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Dear Brethren,

What a Father we have! Though in heaven He sees and knows all. He loves His children and is more than willing to do everything He promised. We can trust Him implicitly.

Spiritual Principle/Current Event: A World Religion Is Emerging—as Prophesied

We are living in what the Bible calls "the last days." Times of great turmoil, fear, doubt, and trouble. Life will be most uncertain, hanging in the balance often. Much, if not all, of this unrest and terror will proceed from two behemoth forces, or powers, to surface in these times. Physically, the Bible speaks of a political power which will exercise great influence in the world—a world ruling government. That government, however, has a "spiritual side," too. A world religion inflicted upon mankind—a religion of oppression and hate, despite the surface trappings which are promulgated around the world. John identifies that religion as Babylon of the book of Revelation (Rev. 13:4–8, 11–15).

It is a religious system God allowed all the world outside of the limits of the nations of Israel to develop (Deut. 4:19, Jer. 10:2–5). The very premise of the Gentile (Babylonian) system is the worship of heavenly bodies which God designed for the revealing and constant reminder of His plan (Gen. 1:14–16, Psa. 19:1–4, Rom. 1:20). Tragically, the whole of mankind—all nations—has listened to the still subtle voice of Satan himself (Luke 4:5–8). This world, now, lies under total deception proceeding from man's archenemy, Satan (Rev. 20:3; 12:9). Of greater moment and concern is the fact Israel has succumbed, despite the fact that if they had remained faithful the whole world would have come to honor and follow them in that which God had given to them (Deut. 4:1–8). In such an event, the world religion would have been that which God delivered to our forbearers—Israel. An event yet to transpire, under different conditions and at a different time.

The creation of a new, modern, Babylon is certain. Prophecy cannot be altered. Sadly, however, it appears that many of the body of Christ in the last days will play a part,

perhaps a very significant part, in the creation of that new Babylon (II Thess. 2:1, 7, 8-12, Rev. 13:11-15, Dan. 11:30-35, Matt. 24:3-5). The very nature of that new system is occultic (Isa. 2:6). It is witchcraft; the actual worship of Lucifer (Satan).

Thankfully, that new system, though virulent and hateful for its term of existence, will be short-lived. It is destined to be brought to nothing by the Great Power of the universe—God Himself (Rev. 18).

Since few things just suddenly appear on the scene of human activity here on this earth, we ought to be able to see and comprehend some of the activity which most assuredly will result in the creation of that terrible and destructive religious system. What are some of the circumstances which are both telling and revealing? The righteous shall understand, perhaps only in part initially. But we are commanded to be watchful—watchful in a manner which does not allow these terrifying events to slip up on us in their devastating force and virulency.

Due to the depth and religious significance of the subject being covered, at least two, and perhaps three, issues of the *Announcement Letter* will be employed to address thoroughly the available material. Let us take a good look and consider those events and statements of world "movers and shakers" which strongly indicate the progressive shaping of those prophesied events. The called of God are promised to understand in due time, if they do not allow their own personalized interpretations to preempt that prophesied cognizance. What is presented must be comprehended and watched carefully until reality makes verity incontrovertible.

What is stated by many regarding the creation of that last day system? Only a limited number of statements are possible. David Meyer of the *Last Trumpet Newsletter* says: "We know that the ultimate objective of the Masterminds of the Great Conspiracy is not the gaining of wealth, nor is it the gaining of the control of physical and tangible property only. The ultimate objective has always been the entrapment of one-hundred percent of humanity into rebellion against God and servitude toward Satan."

And according to former UN Assistant Secretary Robert Mueller: "If Christ came back to earth, his first visit would be to the United Nations to see if his dream of human oneness and brotherhood had come true." Mr. Mueller suggests that "the body of Christ" is symbolized in the UN. That people ought to "display the UN flag in all houses of worship."

In a speech at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on July 4, 1994, Czech President Vaclav Havel told the gathered Americans: "The central political task of the final years of this century . . . is the creation of a new model of coexistence among the various cultures, peoples, races, and religious spheres within a single interconnected civilization." According

to Mr. Havel, this civilization must come to embrace the "Gaia Hypothesis," which holds that, "the organic and inorganic portions of the Earth's surface form a single system, a kind of mega-organism, a living planet—Gaia—named after an ancient goddess who is recognizable as an archetype of the Earth Mother in perhaps all religions Yes, the only real hope of people today is probably a renewal of our certainty that we are rooted in the Earth and at the same time, the cosmos We are not here alone nor for ourselves alone, but that we are an integral part of higher, mysterious entities against whom it is not advisable to blaspheme."

