and other events, and because there are many Anglicans across the border to our north, I think this article has merit as another sign of the times.

Baptism-style ceremony for men who 'transition' to female? Why Church of England has imploded

December 14 (LifeSiteNews) – Each winter as the days get shorter and darkness falls earlier, I begin to look forward to my drive home from the office each day. Halfway home, I drive past a small white-frame church. It is an Anglican church built in 1854, now nearly surrounded by the ancient gravestones of those who once worshipped within its walls. As night creeps into the afternoon, the lights in the church come on, and the stained-glass windows glow a gorgeous gold, bathing the snow around the church in pale yellow light, casting an occasional flicker into the graveyard. There is something quietly beautiful about the sight every single time.

It is strange to consider just how far the Church of England has fallen since the days when this little church was built. Back then, Bishop J.C. Ryle was still preaching from his Liverpool pulpit. Rev. John Newton had been gone for scarcely forty years, and William Wilberforce for less than twenty-five. Back then, it was a church filled with many men and women who truly believed in the Scriptures, and many spent whole lifetimes bringing the Gospel message to the societies around them.

I mention this due to the fact that earlier this week, I spotted this headline in the Telegraph: "Church of England to offer baptism-style services to transgender people to celebrate their new identity for first time." As it turns out, Canterbury's rush to irrelevance (clerics warn that steadily plunging attendance numbers will only increase in the years ahead) now includes the bizarre heresy of creating a new sacrament, specifically tailored to celebrate the delusions of "sex-reassignment" surgery for "transgender" people.

The Church of England's tailspin has been strange to watch, not because they are the first or the only mainline denomination to collapse under the weight of its own compromises. Here in Canada, for example, the United Church campaigned for legal abortion, celebrated the destruction of the Christian ethic of sexuality, and now has at least one atheist minister. They have been only somewhat jokingly referred to as "the NDP at prayer." But the brazenness with which the clerics of the Church of England have spat on their own heritage has been jarring, to say the least. From the Telegraph:

New pastoral guidance, published on Tuesday, advises clergy to refer to transgender people by their new name, though it stops short of being a baptism. The guidance, which was approved by the House of Bishops on Monday night, also details how elements including water and oil can be incorporated into the service.

It also advises that as part of a special service, they can be presented with gifts such as a Bible inscribed in their chosen name, or a certificate. The guidance notes: "For a trans person to be addressed liturgically by the minister for the first time by their chosen name may be a powerful moment in the service."

As a central part of the new service, called the Affirmation of Baptismal Faith, the minister lays their hands on the candidate or candidates, addresses them by name, and prays for them. While the Church is clear that this does not constitute a second baptism, it explains that the Affirmation of Baptismal Faith enables people to "renew the commitments made in baptism and in a public setting and provides space for those who have undergone a major transition to re-dedicate their life to Jesus Christ."

It is understood that traditionalists in the Church blocked a change in the liturgy and stopped this from becoming a new blessing.

I wasn't aware that there were many traditionalists left in the Church of England, perhaps with the exception of the British writer Peter Hitchens, who wrote a beautiful lament for his church in *First Things* some time ago:

Now it has almost entirely vanished. You can still catch it at Christmas in a village church when a small child with a strong country accent grapples for the first time with the nativity story in the King James Bible, and the music of the eternal flows into the silent building through his hesitating tongue. The tongue is a fire. Likewise, the voice of the dullest and most banal curate is forced to soar as he reads the unaffected, lovely, heartbreaking words of the 1662 order for Holy Matrimony, or its elegiac twin, the earthy, uncompromising burial service. But these treasures, intricate ancient workmanship polished in use to a soft, deep gleam, are now rarely heard. Blander, more diffident, and less disturbing rituals, substituting syrupy banality for alarming majesty, have replaced them.

When I was small, these lovely, disturbing things were normal. There were no alternative modern services or sensible, rewritten Bibles from which every trace of poetry had been carefully removed. There were no

jolly modern hymns. The bloodthirsty, vengeful bits of the Psalms were still sung in the ancient monastic cycle inherited from the Romish past. Priests and ministers (the title depending on how Protestant they were) wore academic hoods and gowns to remind us that they were learned, thoughtful men. These flashes of red and blue were, in fact, their chief adornments, worn atop austere Calvinist black and white surplices. The cathedral into which we filed, sometimes twice a day, was both richly ornamented and austere, a combination I have found nowhere else and which satisfies a profoundly English desire for modesty and restraint, even in the presence of glory...

Those things are well and truly gone. A member of the same clergy that once presided over the majesty of Queen Elizabeth II's coronation, with the transcendent tones of Zadok the Priest thundering through the cathedral until the pillars seemed to shiver, has now politely asked the faithful to pray that her great-grandson, Prince George, might become a homosexual in order to increase tolerance for the LGBT community. Earlier this year, Anglican clergy urged the British government to ban so-called "conversion therapy" for those with gender dysphoria, and announced their intention to attempt to recruit transgender clerics. And now, of course, there's the new ceremony to celebrate one's "new" gender.

The Church of England, like so many others, is imploding due to its own utter emptiness, collapsing in on themselves as they are hollowed out. The King James Bible is vanishing, the Common Book of Prayer is quietly being abandoned, and everything believed by the men and women of a century ago and a millennium before that is quietly being exchanged for social experiments a few decades old, with the choirs and the formal readings being exchanged for peppy little ceremonies that celebrate the completion of Joseph's (now Josephine, mind you) recent castration.