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Perhaps there are few thinking people today who cannot see in the present trend of events the world plunging headlong into some cataclysmic climax, and one does not need to be a prophet of doom to entertain such a thought! The greatest minds of our day are deeply concerned, and many are expressing fear that such a cataclysm could well desolate this earth! We are living in an atomic age, where men are experimenting with unknown forces of devastation, and there exists an understandable state of anxiety that such forces of destruction might well turn this earth into a seething inferno!

The noted evangelist Billy Graham, in a national television appearance, pointed out that leading scientists, theologians, educators, and statesmen agree that we could well be headed for some kind of a catastrophic climax that could bring to a complete end our way of life! Whatever we choose to call it, thinking people today are living in expectation of some kind of an END, and a pall of fear and doubt overspreads the world like ominous clouds before the storm! The very survival of mankind appears to be at stake, and as the fear of respon-

sible leaders of nations intensifies, the never-ending race for greater instruments of destruction increases, and men's hearts are literally failing them for fear of the things that are coming upon the earth!

A WARNING

The prophets of God also agree with these thoughts of an END, but only up to a point! For while they too show that the world is headed for an almost indescribable disaster — 'such as never was since there was a nation' (Daniel 12:1) — they never predict the end of the earth, neither the complete end of mankind upon the earth! But a new appraisal of this whole subject reveals some startling new facts, and while it is not the purpose here to indulge in the sensational, neither to cause undue fright, it is hoped that no reader will finish this Book without very grave concern—at least to the extent of prompting immediate action!

For while the prophets warn of a coming END of things as they are known today, they definitely show that there is a way of DELIVERANCE for mankind, but it now appears that it is a way that may require individual ACTION! For only now are we discovering that it may be a way as LITERAL and definite as was the actual preparing of the ark of those who were DE-LIVERED from the Flood in the END of Noah's day! While this has not been known up to now, perhaps the time has come to give this warning, and if this is true, it cerainly should be given wide publicity, and we fervently hope that this WARNING from the prophets has not been discovered TOO LATE for TOO MANY!

ARMAGEDDON WHIRLWIND

The prophets have a great deal to say about this

coming END, and while we have become accustomed to calling it the BATTLE of Armageddon, the prophets show that it is more than a battle. For while it is indicated that the nations will be gathered together 'against Jerusalem to battle' (Zechariah 14:2) at its inception, it is this very thing called Armageddon that will 'rebuke the nations' and bring to an end this and every other battle between men! For the prophets inform us that Armageddon is the mighty forces of the elements unleashed in a devastating WHIRLWIND such as men have never seen, and this tremendous upheavel of nature which will rebuke the nations might well be called the STORM of Armageddon:

"But in the last days it shall come to pass that the mountain [Kingdom—Government] of the house of the Lord shall be established . . . And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Micah 4: 1, 3.

For nearly six thousand years men of good will have tried desperately to bring about just such conditions as the prophet describes above, but even with all of the combined efforts of such world organizations as The Hague Court, The League of Nations, and The United Nations, they have failed miserably to do so! Then how will the Lord do it? we might ask! Nations don't change easily, and if there is impending the judgment of an Armageddon Storm of such catastrophic proportions that its rebuke will cause the nations to forever renounce war, surely one is not a prophet of doom because he tries to learn as much as humanly possible about it, and we can do this only by going to the words of the prophets:

"A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the Lord hath a controversy with the nations; he will plead with all flesh; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great WHIRLWIND shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth; they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground." Jeremiah 25: 31, 32, 33.

THE FLOOD IN REVERSE

, A terrible price to pay, but perhaps no one knows better than the delegates to the World Peace Organizations that it will require just such a price to bring peace on earth and good will to men! But while this Armageddon upheavel of nature will rebuke the nations and bring universal peace to the world, it will do more than that, the prophets assure us! And that it is a LITERAL WHIRLWIND, the prophets leave no doubt; for it will start in motion tremendous 'waterspouts' (Pslams 42:7) that will syphon up and put in orbit the mighty waters of the salt seas, and uncover some 140,000,000 square miles of fertile ocean bottoms which will house, clothe and feed the untold millions who soon afterward will be brought back to this earth from the dead (see our book 'Heaven And Hell')!