In October, 1994, Mikhail Gorbachev addressed the Environmental Media Association in Beverly Hills. He stated: "At a time when the religious foundations of our culture are wearing thin, new value systems are needed more than ever before There must be a kind of ten commandments for the environment, something that no one would be allowed to violate."

Of this planned new system, author William Norman Grigg (*Freedom on the Altar: The UN's Crusade Against God and Family*) says: ". . . environmentalism is a doctrine of pantheism, the idea that nature, or literally everything, is divine, and that true transcendence will occur when all humanity achieves unity with nature under the direction of an enlightened master."

It is axiomatic to state that understanding the nature and "character," even the description, of any concept or event must first be seen before observation is possible. What, then, is the nature of that mysterious and diabolical system which is destined to surface in these eventful last days?

That such a system is planned is made obvious, historically, currently, as well as Biblically. There remains no doubt for those who can read. But, as a mystery, can it be observed and understood? Can we know the nature of it?

In his book, *New Genesis: Shaping a Global Spirituality*, Robert Mueller, former Secretary of the UN's Economic and Social Council, says we must all become "members of a newly born global family endowed with common institutions, a common brain, heart, nervous system and soul geared to our common survival As on the eve of the French Revolution . . . we must outgrow the increasingly erroneous notion of good and bad as seen by a particular group . . . and define new concepts of what is good or bad for the entire human family. This is absolutely essential."

In an address delivered by Gerald Barney, the executive director of the Millennium Institute, he says that the only alternative to the destruction of the world's religions—which, he implies, are the cause of virtually all social, economic, and ecological problems and much of the violence in the world—is the "reinterpretation and even rejection of ancient traditions

and assumptions" and the creation of a "sustainable faith tradition on earth" which would assure a "sustainable, just, and humane future for earth and her people." Furthermore he condemns "exceptionalism" and states that Christianity "as it is preached now" is not a sustainable faith.

Barbara Marx Hubbard, executive director of the World Federalist Society, states in her book *The Apple of Eden's Eye*: "People who do not accept the New Age teaching are an evolutionary drag on humanity and must capitulate or be killed."

To get an idea of the perverse reasoning of these worshippers of creation the following is quoted from environmentalist Michael S. Coffman: "If nature is god, nature itself must be sacred If everything is equal because it is equally god, then man has no more value than a tree, rock, water, mouse, mosquito, rattlesnake, or bubonic plague virus." Norman Meyer, an advisor to the UN, states in his book *Gaia Atlas of Future Worlds*: "The 30 million species on Earth, with all their diverse communities, make up a system where each can make its voice heard—but only to the extent that one does not shout down the others." And finally, world theologian Matthew Fox goes even further: "It has been suggested that we call a United Species Conference and put this one question to the ten million representatives (one for each species): Should the human species be allowed to continue on this planet The vote would most likely be . . . that we humans . . . be banished to some distant place in the galaxy . . ."

Next time we will address other issues such as manifestations of that religion, the plan itself, preparations being made, the source of their inspiration, and how it all is to be accomplished.

Prayer Requests

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General Requests

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Blessings of Brethren

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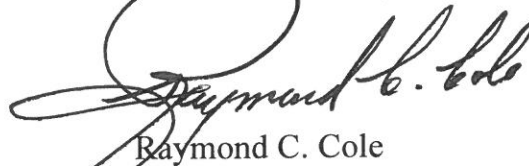
Trip Schedule

July 22	C. California	B.G.C.
August 12, 19	Hawaii	R.C.C.

Tape Schedule

Tape Series	Mailed	For	Title/tape #
WSE-BC 147-8	05/03	07/01	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #8 (Joseph)
WSP-RC 18-3	05/03	07/08	Do You Know God's Will? #3
WSE-BC 147-9	05/17	07/15	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #9 (Moses #1)
WSE-RC 59-22	05/17	07/22	Despair or Glory, Which? #22
WSE-BC 147-10	05/31	07/29	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #10 (Moses #2)
WSP-RC 18-4	05/31	08/05	Do You Know God's Will? #4
WSE-BC 148	06/14	08/12	Doctrinal Leaven
WSP-RC 18-5	06/14	08/19	How Does Your Conscience Guide You? #1
WSE-BC 147-11	07/03	08/26	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #11 (Moses #3)

In Christ's service,



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