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MASSIVE DECEPTION EVEN IN BASIC FACTS OF THE NATION THAT CANNOT BE IGNORED

All of us, indeed all clear thinking people, know we are living in really atrocious and increasingly wild and disjointed times as we approach the end of the age and the return of the Lord. Watching all the prophecies fulfilled and the actual events in front of our faces makes this all too clear. The falling away from God, the perilous times and the increasing lawlessness, the massive deception put out by leaders in all fields, the sexually deviant policies advanced by government and far left leaders, the erratic and fumbling, irresponsible leadership of the national government, the failure to prosecute dangerous crimes, the policies by some that are more considerate of criminals than victims, the inability to hold rational discussions on issues, this terrible war in Ukraine where we all can watch absolute murder of children and women and men on a daily basis, and ...well, the list is almost endless.

And in all this mess, we who know the Lord Jesus Christ, who already have the Kingdom of God within us, must keep our eyes on him, stay focused on him, his words, his truths, receive all the guidance we can from him, be led by the Holy Spirit in all things. Daily we must be ready to share the gospel message, the truth about the return with anyone God leads us to, in any divine encounter. All that said, I thought now it is time to share some basic facts.

I long ago in research for the **WAKE UP AMERICA!** book looked into basic demographic statistics of the United States. Just what is the population breakdown in key areas. Based on what I have been seeing in actions and words from the leaders, it is obvious that a significant portion of Americans just don't know what and who they are living around.

Years ago I got the basic demographic data from the US Census Bureau. You can get that quickly on the Internet. Some of that I used in the book. Now an interesting poll has come out showing what Americans think in comparison to the cold hard facts of the Census Bureau. A pollster YouGov has produced the figures. So read all this and take it to heart. And then wonder why the great bulk of Americans have let their nation be torn asunder and have let policies and programs that are so harmful and so surely not representative of the bulk of the people be put into place.

On one area of great interest, one I wrote about in the book, the poll shows that Americans think that gay and lesbian people make up about 30% of the population when the truth is about 3%, or one in 33 people. It also shows that people think transgender people make up 21% of the population, but the truth is less than 1% (actually 0.6%, or one in every 167 people.)

How about the subject of religion? Americans think the country is 27% Muslim, but the truth is 1%. And they think the nation is 30% Jewish when the truth is 2%.

Americans in the poll think that Native Americans account for 27% of the population when the true number is 1%.

Regarding racial composition, the poll discovered that black Americans think black people make up over half the American population at 52% and that non-black people think black Americans make up 39% of the population. The truth is that black people make up 13% of the population, or one in every eight people.

Similarly, Americans think Latin Americans make up 39% of the population while the real number is 18%

All these are important statistics. Look at how the news issues are slanted every day! Really small minority groups are dominating much of the issues and the news of the day. Deception is rampant in our day, and it is rampant even in these very basic facts that most people should already know. It is incredible how wrong the numbers believed by many Americans are when seen in light of the true figures.

WARS AND RUMORS OF WARS: JUST WHERE DOES THE UKRAINE WAR FIT?

This terrible attack of Russia on Ukraine has caused many believers to think again about the prophecies of wars described in the Bible that happen in these last days. And to ask just where does this war fit in. The truth is that this Ukraine war itself is not in the Bible, but it quite clearly seems a precursor to at least one of the Biblical wars.

Chapters 38-39 of Ezekiel describe a dramatic attack by a coalition of powerful nations against Israel. Translating the Biblical nation titles to modern words, which admittedly is difficult sometimes, gives the attackers: possibly Russia as leader, Turkey, Iran, Libya, and the Sudan. This attack on Israel is the attack as you may remember from these chapters that God very obviously stops, destroying the invaders. He stops the attackers so visibly that it is readily apparent to people that Israel has been saved by God. That point is made several times by God in this section, such as verse 13 in chapter 39: "...the day I display my glory will be a memorable day for them, declares the Sovereign LORD."

It is interesting that right now Israel itself is involved in the Russia-Ukraine war as a peacemaker. One can only wonder if something Israel does in that role leads Russia to lead the attack on Israel described in these Ezekiel chapters.