An astonishing statement, and it may be difficult for many to believe, but the prophets of God leave absolutely no doubt of it. For the Flood of Noah's day was not ordinary rain, but it was the falling from orbit of a great watery canopy from around the earth, destroying the world that then was, and leaving about 71% of our good earth covered with water (see book 'The Diet Of Oxygen')! The Armageddon WHIRL-

WIND will reverse the Flood and re-orbit the mighty waters of the sea (Revelation 21:1), the prophets tell us, and 'as the days of Noe (Noah) were (when the waters fell from orbit from around the earth), so shall also the coming of the Son of man be (when the same waters of the Flood will re-orbit around the earth)' (Matthew 24:37)!

STORM WARNING

Not only is the coming Armageddon Storm a reversal of the Storm of Noah's day, but one is a picture of the other, and as the one left 'the slain of the Lord upon the earth', so will the other, the prophets warn! And as only Believers who were WARNED in advance and who KNEW of the coming Storm were delivered in Noah's day, so shall it be in the Armageddon Storm! But the one fact that has been overlooked up to now, we believe, is that only those Believers who prepared in advance a LITERAL shelter (the ark) from the Storm were delivered in Noah's day, and if the prophets warn that it is to be the same in the coming Armageddon Storm of the last days, certainly we want to both RE-CEIVE and GIVE OUT this warning!

We have received many requests for advice upon this very point, and many express grave concern and want to know exactly what to do. Some have asked if they should leave the congested cities and settle in urban areas. Others want to know if they should move back from the seashores and seek refuge high up in the mountains, while others have wondered if the deep valleys might afford better protection from the oncoming WHIRLWIND of Armageddon! While no man is qualified to give definite answers to such questions, we can point out the words of the prophets, and it seems to us that they give us the advice we are seeking: "Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you, seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment: seek righteousness, seek meekness: it MAY BE ye shall be HID [conditionally—up to you to HIDE YOURSELF] in the day of the Lord's anger." Zephaniah 2: 2, 3.

Thousands, perhaps millions, have taken comfort from these words, and because they have honestly tried to seek righteousness and meekness they feel safe and secure! But is this the thought of the prophet? In the first place it is a prophecy of the Armageddon WHIRL-WIND-the day of the Lord's fierce anger-and even after seeking righteousness and meekness, there is still a condition attached! 'It MAY BE ye shall be hid' has the same thought as 'It may be ye shall HIDE YOUR-SELF in that day', and seeking righteousness and meekness beforehand could be the condition that leads one to 'HIDE HIMSELF' in that day! This was certainly the condition of DELIVERANCE in the Storm of Noah's day, and now we find that many of the prophets warn to 'HIDE THYSELF' in the coming Armageddon Storm of the last days:

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"Trust in the Lord forever: for in the Lord YaH-WeH is everlasting strength: for he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it down, even to the ground; he bringeth it even to the dust . . . Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers [shelters?], and shut thy doors about thee: HIDE THYSELF, as it were for a little moment, until the indignation [of the WHIRL-WIND] be overpast." Isaiah 26: 4, 5, 20.

LITERAL SHELTERS OF PROTECTION?

If we object to taking literally these warnings of

the prophets on the coming Armageddon Storm, we have only to look at the picture—the Storm of Noah's day! For those of Noah's day who did not take the words of the prophets literally, and who did not prepare literal shelters suitable for the Storm of that day (boats, arks), did not survive the Storm, but they were 'the slain of the Lord'! And, as the Storm of the days of Noah was, so shall it be in the coming Storm of the last days (Luke 17:26), the prophets warn! And that this coming Armageddon Storm of the latter days is a literal WHIRLWIND—as literal as was the Storm of Noah's days—surely no one who accepts the words of the prophets could doubt:

"Behold, the WHIRLWIND of the Lord goeth forth with fury, a CUTTING [see margin] WHIRL-WIND: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked. The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he have performed the intents of his heart: in the LATTER DAYS ye shall consider [see] it." Jeremiah 30: 23, 24.

