

## John Newlin Ministries, Inc.

- realizing the power of a life in Christ -

### IS THE SUN STILL SHINING? THE MOON? THE STARS?

This is what the LORD says,

he who appoints the sun  
to shine by day,  
who decrees the moon and stars  
to shine by night,  
who stirs up the sea  
so that its waves roar —  
the LORD Almighty is his name:  
**“Only if these decrees vanish from my sight,”  
declares the LORD,  
“will Israel ever cease  
being a nation before me.”** (NIV-Jeremiah 31:35-36)

Is the sun still shining by day? Do the moon and the stars still shine by night? Do the waves of the sea still roar?

The only answer is yes.

Israel is a nation before God. In fact, let's put it another way:

**“...whoever touches you touches the apple of his eye.”** (NIV-Zechariah 2:8; “you” refers to Israel here and “his” refers to God)

Or still another:

**“For the Lord's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted inheritance. In a desert land he found him, in a barren and howling waste. He shielded him and cared for him; he guarded him as the apple of his eye,...”** (NIV-Deuteronomy 32:9-10a; “Jacob” here refers to Israel.)

So Israel is the apple of God's eye. And only if the sun ceases to shine and the moon and the stars likewise cease to shine at night will Israel cease being a nation before God. In fact, he has even more such bold declarations, but that is enough.

There is something very special about the Jews. In a lost and confused world God found and called Abraham about 4000 years ago. He blessed him and told him how the blessings would flow to his descendants. He told him how those that blessed him would themselves be blessed. Abraham is the ultimate patriarch of the Jewish people. Through him come son Isaac, grandson Jacob (whom God renames Israel) and the great-grandsons who become the twelve tribes of Israel. Abraham is in fact also the spiritual father of all believers.

In 1948, after an amazing 1,878 years of not existing as a recognized political and geographical entity, the nation of Israel was suddenly established again. It was a nation born in a day, as Isaiah 66:7 had prophesied. This had never happened before in the history of the world – a nation being conquered and disappearing and then suddenly coming back hundreds and even thousands of years later. It was miraculous. In fact, that the Jews existed as an identifiable people still following the traditions and the laws put down so long ago while living in many diverse and often hostile lands was a miracle. But they were still here, and they came, from the East, and the North, and the South, and the West. Israel has grown and prospered and has been the focus of great animosity from so many countries of false religions such as the Muslim nations. But why not? It is the apple of God's eye. Its very existence is anathema to those opposed to God.

This reappearance of the nation of Israel in 1948 was a landmark sign to believers familiar with the Bible. It fulfilled Bible prophecy and showed we were now living in the days of the return of the Lord.

If you are a true believer in Jesus Christ, seeking to live as he guided, obeying his commands, you must find the current times so trying. The overwhelming majority of people in the world, including in the modern West, are not in that category with you. The Lord is preparing to return. It is clear to anyone who knows Bible prophecy and whose heart is open to hear God.

One harsh characteristic of our current times is the level of deception that is so prevalent – in government, in business, in social life, even in the churches. Jesus warned about all this. In fact it was his first warning when his disciples asked about signs of the time of his return. “Watch that you are not deceived!” He warned. And later he warned of false prophets.

Many of you do not know this, but I point it out now so that those who are serious about God may go forward on their own in checking things out. There are several large mainstream denominations who long ago took the position that Israel is no longer important to God, that the church (yes, today's organized church in all its many forms and denominations) has replaced Israel in God's eyes. Nowhere is this justified in scripture, yet several major denominations believe this.

Imagine how this hurts God. Imagine how this goes against his wishes and plans. And imagine where this puts you if you sit in such places.

There is much to pray about for Americans and all people today. There is much to ask forgiveness for. And there is much to search out for those seeking the truth.

If you do not know much about Israel and God's relationship to Israel, request our CD *THE IMPORTANCE OF ISRAEL* by going to our web site, writing, or calling (It is available for a donation of \$7; if you cannot make a donation, we will send you one copy for free.). Watch our television program on that subject on the web site.

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## **IMPORTANT WATCHMAN WARNING: “THE COMING WARS” SENT OUT BY EMAIL**

Just this last week we sent to all on our ministry email list an important **WATCHMAN WARNING** discussing the wars prophesied in the Bible that are quickly approaching. If you are not on that email list, go to our web site and read this warning. And for goodness sake give us your email so we can quickly send you such items. This is one of the great benefits of having email! This is not a time to be living in the dark and to be out of communication with those in Jesus’ CHURCH.

## **SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY**

This is a particularly difficult time for ministries in terms of finances. I think perhaps people just forget that our bills continue through the summer as at other times. I think also that many people including Christians are really suffering in the current world economy. Always remember God’s many promises of blessings that come to those who give, especially and specifically to Jesus and the gospel, which is what you are doing when you give to our ministry.

Without funds coming in from you, we cannot go forward with most of the efforts of the ministry. It is a true statement that most things on this planet cost money, and ministry activities are no exception. So please consider whether you might send a contribution now or even increase your monthly contribution. One clear determining factor in how far we go and how much we can do is the funds available. In this world, the primary way God seems to provide those funds is through people like you.

Please help us continue to reach more and more with the truths of who Jesus is, his imminent return, and the wonders of his power in our lives right now, such as divine healing. We often focus on programs such as the web site, the television programs produced, the CDs produced, the newsletters distributed, and so on, but never forget the great impact by God through this ministry of the hearts reached and the lives brought to Christ or healed or redirected. As a quick illustration of the dynamic power of the Lord and what he is doing through this ministry, recently we have twice seen His wonderful healing of two very young girls – one who had been fighting a “terminal” cancerous brain tumor for whom the medical world had no more answers and another who was fighting for every breath and appeared at the end of a short life. When we see such as this happen, we cannot but shout out God’s love and his power and wonder why everyone all the time is not proclaiming his praises and seeking to reach more people for him.

## **HAVE YOU BEEN TO OUR WEB SITE LATELY?**

Be sure to go to the ministry web site for all sorts of information. These are among the things you can find there:

- Video – Watch many of our television programs on your own personal computer or laptop or IPAD or IPHONE – For example, you can watch many programs on subjects such as these:
  - Divine Healing

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- Second Chances
- Getting into Heaven
- And many more – and more are steadily being added
- Past and current newsletters
- ***Watchman Warnings***
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- Handouts for printing out yourself, such as healing scriptures, keys to receiving healing, proclamations to declare over yourself, and who you are in Jesus.
- Descriptions of all CDs available – you can request them right through the web site
- Make donations to the ministry using PAYPAL or all popular credit cards
- See announcements of upcoming events
- Search through an array of articles on various subjects
- The ministry brochure which you can print out.

Recommend the web site to your friends. People from around the world watch the videos on the web and request CDs through the web site. If you have someone in need of healing, what an instantaneous way to put them in the presence of a great deal of teaching as well as making available healing scriptures and keys to receiving and proclamations to declare over themselves that can all be downloaded by going to the menu column on the home page.

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Now is not the time to be ignorant of things important to God. May you find the truth and live in it all the days of your lives.

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