

As of Dec 1st

Hamas released 110 hostages total

86 Israelis

24 foreign nationals

Israel released 240 Arab prisoners

5:42AM – Friday, Dec 1st – rockets launched from Gaza into town of Sderot

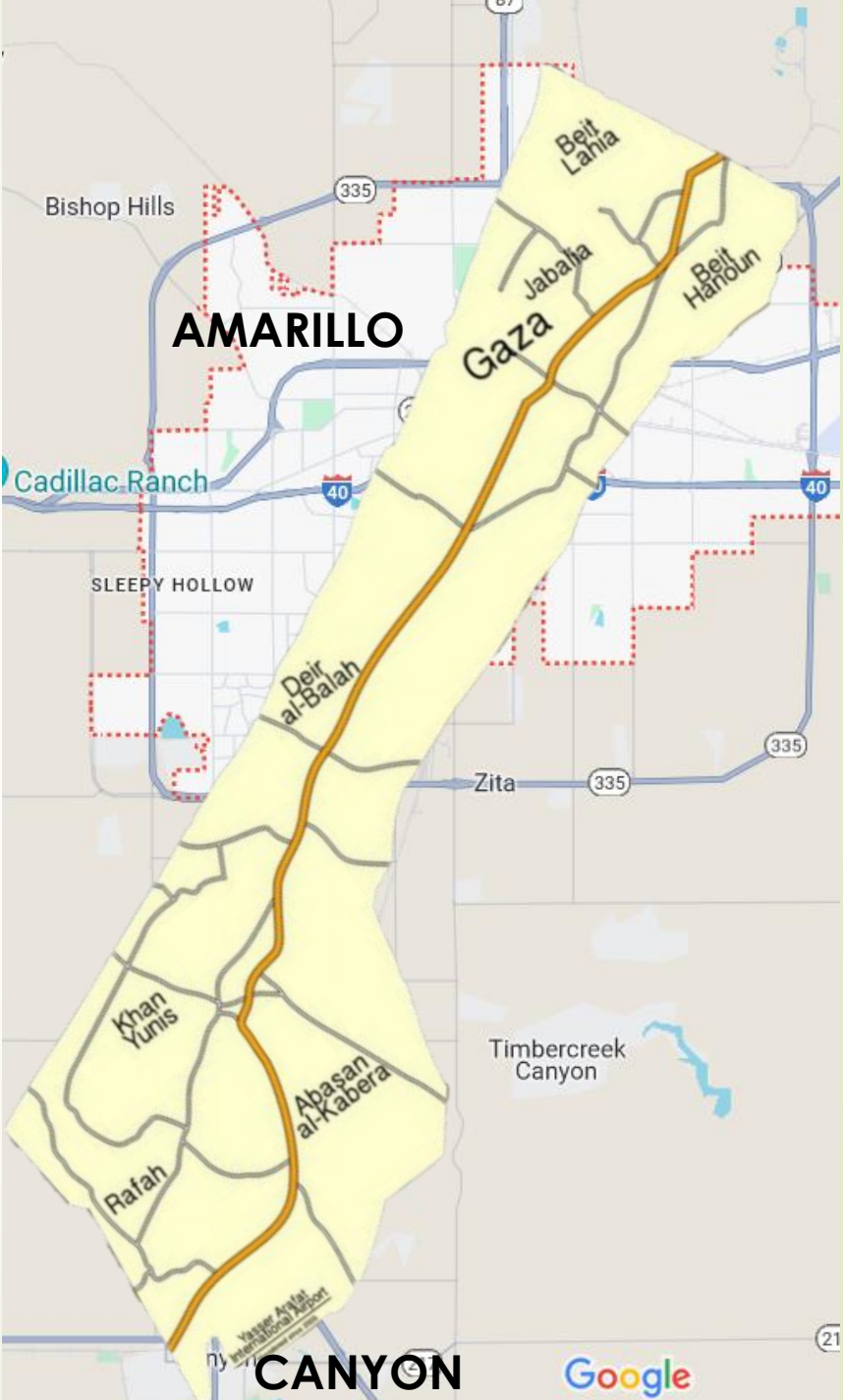
7:30AM – Israel begins bombing (>400) targets in Gaza



Still held hostage by Gaza terror groups when the truce collapsed were 136 people — 114 men, 20 women and two children. Ten of the hostages are 75 and older. 125 are Israeli. Eleven are foreign nationals, including eight from Thailand.

800 tunnels discovered so far
500 destroyed

Hanukkah
Thursday December 7th @ sundown
thru Dec 14th



The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER


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What kind of people ought you to be? (vs 11a)

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You ought to live holy and Godly lives
as you look forward to the day of God
and speed its coming

Destruction > renewal (vs 11b-13)

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Good ol' Peter (and maybe us, too!)

You are the Christ – the Son of the living God

NEVER Lord – this shall **NEVER** happen to you!

MATTHEW 16:16, 21-23

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II PETER

Good ol' Peter (and maybe us, too!)

I will put up three altars – for you, Moses & Elijah!

MATTHEW 17:4

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II PETER

Good ol' Peter (and maybe us, too!)

"We have left everything to follow you!
What then will there be for us?"

MATTHEW 19:27

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II PETER

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"Even if all fall away on account of you, I NEVER will."

"Even if I have to die with you, I will NEVER disown you."

But I may need a nap...or 3

MATTHEW 26:31-35, 40, 43, 45

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Good ol' Peter (and maybe us, too!)

"you shall NEVER wash my feet."

"I will lay down my life for you."

JOHN 13:8, 37

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Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear.

JOHN 18:10

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II PETER

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"Simon son of John, do you truly love me?"

Peter was hurt...

"Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

"Lord, what about him?"

WITYYFM

JOHN 21

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WITTYFM

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I PETER – LIVING IN CHRIST

Participate in the sufferings of Christ

chosen

Minds prepared for action, self-control

Imperishable inheritance

Chosen people

Royal priesthood

Shielded by God's power

Live good lives

Faith proved by suffering

Purified by obedience

Submit to authority

Reason for hope – with gentleness, respect

Clear-minded, self-controlled

Live in harmony

Compassionate, humble, do not repay evil for evil

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3:17 – don't fall from your secure position?