The primary purpose of the mighty WHIRL-WIND, it seems, is to remove the salt waters of the sea—which will uncover the fertile ocean bottoms, aircondition the whole world, and make the earth a fit place for men to live forever—and only a LITERAL WHIRLWIND, with LITERAL waterspouts could accomplish such a tremendous feat. But at the same time of this 'rushing of many waters', the unleased elements of the mighty WHIRLWIND will be used to rebuke the nations, the prophets tell us, and bring universal peace to the world:

"The nations shall rush like [with] the rushing of many waters: but God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased [blown] as the chaff of the mountain before the WIND, and like the

rolling thing [a thistle down, margin] before the WHIRLWIND." Isaiah 17: 13.

It was because those of Noah's day refused to take the warning of the coming Storm LITERALLY that they continued as usual, practicing their religion, 'eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark'. They 'knew not' that it was a LITERAL Storm, and of course by doing nothing about it, 'the Storm came and took them all away' (Matthew 24: 38, 39). Perhaps many told Noah that righteousness, meekness, religion and faith were sufficient to save, and no doubt Noah agreed that this was true under ordinary circumstances. But Noah was warned that a LITERAL Storm was coming, one with a Flood of water that would sweep this earth, and he was practical and 'human' enough to know that no amount of righteousness, meekness, religion or faith could save him from such a Storm unless he prepared a LITERAL boat; so 'by faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark (boat-shelter) to the saving of his house' (Hebrews 11:7)!

By the same token, no doubt many who read these lines will scoff at the warning of a coming LITERAL Storm, and they will continue as usual, believing that righteousness, meekness, religion or faith will save them in the coming Armageddon Storm! But if the prophets warn that another devastating Storm will sweep clean the surface of this earth in a LITERAL WHIRL-WIND such as men have never seen, can we take the risk of trusting in righteousness, meekness, religion or faith alone, when it MAY BE that the proper precaution in advance might save our house (family) in that day? Moreover, with the benefit of Noah's experiences, and

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the warning that it will be the same in this day, can we afford to be more naive and less practical and human than was Noah?

Of course, while the DAYS of Noah are like the DAYS of Armageddon, the LITERAL Storms differ in that one is actually the reverse of the other! For the Storm of Noah's day was obviously a WHIRLWIND with 'down-blasts' which 'de-orbited' the great watery canopy and forced it down to earth as the mighty Flood, while the coming Storm of Armageddon will obviously be a WHIRLWIND with 'up-blasts' or 'waterspouts' which will syphon up the same waters of the Flood and re-orbit them around this globe!

ARE WE TO GO UNDERGROUND?

And since the Storm of Noah's day was a WHIRL-WIND with waterspouts blowing DOWN, causing the mighty Flood, of course only boats or arks provided protection in that Storm. But we must be practical enough to know that no boat or ark could protect us in the coming Storm. For the Armageddon WHIRL-WIND, with waterspouts whirling UPWARD, will sweep dry the seas and empty the surface of the land, the prophets warn, and it is obvious that neither boats, arks, nor buildings, no matter how strong, could protect from that Storm. The only shelters of protection would be below the surface of the earth—underground-shelters —and although it sounds strange now, the greatest prophet of them all, through his Revelation to John, appears to tell us that this is true:

"And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great WHIRLWIND [mistranslated 'earthquake'], and . . . the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief

captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains [underground shelters?]; and said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us [cover us], and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" Revelation 6: 12-17.

NATURAL AND MAN-MADE SHELTERS

It now seems certain that the 'dens and the rocks of the mountains' are the natural and man-made underground shelters where men will hide themselves during the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND. Perhaps the 'dens' refer to the many natural underground caves and caverns which could be stocked with food and water, and perhaps the 'rocks of the mountains' refer to great concrete public shelters, private concrete basements and underground cellars, as well as concrete railroad tunnels, subways and underground highways, as all of these are made of rock or cement and sand which come from 'the rocks of the mountains'! For note that Weymouth's Version renders it 'caves (natural underground-shelters) and rocks of the mountains' (manmade rock-concrete underground-shelters)!