In chapter 6 of **WAKE UP AMERICA!** you can read more about this war and the other end times wars that have not happened yet. Our July 17, 2012 **WATCHMAN WARNING!** covered all these, and you can read it on our blog or ask for a paper copy to be sent to you.

NO ONE IS QUALIFIED TO BE A TRUE KING, AN ABSOLUTE RULER

This title is the major point. It refers to all human beings who walk the earth. As background, consider: Jesus himself said that "There is none good but God." Human beings are not born good. Not since the fall, which occurred way back when Adam and Eve walked the earth and before anyone had been born of woman.

If human beings were born good why would they need a Savior? They wouldn't. But they are not born good. I know it is popular culture for many to talk about good people and to believe people are born good. Some Jews today believe people are born good. All this is just deception, a false belief that leads astray.

With all that as background, now comes the main point: No human being is qualified in a good sense to be an absolute ruler over others, which is what a true king is. But we are seeing a general movement in that direction in the nations of the earth today, regardless of what the leaders are called.

Do you remember when the Israelites wanted a king like the other nations? It is all described in 1 Samuel 8. Until then God had led the people through major prophets and judges such as Samuel. All this began with Moses. And then Joshua. And so on...people like Samson and Gideon and more. And then Samuel. There was no direct ruler, no king.

Finally the people wanted a king and they pressed Samuel for one. Samuel did not want to permit that, but then God pointed out to Samuel it is not you they have rejected but me. And he allowed the people to have a king.

So when this went forward and before the king was chosen, Samuel spoke and told the people what a king would do:

¹¹ He said, 'This is what the king who will reign over you will claim as his rights: he will take your sons and make them serve with his chariots and horses, and they will run in front of his chariots. ¹² Some he will assign to be commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and others to plough his ground and reap his harvest, and still others to make weapons of war and equipment for his chariots. ¹³ He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴ He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive groves and give them to his attendants. ¹⁵ He will take a tenth of your grain and of your vintage and give it to his officials and attendants. ¹⁶ Your male and female servants and the best of your cattle^[c] and donkeys he will take for his own use. ¹⁷ He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his slaves. ¹⁸ When that day comes, you will cry out for relief from the king you have chosen, but the LORD will not answer you in that day. ' – from 1 Samuel 8

Actions such as those described by Samuel in the language of that day are indeed what the absolute leaders of today do (and many other leaders with not as much power do as well). And the people cry out, in their homes and among family and friends. But for the most part they have not known what to do. Certainly all those who do not know Jesus Christ do not know what to do. Many of these sadly look to the terrible ruling structure – the government – to take care of them and supply their needs. And they of course are so sadly disappointed.

Human beings were never meant to rule other people in the sense of absolute rulers as we increasingly see in national governments today. Of course there was always a need for coordination and a means of settling disputes and such, as was set up under Moses when his father-in-law guided him to appoint group leaders to handle such things. But absolute ultimate authority as we see today in the national leaders in the world? Nope. Bad news. It is easy to see in obvious absolute rulers like the leaders of North Korea and Russia. And in the past couple years it has been increasingly easy to see more and more in leaders of supposedly democratic

countries, like Canada and Australia and New Zealand. And how about those top leaders in the US that in recent years have tried to order people to live certain ways, national leaders and quite a few governors and mayors.

The wonderful founding fathers of the United States knew all this, and they took great steps to set up a government that hopefully would protect against the type of ultimate ruler described here. Surely it has been a grand experiment. But that experiment is falling as fast as a great stone through the air. It had to be.

John Adams warned about this when he said a government like ours would only work for a very moral people. I personally would also add the requirement of having a truly informed and educated electorate. Look at the quality of the government the people of the US have today. But the people elected that government, you know.

DON'T FORGET THE GREAT TRUTH OF OUR TIME: Everything is secondary right now to the fact that Jesus is coming soon and that to be in the Kingdom, to go with him, you must be a true believer in him. You must be born anew. Jesus must be your Lord. (For more guidance on what it takes to be in the Kingdom, read our October 2021 newsletter, see Chapter 11 in our book **WAKE UP AMERICA!**, or watch our two television programs titled "Getting into Heaven" on YOUTUBE and our website.

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