No Bible Classes

Sunday, December 24th

We will meet Sunday, December 31st



Almost 12,000 rockets from Gaza since Oct 7th

"The people of Gaza only decided to break the siege — the walls of the concentration camp — on Oct. 7," said Awad. "And yes, I was happy to see people breaking the siege and throwing down the shackles of their own land and walk free into their land that they were not free to walk in."

"And yes, the people of Gaza have the right to self-defense — have the right to defend themselves. And yes, Israel as an occupying power does not have that right to self-defense."

Nihad Awad, executive director and co-founder of
Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)
16th Annual Convention for Palestine in the U.S. on Nov. 24, 2023

"AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) and its affiliates have been controlling the United States government and the United States Congress," Awad said.

"And if someone says, 'Oh, Nihad Awad said this about the Congress, I tell you, 'Yes, I say it today, and I will say it tomorrow — unless we free Congress, we will not be able to free Palestine.'"

"Brothers and sisters, young people in the Democratic Party have sent a clear message to this administration and to the Democratic Party," Awad told the audience. "That you have betrayed our votes, you have betrayed our support, and you have betrayed young people who aspire for the United States of America to reposition itself as a moral leader in the world. They have betrayed us."

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William Miller, Millerites – 1883-1884
(New York)

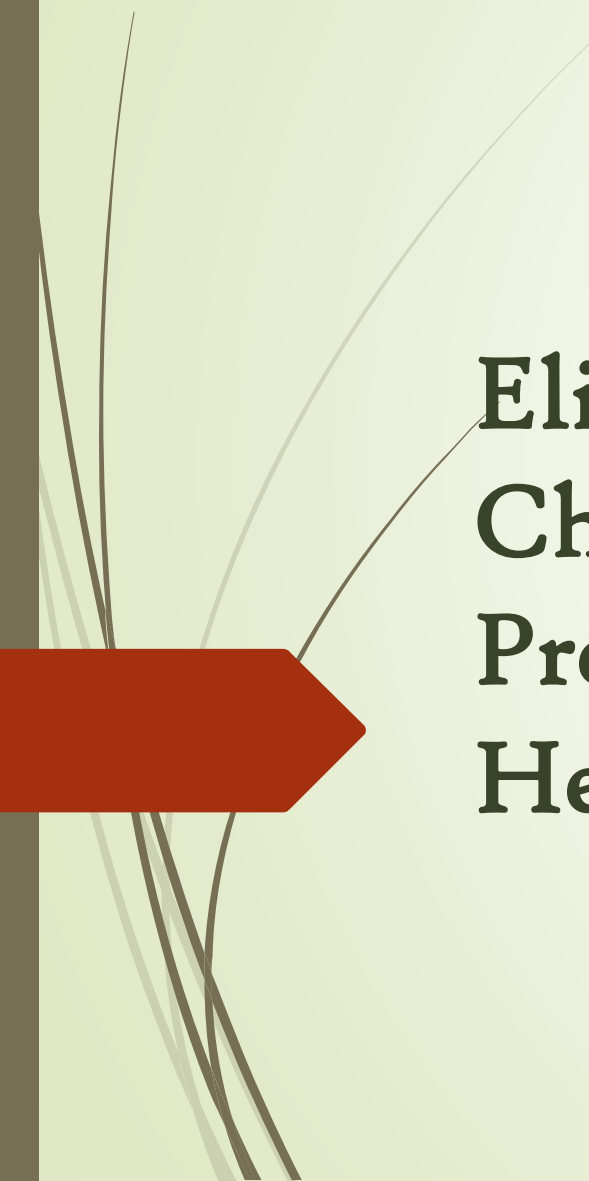
Predicted day - October 22, 1884

Head for the hills & trees

Later > Seventh Day Adventists

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II PETER



Elizabeth Clare Prophet – 1980's (Montana)
Church Universal & Triumphant
Predicted year - 1990
Head for the caves & bunkers



Khan Yunis

Rafah

Kerem Shalom

S. GAZA

ISRAEL

EGYPT

Hospital
مستشفى رفح

مسجد ابو حنا
Mosque
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MOPDA



Suez Canal

Strait of Hormuz

**Bab el-Mandeb
Gate of Tears/Grief**



Suez Canal

Yemen

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II PETER

Through righteousness of
our God & Savior – received precious faith

II PETER 1:1-4

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II PETER

Grace & peace through knowledge
Of God & of Jesus our Lord

II PETER 1:1-4

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II PETER

His divine power >

Everything we need for life & godliness

Through our knowledge of Him who called us

II PETER 1:1-4

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II PETER

Through His glory & goodness >
very great & precious promises >
- participate in the divine nature
- escape the corruption of the world

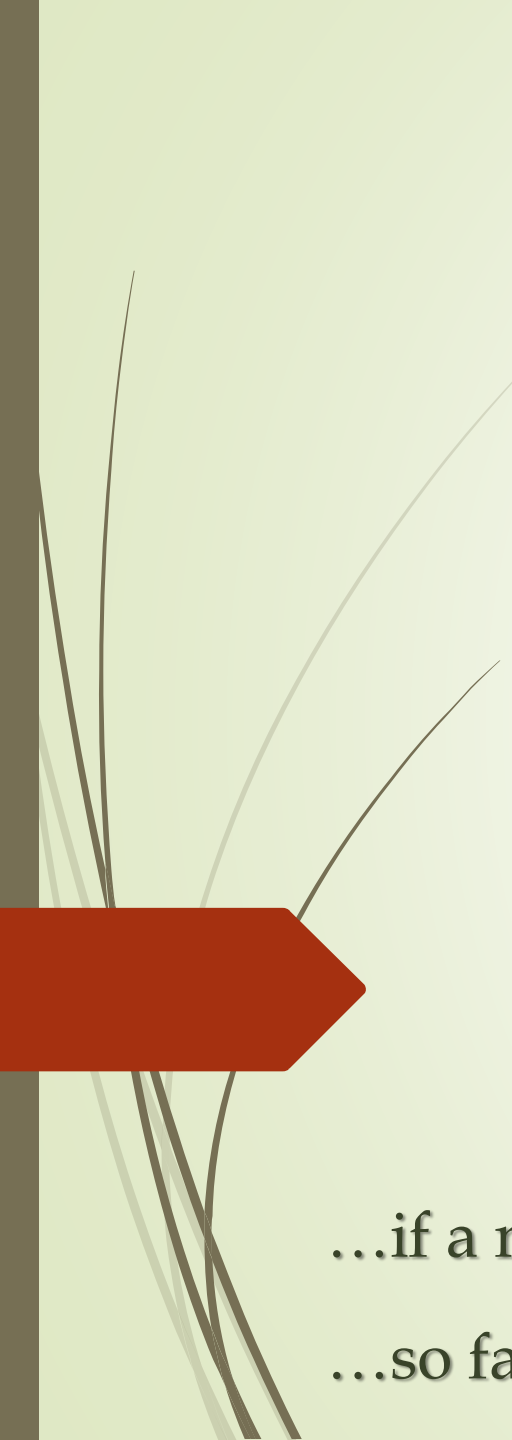
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Make every effort to add to your faith...