ALL BELIEVERS

While the English translators leave the thought that all of these people who call for the mountains (concrete covering) to fall on them are seeking death, this simply does not make sense! Sane people do not seek death in this manner, and it is obvious that they rush to the shelters for covering, not to commit suicide. Their very concern is, 'who is able to stand', and it is self evident that these kings of the earth,great men, rich men, bondmen and free men are all Believers who have been WARNED and who have prepared in advance! They are people who KNOW that the LITERAL WHIRL-WIND is about to break in all of its fury; 'for the great day of his wrath is come', they say, and it is obvious that they have been practical enough to locate either a natural underground-shelter or a man-made one, and that they have prepared it in advance for the protection of themselves and their loved ones.

As a matter of fact, more and more underground subways and underground roadways are being constructed in all congested areas, and the trend of thought today is to go underground even with whole cities! Many nations today are already building underground shelters, and almost every nation in the world is advising all citizens to re-inforce their concrete basements or build concrete cellars and stock them with food and water! In fact, the great radio and television chains have standard public-service announcements urging all citizens to provide private underground shelters under their homes and stock them with staple food and water, and these announcements can be heard throughout the day!

WITH THE MOLES AND THE BATS

Of course the latter is due to the atomic bomb scare, but such underground shelters would be the only places of safety when the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND 'shakes terribly the earth' as it takes away the mighty waters of the sea! This might well be the reason for all of this underground movement today—although completely unknown to those who are building underground—and this could be the answer we are seeking! For the prophet Isaiah, in his famous 'last days' Chapter (Chapter 2), may well be secretly giving us the 'keys' to our underground shelters in his long-hidden prophecy of the MOLES and the BATS:

"And they shall go into the holes of the rocks [man-made concrete basements, cellars, tunnels, subways, roadways, bomb shelters?], and into the caves of the earth [natural caves and cavern shelters?], for fear of the Lord and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver and his idols of gold, which they made for him to worship [moneybut which Believers refuse to worship], to the MOLES to prepare man-made basements, cellars, tunnels, subways, roadways and bomb shelters UNDER-GROUND where MOLES burrow?] and to the BATS to prepare the natural caves and cavern-shelters where BATS inhabit?]; to go into the clifts of the rocks [the man-made concrete-shelter openings?], and into the top of the ragged rocks [the natural cave-and cavern-shelters?], for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth." Isaiah 2: 19, 20, 21.

When the time comes for the words of the prophets to deliver a warning, it is quite amazing how the 'keys' turn up to unlock them! If these MOLES and BATS are the 'keys' to this warning, then fortunate indeed are those who can prepare strong basement shelters, or who live near man-made tunnels, subways, roadways or any kind of underground shelters—where MOLES burrow —or who live near natural caves or cavern-shelters where BATS inhabit! For there is no need for such fortunate people to move anywhere, the prophet would seem to advise, but rather they need only to investigate the nearest underground shelter and be ready to go into it with food and water when the warning is given that the mighty WHIRLWIND of the Lord is about to 'shake terribly the earth'!

CIVIL DEFENSE

And equally important is to WARN others to spend their silver and gold to go into the holes of the rocks and the caves of the earth, and to WARN these to WARN others, and so on! For all together local and national governments can be encouraged to 'cast their silver and gold to the MOLES'- build underground tunnels, subways, roadways, and even bomb shelters where the MOLES burrow! This is called Civil Defense today, and it matters not if they use the atomic bomb scare as an excuse; the important thing is to get the underground shelters for millions in time! For it is not likely that many rulers will accept this WARNING from the prophets, and we can almost hear the high and the mighty scoffing as they read these lines! But no matter; for Isaiah has something to say about the proud and the haughty, and he warns the humble to ENTER INTO the underground shelters in that day-and to enter into them they must first be prepared in advance:

"Enter into the rocks, and hide thee in the dust [underground shelters?], for the fear of the Lord, and for the glory of his majesty. The LOFTY looks of man shall be humbled, and the HAUGHTINESS of man shall be bowed down, and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day." Isaiah 2: 10, 11.

"Get into the caves of the rocks, hide in the holes of the ground [underground shelters?], away from the terror of the Eternal, from his dread majesty. For the Lord of hosts has a day of doom on all that is PROUD and HAUGHTY, on all that is LOFTY and SOARING." Isaiah 2: 10-12, James Moffat Version.

SO MIGHTY A WHIRLWIND

Perhaps those who take these warnings of the prophets lightly are those who have never experienced the utter devastation of tornados or whirlwinds! But no matter; for while tornados of the past have wrought destruction in the earth, sweeping clean every standing thing in their path, it is obvious that all of the tornados, twisters, hurricanes and whirlwinds of the past centuries together would be as nothing compared to the coming WHIRLWIND of Armageddon! Words fail in describing its devastation, but Jeremiah says it will strew the dead 'from one end of the earth even to the other' (Jeremiah 25: 32, 33), and Isaiah goes on to say that it will sweep low the cedars, the mighty oaks, the high towers or skyscrapers, fenced walls or towns and cities, our pleasant homes, ships of the sea, and even mountains and hills that are too high or 'lifted up':

"For the day of the Lord of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low; and upon all the cedars of Lebanon that are high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan, and upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up. And upon every high tower [skyscrapers], and upon every fenced wall [cities and towns], and upon the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant pictures [our pleasant homes with shaded lawns?]. And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of man shall be made low; and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day. And the idols [shrines, cathedrals, churches] shall be utterly abolished. And they [Believers] shall go into the holes of the rocks [concrete, man-made shelters?], and into the caves of the earth [natural shelters?]. for fear of the Lord and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth." Isaiah 2: 12 to 20.

WHIRLWIND-NOT AN EARTHQUAKE

Only such a WHIRLWIND could start whirling 'waterspouts' powerful enough to syphon up and put

in orbit the mighty waters of the sea, and while Revelation (16:18) describes it as 'such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty and so great', it is obvious that even this vivid description does not give us a conception of its terribleness, simply because there has never been anything upon this earth to compare with it! And while the above description is given in the translations as that of an earthquake, it is now obvious that this is a mistranslation! For the word rendered 'earthquake' in the English translations is from the Greek prime verb 'seio', and Strong's Greek Dictionary (page 64) defines it as 'A COMMOTION, i.e. OF THE AIR, A GALE'!

This same Greek word is rendered 'TEMPEST' at Matthew 8:24, the TEMPEST that threatened to sink the ship on which Jesus slept, and no one believes this was an earthquake simply because the evidence is overwhelming that it was a tornado, hurricane or whirlwind, and not an earthquake. For when the disciples called Jesus from his sleep, he did not rebuke an 'earthquake', but Matthew says 'he arose and rebuked the WINDS and the sea, and there was great CALM' (Verse 26)! Nothing was said about an earthquake, because there was no earthquake! This TEMP-EST ('seio') was a tornado, hurricane or whirlwind, and as conclusive proof, note that the men marvelled 'that even the WINDS and the sea obey him' (Verse 27).

So if the TEMPEST (from the Greek 'seio') of Matthew's record was a tornado or whirlwind, we may be sure the TEMPEST (from the Greek 'seio', mistranslated 'earthquake') of Revelation is not an earthquake, but that this description is that of the 'SO GREAT A WHIRLWIND' of Armageddon! Not only does the prophet tell us so, but mark carefully that it is 'poured out into the AIR', and that it is accompanied by 'thunders, lightnings, and a great hail', all of which go with tornados or whirlwinds, never with earthquakes!

"Behold, I come as a thief [suddenly]. Blessed is he that WATCHETH and KEEPETH his garments [coverings-shelters?], lest he walk naked [unprotected?], and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying IT IS DONE. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great WHIRLWIND [mistranslated 'earthquake'], such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty a WHIRLWIND, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell [in the mighty WHIRLWIND]: and great Babylon [symbol of 'this world'] came into remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath." Revelation 16: 15-19.

But while there is no way of avoiding the coming WHIRLWIND—as it must 'rebuke the sea and maketh it dry'—the Lord will still have his way in the WHIRL-WIND, and he will use it to rebuke the nations and bring universal peace to the world! And it will be such a rebuke to the nations, the prophets warn, that war, strife and 'affliction shall not rise up the second time':

"The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit: the Lord hath his way in the WHIRLWIND, and in the Storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet. He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers [waters] ... The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein. Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire [lightning?], and the rocks are thrown down before him. The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble: and he knoweth them that trust in him . . . What do ye imagine against the Lord? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time." Nahum 1: 1 to 10.