II PETER 1:5-11



The Council [of Trent] (c1545-1563)
fathers continued by saying,
"If anyone says that the sinner is justified
by faith alone, meaning that nothing
else is required to cooperate in order to
obtain the grace of justification and that
it is not in any way necessary that he be
prepared and disposed by the action of
his own will, let him be anathema"
(Session 6: can. 9).

...if a man claims to have faith but has no works? Can such faith save him?

...so faith without works is dead

JAMES 2:14, 26

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Make every effort to add to your faith...

II PETER 1:5-7

Faith _____

Goodness _____

Knowledge

Self-control _____

Perseverance _____

Godliness

Brotherly kindness _____

Love _____

GALATIANS 5:22-23

Faithfulness

Goodness

Peace

Self-control

Patience

Joy

Kindness

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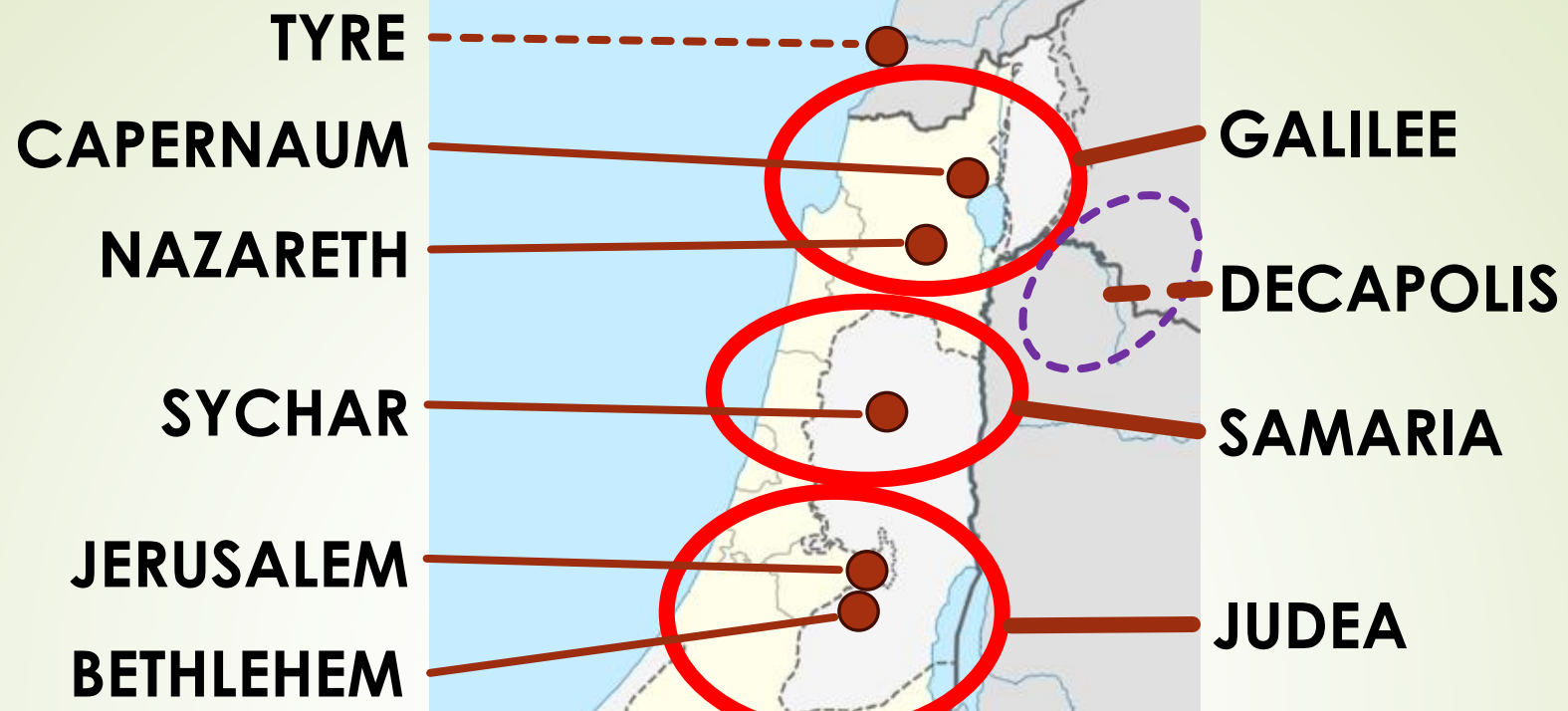
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If you possess these qualities in increasing measure...

II PETER 1:8-9

IF decreasing – ineffective, unproductive
in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ
Nearsighted & blind,
forgetting you have been cleansed from past sins

IF increasing - effective, productive
in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ
Farsighted, seeing,
remembering you have been cleansed from past sins



Jesus was **NOT** a Palestinian

Jesus was a **JEW** –
born, raised, ministered,
died, buried, resurrected
in **ISRAEL**

And He will return to **ISRAEL**

ISRAEL

Israel bombs Damascus airport – killing IRGC (Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps) members

IAEA reports Iran enriching uranium beyond 60%

Hezbollah increases attacks into northern Israel at Lebanon border

Yaha Sinwar (Hamas leader in Gaza) living quarters discovered & destroyed

Weapons continue to be found in mosques, schools, kindergartens, hospitals, children's bedrooms

Hospital administrator admits Hamas uses hospital's utilities & building for cover

Iran claims Oct 7th was revenge for Soleimani assassination (2020) – Hamas denies

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

If you possess these qualities in increasing measure..