GATHER TOGETHER UNDERGROUND

If after four thousand years sensible and brave men still shudder at the destruction of the Storm of Noah's day, certainly the utter devastation of the coming WHIRLWIND of Armageddon will never be forgotten, and war and affliction shall never rise up again among the untold millions when they are resurrected from the dead! For the prophets strongly indicate that every vestige of this civilization will have to be swept from the face of the earth, with only a few men left! But of course even a 'few' of earth's billions could be a Great Multitude, and mark carefully that these left 'shall be gathered together as prisoners in the pit'—dungeon, says margin—or underground shelters, and 'after many days shall they be visited':

"Behold, the Lord maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and perverteth the face thereof [see margin], and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof. And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest: as with the servant, so with the master; as with the maid, so with the mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him. The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the Lord hath spoken the word . . . The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are burned, AND FEW MEN LEFT . . . And they shall be gathered together as prisoners are gathered in the pit [dungeonmargin-underground shelters?], and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be visited." Isaiah 24: 1 to 23.

These words are not the mere ravings of demented religious fanatics, but they are words of God's chosen prophets! And while their real significance has not been understood, it now seems certain that they WARN of the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND which will wipe out this whole civilization of buying, selling, lending, usury, slave traffic, politics and religion as we know it, and that even the few people who are left are those who go underground in that day of utter devastation. Think of such a catastrophe facing the world with untold millions eating, drinking, marrying, giving in marriage, and wholly and completely unaware of it!

A DAY TO DREAD-NOT DESIRE

While a few today speak and write of a coming 'great tribulation', they usually talk of it in a matter-offact way as if it is a day to be desired. Of course they have been led to believe that Armageddon is a mere time of trouble in a battle between men, and they are usually those who believe that they are 'saved' and that somehow they will receive divine protection. Some have been led to believe that because they are of a church they will be 'caught up in the air', and because of their own feeling of security they talk of this dark and terrible day of the Lord as a day to be desired. But the prophets of Israel warn that there is little assurance of complete safety in such a Storm, and a WHIRLWIND that will strew the dead from one end of the earth to the other, with FEW MEN LEFT, is not a day to be desired, even for those who survive it:

"Woe unto you that desire the day of the Lord! to what end is it for you? the day of the Lord is darkness, and not light. As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him. Shall not the day of the Lord be darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it?" Amos 5: 18, 19, 20.

While it is absolutely necessary that the great WHIRLWIND remove the waters of the sea and make room for the millions who soon afterward will be resurrected from the dead, it is still to be used to rebuke the nations of earth, the prophets tell us, and we doubt if men will be permitted to leave this earth and rocket to other planets until after this dark day of retribution! But even so, this would afford little safety; for it is poured out 'into the air', the Revelator tells us, and perhaps the most dangerous places would be outer space or caught up in the air! For as the Revelator continues his prophecy of the Armageddon WHIRLWIND, it is obvious that only underground concrete-rock shelters will be safe in that day:

"And every island fled away [perhaps because when the sea is removed they will no longer be islands], and the mountains were not found [perhaps only the low and solid-rock ones will survive such a WHIRLWIND]. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent [58 pounds]: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great." Revelation 16: 20, 21.

It is self evident that the destructive lightnings, thunders, waters and great hail stones of the Storm of Noah's day were natural results of the down-blast of the waterspouts de-orbiting the great watery canopy which today forms our seas. It is also obvious that there was ONLY one way of DELIVERANCE from those destructive elements, and that way was to prepare suitable EARTH-shelters—in this case boats or arks made from trees of the earth. And the very fact that the Almighty himself WARNED men in advance to do so, and that he WARNED them far enough ahead to give ample time to prepare and stock the shelters, is sufficient proof that this was the one and ONLY way of deliverance!

MOVED WITH FEAR

While it is written that Noah was a just man (Genesis 6:9), and no doubt it was because of his justness that he had the faith to accept the WARNING, it is still an obvious fact that Noah and his house would have surely drowned in the Flood if they had not prepared the ark-shelter. At best, Noah's justness was only part of the means to an end, not the end itself! For the end was to have FAITH enough in the warning of the coming Storm to move others to help him build the arkshelter, and that moving force, Paul tells us, was FEAR! For 'by FAITH Noah, being WARNED of God, moved with FEAR, prepared an ark to the saving of his house (family)' (Hebrews 11:7)!

By the same token, the prophets warn that destructive 'flashes of lightning, loud blasts and peals of thunder' (Weymouth's Version), will follow the Armageddon Storm as a natural result of the up-blast of waterspouts re-orbiting the mighty waters of the sea, as well as great stones of ice (hail)—perhaps from the breaking up of the massive polar icecaps—weighing as much as a talent or some 58 pounds! Yet the few today who have heard anything at all about Armageddon believe that it is either an earthquake—from the mistranslated word in Revelation—or that it is only a mere battle between men, and little preparation has been made up to now for such a world-wide disaster as this literal WHIRLWIND.

WARN MEN WITH FEAR

But Armageddon is a REAL Storm that will devastate the surface of this earth, the prophets tell us, and the only possible way of DELIVERANCE for a Great Multitude is to 'move a Great Multitude with FEAR' to preparing for it! Certainly nothing is to be gained by selfishly moving to a safer place now, as we might leave thousands in our own community who need to be WARNED, and if even a few of these can be 'moved with FEAR' now there is much to be gained, even 'to the saving of their house'! The important thing NOW is to give the WARNING, and there is no time to lose! For the Almighty himself (in his lovingkindness, because there is no way of avoiding the coming WHIRLWIND) WARNS men, through his prophets, to WARN others, so that a Great Mutitude will be ready in that day to 'come out of Babylon' and go into the rocks of the mountains and HIDE for a little while until his indignation be overpast!

BABYLON AND THE WHIRLWIND

The prophets tell us that great BABYLON will come in for her cup in the Armageddon wrath in the end of this age, and since ancient Babylon on the Euphrates river went into PERPETUAL DESOLA- TIONS many centuries ago, it is obvious that the prophets used the name BABYLON as a symbol. And since Armageddon is a literal WHIRLWIND that will lay low cities, towns, and every standing thing of our civilization, we believe the time has come to try to unravel the mystery of this symbol, and if we go back a bit perhaps we can learn just what the prophets meant when they wrote of BABYLON THE GREAT!

For while the primary reason for the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND is to re-orbit the mighty waters of the sea and make room for the untold billions who soon afterward will be brought back to this earth from the dead (Psalms 42:8—Revelation 21:1), it will also rebuke the nations, the prophets tell us, and bring universal peace to the earth! For because of certain 'unclean spirits' or doctrine of devils, there has been little peace upon this earth, and therefore our whole WORLD-SYSTEM must be brought to an end in the WHIRLWIND, the prophet warns, and make way for a brand new WORLD-SYSTEM in 'the world to come'! And it is in this prophecy, we believe, that the key is found to the real identity of BABYLON THE GREAT:

"And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates [BABYLON—the old site of ancient Babylon] . . . And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are spirits [doctrines] of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the WHOLE WORLD, to gather them to the battle of the great day of God Almighty . . . Armageddon . . . and there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great WHIRLWIND [mistranslated 'earthquake'], such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty a WHIRLWIND, and so great. And the great city [BABYLON—this Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM or civilization—that] was divided into three parts [religion, commerce, politics] and the cities of the nations [of BABYLON] fell: and great BABYLON came in rememberance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath." Revelation 16: 12 to 20.

ANCIENT BABYLON-THE PICTURE

While there are perhaps as many definitions of the symbol BABYLON as religious creeds, the evidence is now overwhelming that the prophets used ancient Babylon to picture our whole Gentile civilization or WORLD-SYSTEM of things which is also called 'this present evil world'! Ancient Babylon was built on both sides of the river Euphrates in a vast square of some 56 miles in circuit, and it was the capital of a Gentile civilization or SYSTEM of Chaldean tribes and nations of the Plain of Shinar. Although the tribes and nations were organized under the SYSTEM of Babylon, they were in constant quarrels and hot and cold battles, and as a perfect counterpart of 'this present world' SYS-TEM, ancient Babylon was a confusing, organizeddisorganized, strife-torn, mixed-up, Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM!