II PETER 1:10-11

THEREFORE –

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- do these things & you will never fall

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IF I Don't have these things

- Is my calling & election sure?
- Can I fall?
- Can I lose my salvation?

**Human free will?
God's predestination?**

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II PETER

"Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat.
But I have prayed for you, Simon,
that your faith may not fail.
And when you have turned back,
strengthen your brothers."

"...you will deny three times that you know me."

LUKE 22:31-34

COLOSSIANS 1:22-23

JOHN 21:15-23

An explosion in a Beirut suburb Tuesday (Jan 2nd) killed Saleh Arouri, a senior Hamas leader. Arouri, the second-in-command of Hamas's political office, was killed in Dahieh, a densely populated stronghold of Hezbollah

At least 89 people were killed in twin blasts in Kerman, Iran, Wednesday Jan 3rd, and more than 280 were injured attending a memorial for top IRGC (Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps) General Qassem Soleimani (killed in Syria in 2020 by US drone)

ISIL (ISIS) claimed responsibility for the bombings

As people paid respects to the victims in front of caskets draped in Iranian flags, they shouted: "Death to America!" and "Death to Israel!"

IRGC commander Salami – ISIS is an agent of Israel & US

In a 30-minute recording titled, "And kill them wherever you find them," Islamic State (ISIS) spokesman Abu Huthaifa al-Ansari instructed terrorist cells to strike Israeli and Jewish targets across the United States and Europe, including synagogues, Jewish gatherings and Israeli diplomatic missions.

"The fight with Jews is a religious war, not a social or national battle," Al-Ansari said, stressing: "It is not a [war] centered around lands or borders." "Barge into their homes and kill them using different methods, including gunfire, bombs, grenades and knives," he stated. "Don't differentiate between a civilian or a soldier, as they both should be targeted."

"two suicide bombers, Omar al-Muwahid and Saifallah al-Mujahid, "set off to a large gathering of polytheist Shiites near the grave of their dead leader Qassem Soleimani in the city of Kerman ... where they detonated their explosive belts."

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II PETER

If you possess these qualities in increasing measure..

II PETER 1:10-11

THEREFORE –

- make your calling & election sure – to whom?

(not to God, but to ourselves –
taking hold of what God has already promised)

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II PETER

Is my calling & election un-sure?

II PETER 1:10-11

Do not grieve the Spirit – Ephesians 4:30

Do not quench the Spirit – I Thessalonians 5:19

Can I sweep my house clean – even of the Holy Spirit?

Leaving it open for evil to come in?

Luke 11:24-26

Peter's warnings – not “shape up or else!” (fear)

But – nourish your relationship with Christ (joy, peace)

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II PETER

Make your calling & election sure

II PETER 1:10-11

Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery?

Not at all!

Romans 11:11

How much more through the blood of Christ...

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II PETER

I will always remind you of these things, even though...

II PETER 1:12-15

**"People need
to be reminded
more often than they need
to be instructed."**

Samuel Johnson

vs 12 – remind

vs 13 – refresh

vs 15 - remember

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I will always remind you of these things,

II PETER

even though you know them **II PETER 1:12-15**

Not revealed by man, but by My Father in heaven

MATTHEW 16:17

Nor are you to be called 'teacher'

MATTHEW 23:5-12

you do not need anyone to teach you.

But as his anointing teaches you about all things

I JOHN 2:26-27

The holy Spirit will remind you of everything I have said to you

JOHN 14:26

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II PETER

I will always remind you of these things,
even though you know them
and are firmly established in the truth

II PETER 1:12-15

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Imam Alhajie Jallow sermon, Friday, October 13, 2023

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II PETER

WE WERE THERE !!

II PETER 1:16-21

Not a clever invention
We saw it – we heard it
We were eyewitnesses!

Handed down by eyewitnesses
LUKE 1:1-4

I saw it – I testified
JOHN 19:35

Faith is *substance*, faith is *evidence*
HEBREWS 11:1

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II PETER

A 'more certain' Word ???

II PETER 1:16-21

The Word of the LORD is:

True

Right

True Flawless

'more certain' to whom?

How?

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II PETER

Not the prophet's own interpretation, but...

II PETER 1:16-21

All Scripture is God-breathed...
(theopneustos – inspiration of God)

II TIMOTHY 3:16

He breathed on them –
receive the Holy Spirit
JOHN 20:22

Not originated by man, but...
spoken from God
Carried along by the Holy Spirit
hagios pneuma

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II PETER

every matter may be established
by the testimony of two or three witnesses

DEUTERONOMY 19:15

MATTHEW 18:16

Physical witness

II PETER 1:16-18

Scriptural witness

II PETER 1:19

Spirit witness

II PETER 1:20-21

JOHN 15:26-27; 16:13

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II PETER

Word made more certain

II PETER 1:19

Light in a dark place

Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light for my path.

PSALM 119:105

Day dawns, morning star rises

ISAIAH 14:12

REVELATION 22:16

I AM the bright Morning Star

Numbers 19:1-10

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron:

2 "This is a requirement of the law that the Lord has commanded: Tell the Israelites to bring you a red heifer without defect or blemish and that has never been under a yoke.

3 Give it to Eleazar the priest; it is to be taken *outside the camp* and slaughtered in his presence.

4 Then Eleazar the priest is to take some of its blood on his finger and sprinkle it seven times *toward the front of the Tent of Meeting*.

5 While he watches, the heifer is to be burned — its hide, flesh, blood and offal.

6 The priest is to take some cedar wood, hyssop and scarlet wool and throw them onto the burning heifer.

7 After that, the priest must wash his clothes and bathe himself with water. He may then come *into the camp*, but he will be ceremonially unclean till evening.

8 The man who burns it must also wash his clothes and bathe with water, and he too will be unclean till evening.

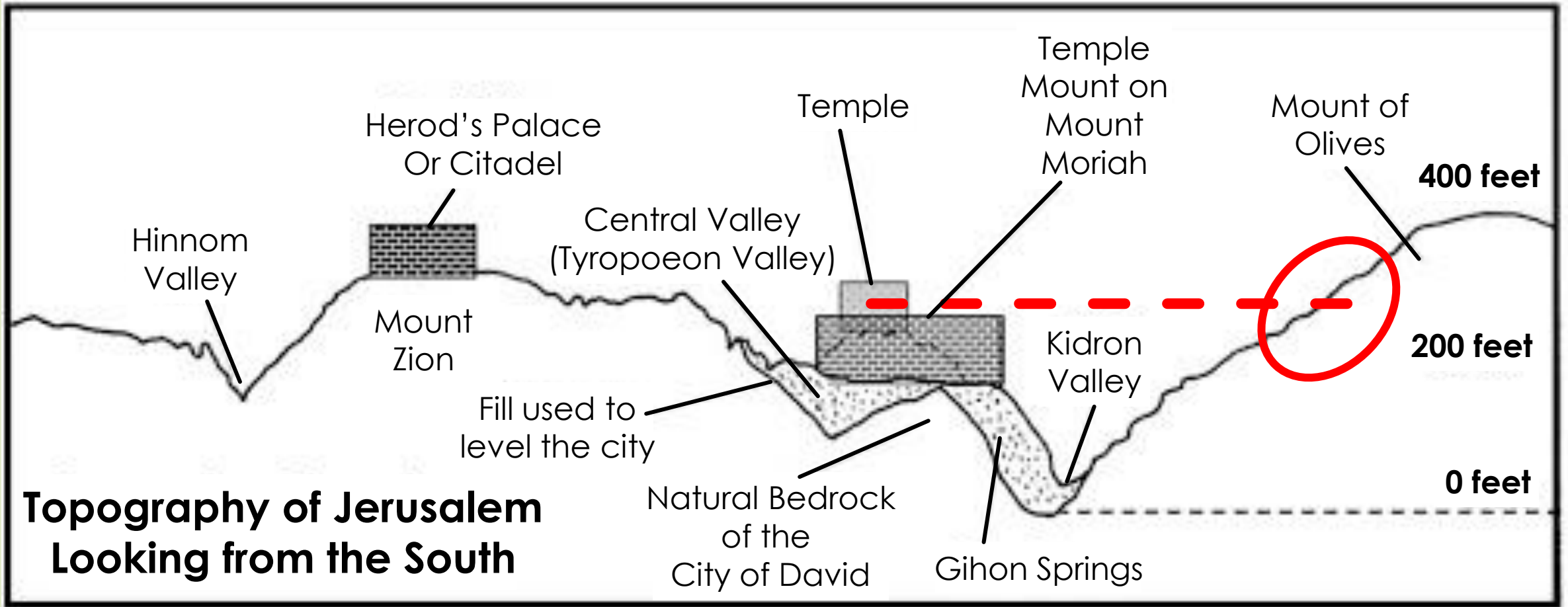
9 "A man who is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer and put them in a ceremonially clean place *outside the camp*. They shall be kept by the Israelite community for use in the water of cleansing; it is for purification from sin.

10 The man who gathers up the ashes of the heifer must also wash his clothes, and he too will be unclean till evening. This will be a lasting ordinance both for the Israelites and for the aliens living among them.

(September 2022) – Texas businessman Byron Stinson – the man instrumental in locating and helping get five red heifers from the United States to Israel told ALL ISRAEL NEWS that finding the sacrifice-ready cows was not the only objective. Boneh Israel, the organization Stinson is involved with, has also purchased land on the Mount of Olives that meets the requirements for a biblical sacrifice ***outside of a temple***.

The sacrifice of a red heifer could take place on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem as early as 13 months from now.
September 2022 + 13 months = October 2023

Upon the arrival of the five heifers from Texas, Hezbollah and Hamas issued warnings that this meant that the expected assault on Al-Aqsa would soon occur.



Numbers 19: 1-10

Lessons:
Heifers and Ashes
A Place for a 3rd Temple



North

East Gate

**Dome of
the Rock**

**Western
Wall**

**Al Aqsa
Mosque**

Hinnom Valley

Kidron Valley

Mount of Olives

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31°46'38.60" N 35°14'10.95" E

elev 2430 ft

Nov 26, 2007

Eye alt 5020 ft

Surah 2 – The Cow

65 You have surely known of those amongst you who transgressed the Sabbath. We said to them: 'Be apes, despised!'

66 We made it a punishment for the former times and for the latter, an exhortation to the cautious.

67 When Moses said to his nation: 'Allah commands you to slaughter a cow,' they replied: 'Are you taking us in mockery?'
'I seek protection with Allah lest I should be one of the ignorant' he said.

68 'Call on your Lord,' they said, 'to make known to us what she shall be.'
He said: "He says she is a cow neither old, nor virgin, middling between both." Therefore, do as you have been ordered.'

69 'Call on your Lord,' they said, 'to make known to us what her color shall be.' 'Your Lord says: "The cow is yellow, a rich yellow pleasing to the onlookers."'

70 'Call on your Lord,' they said, 'to make known to us which cow she shall be; to us cows look alike. If Allah wills, we shall be guided.'

71 He replied: 'He says: "She is a cow, neither worn out plowing the earth nor watering the field, one kept secure free from any blemish."' 'Now you have brought us the truth,' they answered. And they slaughtered her, after they had been reluctant to do so.

Abu Obeida,
military spokesman for the Izz ad-Din Al-Qassam Brigades,
military wing of Hamas

January 14, 2024

“We look back 100 days to remember the educated, the complicit, and the incapacitated among the world powers governed by the law of the jungle, reminding them of an aggression that reached its peak against our path (Al-Quds) and Al-Aqsa, with the start of its actual temporal and spatial division, and the ‘bringing of red cows’ as an application of a detestable religious myth designed for aggression against the feelings of an entire nation [Islam] in the heart of its Arab identity, and the path of its prophet (the Night Journey) and Ascension to heaven.”

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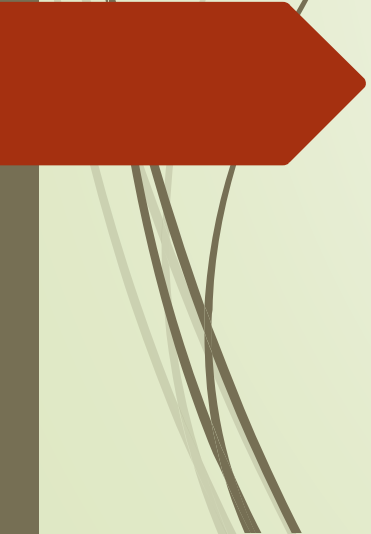
“We will not tire or falter in calling all the free people of the nation [Islam] to rise to support their Aqsa and the path of their prophet, which the criminal Zionists are practically advancing towards destroying and establishing their temple. This is what we have chosen with our blood in Gaza for 100 days and for which the epic of October 7th was about.”

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

There will be false teachers among you

II PETER 2



If anyone teaches false doctrines
and does not agree to the sound instruction
of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching,
he is conceited and understands nothing.

I TIMOTHY 6:3-5

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

II PETER 2 – FALSE TEACHERS

bold

ungodly

unrighteous

arrogant

Brute beasts

Creatures of instinct

blots

blemishes

Eyes full of adultery

Springs without water

Mists driven by a storm

Slaves of depravity

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II PETER

II PETER 2 – FALSE TEACHERS

Introduce destructive heresies

Make up stories

Greed to exploit you

Follow corrupt desires

Slander celestial beings

Despise authority

Blaspheme in matters not understood

Never stop sinning

Carouse in broad daylight

Revel in pleasures

Mouth empty boastful words

Seduce the unstable

Entice new believers

Promise freedom

12 UNRWA (United Nations Relief Works Agency) employees involved in Oct 7th attack on Israel
US halts funding (> \$150M) (2022 - \$340M)

Many other countries follow US example

Egypt – NO GAZANS!

Our Narrative – Operation AL-Aqsa Flood

Avoiding harm to civilians, especially children, women and elderly people is a religious and moral commitment by all the Al-Qassam Brigades' fighters. We reiterate that the Palestinian resistance was fully disciplined and committed to the Islamic values during the operation and that the Palestinian fighters only targeted the occupation soldiers and those who carried weapons against our people. In the meantime, the Palestinian fighters were keen to avoid harming civilians despite the fact that the resistance does not possess precise weapons. In addition, if there was any case of targeting civilians; it happened accidentally and in the course of the confrontation with the occupation forces.

Happening Now with Seth Gruber: The Battle Against Child Sacrifice (2 Corinthians 10:6)



H A P P E N I N G N O W



The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

II PETER 2 – FALSE TEACHERS

Bring swift destruction on themselves

Condemnation hanging over them

Destruction has not been sleeping

Held for day of judgment – while punishment continues

Like beasts, they will perish

Paid back with harm for harm

Blackest darkness reserved for them

Worse off at the end than at the beginning

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

There will be false *teachers* among you

II PETER 2

Has the role of “prophet” ended?

I CORINTHIANS 14:1-5

Prophecy – forth-telling vs fore-telling

Self-proclaimed vs Spirit-gifted prophet

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Bring the way of truth into disrepute

II PETER 2

They exchanged the truth of God for a lie
Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts.

ROMANS 1:24-32

truth has stumbled in the streets,
honesty cannot enter.

Truth is nowhere to be found,
and whoever shuns evil becomes a prey.

ISAIAH 59:14-15

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Many will follow their shameful ways
II PETER 2

Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

ROMANS 1:24-32

Are they ashamed of their loathsome conduct?

No, they have no shame at all;

they do not even know how to blush. JEREMIAH 6:15

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some


II PETER

Promise of freedom to new believers

II PETER 2

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free

GALATIANS 5:1



Now the Lord is the Spirit,
and where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is freedom.

II CORINTHIANS 3:17

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Promise of freedom, but they are slaves

II PETER 2

Be careful, however, that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak.

I CORINTHIANS 8:9

You, my brothers, were called to be free.

But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature;

GALATIANS 5:13

Live as free men,

but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil

I PETER 2:16

The ability to speak several languages is an asset,
but the ability to keep your mouth shut in any language is priceless.

Be decisive, make a decision.

The road is paved with flat squirrels who couldn't make a decision.

When I get a headache I take two aspirin and keep away from children -
just like the bottle says

Just once, I want the prompt for username and password to say, "Close enough."

“Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo.”

I hate it when I can't figure out how to operate the iPad
and my tech support guy is asleep.
He's 5 and it's past his bedtime.

Today's 3-year-olds can switch on laptops and open their favorite apps.
When I was 3, I ate mud.

Tip for a successful marriage:

Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she's mowing the lawn.

Why do I have to press one for English
when you're just going to transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Your people skills are just fine. It's your tolerance for idiots that needs work.

Even duct tape can't fix stupid – but it sure does muffle the sound

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

IF they escaped & are again entangled...

II PETER 2:19-21

Even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them

II PETER 2:1



It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened...
if they fall away, impossible to be brought back to repentance

HEBREWS 6:4-6

**“I refused to remain in the pulpit
and be an intellectual hypocrite.
I renounced my faith even though
it was the unpopular thing to do.”**

G. Vincent Runyon
Methodist Minister, 12 years

I love you guys, and I love all the friendships
and support I've built here.
And I think it's important to say
that I'm just not a Christian anymore...”

Paul Maxwell, author of “Desiring God”

I'm genuinely losing my faith...

Christians can be the most judgmental people on the planet – they can also be some of the most beautiful and loving people... but it's not for me. I am not in anymore.”

Hillsong songwriter Marty Sampson

**“I have undergone a massive shift
in regard to my faith in Jesus.**

**The popular phrase for this is ‘deconstruction,’
the biblical phrase is ‘falling away.’**

**By all the measurements I have for defining a Christian,
I am not a Christian.”**

Joshua Harris, author of “I Kissed Dating Goodbye,”
and former pastor of a mega-church in Maryland

“After 40 years of being a devout follower,
20 of those being an evangelical pastor,
I am walking away from the faith.
Even though this has been a massive bomb drop in my life,
it has been decades in the making.”

Dave Gass, the former pastor at Grace Family Fellowship,
pastor at Covenant Church and Cedar Community Church

Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure.

II PETER 1:10

Bible Knowledge Commentary – Hebrews 6:4-6

This passage has been interpreted in four ways:

- (1) that the danger of a Christian losing his salvation is described, a view rejected because of biblical assurances that salvation is a work of God which cannot be reversed;
- (2) that the warning is against mere profession of faith short of salvation, or tasting, but not really partaking of salvation
(The New Scofield Reference Bible, p. 1315);

(3) that hypothetically *if a* Christian could lose his salvation, there is no provision for repentance (*The Ryrie Study Bible*, p. 1843);

(4) that a warning is given of the danger of a Christian moving from a position of true faith and life to the extent of becoming disqualified for further service (1 Cor 9:27*) and for inheriting millennial glory.

(*I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.)

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Deny the sovereign Lord who bought them
Escaped the corruption of the world by knowing Christ
Again entangled & overcome
Worse off at end than at beginning
Better not to have known righteousness –
than to have known & turn backs on the sacred command

II PETER 2:1,19-20

Once been enlightened...

Tasted the heavenly gift

Shared in the Holy Spirit

Tasted the goodness of word of God

if they fall away, impossible to be brought back to repentance

HEBREWS 6:4-6

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Escaped the corruption of the world by *knowing* Christ
Again entangled & overcome
Turn backs on the sacred command

II PETER 2:1,19-20

Once been *enlightened...*

Tasted the heavenly gift

Shared in the Holy Spirit

Tasted the goodness of word of God

if they *fall away*, impossible to be brought back to repentance

HEBREWS 6:4-6

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II PETER

they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning.
better for them not to have known the way of righteousness

II PETER 2:1,19-20



If only for this life we have hope in Christ,
we are to be pitied more than all men.

I CORINTHIANS 15:19

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Make every effort to add to your faith
Don't be ineffective & unproductive in your knowledge of Christ
Be eager to make your calling & election sure
Pay attention to the word of the prophets
Watch for false teachers and don't be deceived

And the God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
after you have suffered a little while,
will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

I PETER 5:8-11



Hamas data facility directly underneath (60-70') UNRWA headquarters

The 5 Points of Calvinism

John Calvin – 1509-1564

Total Depravity

Sin controls every part of man. He is spiritually dead and blind, and unable to obey, believe, or repent. He continually sins, for his nature is completely evil.

The 5 Points of Arminianism

Jacobus Arminius – 1560-1609

Free Will

Sin does not control man's will. He is sick and near-sighted, but still able to obey, believe and repent. He does not continually sin, for his nature is not completely evil.

Calvinism

Unconditional Election

God chose the elect solely on the basis of His free grace, not anything in them. He has a special love for the elect. God left the rest to be damned for their sins.

Arminianism

Conditional Election

God chose the elect on the basis of their foreseen faith. He loves all men equally. God passed over no one, but gives everyone an equal chance to be saved.

Calvinism

Limited Atonement

Christ died especially for the elect, and paid a definite price for them that guaranteed their salvation.

Arminianism

Universal Atonement

Christ died equally for all men, and paid a provisional price that made salvation possible for all but guaranteed it for none.

Calvinism

Irresistible Grace

Saving grace is irresistible, for the Holy Spirit is invincible and intervenes in man's heart. He sovereignly gives the new birth, faith and repentance to the elect.

Arminianism

Resistible Grace

Saving grace is resistible, for God does not overrule man's free will. Man is born again after he believes, for faith and repentance are not gifts of God.

Calvinism

Perseverance of the Saints

God preserves all the elect and causes them to persevere in faith and obedience to the end.

None are continually back-slidden or finally lost.

Arminianism

Falling from Grace

Only a few Christians continue in faith and obedience to the end (Arminians are divided over whether one can actually lose his salvation).

"Israel has taken more steps to avoid harming civilians than any other military in history"

the "steps that Israel has taken to prevent casualties is historic in comparison to all these other wars."

He believes the Israeli military is taking unprecedented measures — above and beyond what most armies do — to avoid harming Palestinian civilians as it battles the Islamist terror group Hamas in Gaza.

He says that such lengths would set a new standard that other Western militaries would struggle to follow in the future.

John Spencer
chair of the Urban Warfare Studies
Modern War Institute at West Point

"As someone who teaches division level urban warfare, what has really blown my mind is that Israel issued maps to the civilians [in Gaza] telling them where they would be operating each day. ... I've never seen a military do that," said Spencer, who visited Israel last month and toured the combat zone in and around Gaza.

the Israeli military took measures that no other military, including the U.S., has previously taken during war, such as calling and texting individuals to warn them of a forthcoming air strike and sharing maps with plans for military maneuvers in certain areas.

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"We've never called everybody in a war environment. We've never actually sat down thousands of soldiers in call centers and had them call into the combat area trying to reach imams and mayors in an effort to get everybody get out of harm's way,"

"Doing this puts the attacking military at a disadvantage because it signals to the defending military what they're doing,"

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The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

II PETER 3

reminders

You must understand

recall

Some deliberately forget
You do not forget



Already know things

Looking forward to

Make every effort

Grow in the knowledge

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking
Recall prophets, Jesus, apostles

II PETER 3:1-2



For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance:

I CORINTHIANS 15:3

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

You *must* understand, in the last days, scoffers *will* come

II PETER 3:3-4

Where is this coming he promised ???
Everything is going along like always

And if I go ...,
I will come back

JOHN 14:3

This same Jesus,
who has been taken from you ...,
will come back

ACTS 1:11

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

But they deliberately forget...

II PETER 3:5-7

Kept for the day of judgment

Hold the unrighteous
for the day of judgment

II PETER 2:9

Not again by water...

GENESIS 9:8-17

Homosexual

**Homosexual
Gay**

**Homosexual
Gay
LGBT**

Homosexual

Gay

LGBT

LGBTQIA

Homosexual
Gay
LGBT
LGBTQIA
LGBTQQIA+

Homosexual

Gay

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The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Do not forget his one thing, dear friends

II PETER 3:8-9

For a thousand years in your sight
are like a day that has just gone by,
or like a watch in the night.

PSALM 90:4

God is not slow, He is patient
Wants NONE to perish, but
ALL to repent

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

God is not slow – He is patient
Lord's patience means salvation

II PETER 3:8-9, 15

the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure

GENESIS 15:16

For many years you were patient with them
in your great mercy you did not put an end to them

NEHEMIAH 9:29-31

God, bore with great patience the objects of his wrath

ROMANS 9:22-24

Ramadan 2024 (1445AH)
March 11 – April 9
Fasting sunup to sundown

Hamas issued a warning to Israel on the terror organization's Telegram channel on Saturday, threatening an 'explosion' of rage should Muslim access to al-Aqsa Mosque on Jerusalem's Temple Mount be restricted during Ramadan. "Let our enemy know that souls are boiling... [our] anger is imminent... and an explosion is coming in response to any restrictions on the entry of Muslims to Al-Aqsa Mosque during the month of Ramadan," Hamas wrote.

The Islamist terror organization added that they called upon Palestinians "to mobilize and march to the blessed Al-Aqsa Mosque, to protect it from the desecration of the usurping settlers, and to thwart all fascist plans targeting the Holy Mosque and the Holy City."

January 4th – attack on Kerman, Iran

Over 100 killed

Islamic State takes credit & issues this challenge

Lions of Islam: Chase your preys whether Jewish, Christian or their allies, on the streets and roads of America, Europe, and the world.

Break into their homes, kill them and steal their peace of mind by any means you can lay hands on. Understand that you are the arm of the Islamic State hitting in the kuffar's [infidels'] homelands, and are avenging the Muslims in Palestine, Iraq, Sham, and other Muslim countries.

Solidify your plans and diversify the attacks: Detonate explosives, burn them with grenades and fiery agents, shoot them with bullets, cut their throats with sharp knives, and run them over with vehicles.

A sincere person will not lack the means to draw blood from the hearts of the Jews, the Christians, and their allies, and thus ease the suffering in the hearts of the believers.

Come at them from every door,
kill them by the worst of means, turn their gatherings and celebrations
into bloody massacres, do not distinguish between a civilian kaffir,
and a military one, for they are all kuffar and the ruling against them is one. ...
Intentionally seek easy targets before hard ones, civilian targets
before military one, religious targets like synagogues and churches
before others, for this will satisfy the soul and will demonstrate the
characteristics of the battle, as our battle with them is a religious one,
and we kill them wherever we come upon them in response
to Allah Almighty's command.

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

The day of the Lord will come
Everything will be destroyed
And we look forward to it?

II PETER 3:10-13

Like a thief

I THESSALONIANS 5:2,4

REVELATION 3:3, 16:15

Destruction by fire
Heavens disappear

ISAIAH 34:4, 51:6

REVELATION 6:14

MATTHEW 24:29

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

New heaven, new earth, home of righteousness

II PETER 3:10-13

New heaven, new earth, new Jerusalem

ISAIAH 65:17-19, 66:22

REVELATION 21:1-6

Since you are looking forward to this...

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Where is this coming he promised?
They deliberately forget...

II PETER 3:4

The day of the Lord will come like a thief

II PETER 3:10; I THESSALONIANS 5:2

Behold, I come like a thief

REVELATION 16:15

The coming of our Lord Jesus Christ

Our being gathered to Him

The day of the Lord

II THESSALONIANS 2:1-4

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

What kind of people ought we to be?

II PETER 3:11,12,14

Live holy, godly lives

Look forward to day of God & speed its coming

Make every effort to be found:

Spotless, blameless, at peace with Him

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Many will be purified, made spotless and refined

DANIEL 12:1-10

Resurrection

Scroll sealed until end – 3-1/2 years

Power of holy people broken

Time of the end – purified, spotless, refined

Wicked will continue to be wicked

Make every effort to be found:

Spotless, blameless, at peace with Him

II PETER 3:14

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

he chose us in him before the creation of the world
to be holy and blameless in his sight.

EPHESIANS 1:3-4

you...may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ

PHILIPPIANS 1:9-11



I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame
until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ

I TIMOTHY 6:13-15

Palestinian Islamic Jihad is calling for the holy month of Ramadan to be a “month of terror” and seeks to escalate attacks in the West Bank and Gaza, a spokesperson for the group said. Abu Hamza, the spokesman for the Al-Quds Brigades of Palestinian Islamic Jihad, also said he wants Arab countries in the region and pro-Iran groups to continue to “unify” various arenas and **fronts** against Israel.

Hezbollah - Lebanon

Syria

Yemen

Iran

Iraq

West Bank

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Lord's patience means salvation

II PETER 3:15-16

Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?

ROMANS 2:4

letters contain some things that are hard to understand

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

ignorant and unstable people distort,
as they do the other Scriptures,
to their own destruction.

II PETER 3:15-16

bringing swift destruction on themselves **VS 2:1**

their destruction has not been sleeping **VS 2:3**

day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men **VS 3:7**

that day will bring about the destruction **VS 3:12**

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Be on your guard

Don't be carried away

Don't fall from your secure position

BUT – grow in your knowledge of Jesus! **II PETER 3:17-18**

1:5-8 – make every effort - add to your faith qualities in increasing measure

1:10 - make your calling and election sure?

2:1 – denying sovereign Lord who bought them?

2:20-21 – escaped corruption by knowing Christ, but again entangled & overcome?

3:14 – make every effort to be found...?

3:17 – don't fall from your secure position?

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!"

Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed.

The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter.

Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him:

"Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."

And he went outside and wept bitterly.

LUKE 22:60-62

"Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat.

But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail.

And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

LUKE 22:31-32

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly – for Some

II PETER

“Do you love Me? Do you love Me? Do you love Me?”

Peter was hurt

JOHN 21:15-23

What is that to you, you follow Me

Did Israel stumble so as to fall beyond recovery?

Not at all!

Did Peter?

Romans 11:11