THE SEVEN-HEADED GENTILE BEAST

While little thought has been given to the matter, history shows that our world has been ruled for almost sixty centuries by seven Gentile world-governments, in an almost continuous succession, and these are pictured by the prophets as 'seven heads' of the Gentile 'beast' (Revelation 13:1; 17: 3)! And while little understood, the seventh 'head' or Gentile world-government is with us today as the United Nations Organization. For while the seven 'heads' were Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece, Rome and the League of Nations, the United Nations is a continuation of the old League of Nations, and it is pictured as the head 'that was (as the League of Nations), and is not (when it ceased to function), and yet is (when it became the United Nations), even the eighth, and is OF the SEVENTH (the old League of Nations)' (Revelation 17: 8 to 11)!

THE WOMAN UPON THE BEAST

Of course all of these 'heads' or Gentile worldgovernments have been influenced, controlled and ruled by our Gentile civilization or WORLD-SYSTEM of things, even as the seventh, the United Nations of today, is controlled by the civilization or SYSTEM of 'this present Gentile world'. The very word 'world' is from the Greek 'kosmos' and it means WORLD-SYSTEM of things upon the earth-not the earthand of course the word civilization or WORLD-SYSTEM means 'an ordered community or organized society'. And since it is this that has controlled or ruled the seven Gentile world-governments or 'heads of the beast', the prophets picture our whole Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM as BABYLON THE GREAT or the 'woman (organization) riding upon the beast' (Revelation 17:3).

THE THREE PARTS OF BABYLON

This whole symbol has been such a mystery that many have concluded that there is more than one BABYLON, and in the comments of his Version of the Bible, Dr. C. I. Scofield speaks of 'an ecclesiastical Babylon, a commercial Babylon and a political Babylon' (pages 1346 and 1347). But the Revelator says 'the great city (BABYLON) was divided into THREE PARTS' (Revelation 16:19), and we must conclude that he referred to the three parts of religion, commerce, and politics which make up our Gentile civilization or WORLD-SYSTEM of things. And because our three-part civilization or Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM of religion, commerce and politics has ruled or rode upon the back of the seven Gentile 'heads', it is symbolized as 'BABYLON THE GREAT, that great city (organization) which reigneth over the (Gentile) kings of the earth' (Revelation 17:18).

BABYLON MEANS GENTILE

The prophets could hardly have chosen a better Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM than for 0111 symbol BABYLON, for surely all must agree that while we have a wonderful earth. we live in a confusing, strifetorn, hate-filled, mixed-up civilization or WORLD-SYSTEM of things. Moreover, it was the Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM of ancient Babylon that put an end to all non-Gentile nations when she carried away the non-Gentile Jewish Nation, thus making the very name BABYLON synonymous with GENTILE, and so BABYLON'S WORLD-SYSTEM would have exactly same meaning as our GENTILE WORLDthe SYSTEM! And if one is the symbol of the other, then every prophecy of ancient Babylon's civilization becomes a prophecy upon our Gentile civilization, and surely the following far-reaching prophecy of doom upon ancient Babylon should be of grave concern to all Gentile nations today, and should cause us all to alter our thoughts and re-appraise this whole subject of the symbol BABYLON THE GREAT:

"And it shall come to pass, when seventy years

are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the Lord, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it PERPETUAL DESOLATIONS." Jeremiah 25:12.

WORLD-SYSTEM-NOT THE EARTH

For if this is the correct application of this symbol, then the history of the WORLD-SYSTEM of ancient Babylon becomes the FATE of our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM-not the fate of our good earth-and since historians show how literally was fulfilled this prophecy of doom upon ancient Babylon, we must conclude that this is the dire FATE of our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM of things upon the earth! And those who have walked over the crumbling walls and the heaps of stones where ancient Babylon once stood, will attest to the literal fulfillment of this prophecy! For this was such a far-reaching pronouncement of doom that even today, after centuries of time, no person will dare spend a night there, and from that day to this Babylon has indeed been in PERPETUAL DESOLATIONS. Historians have this to say about it:

"It [ancient Babylon] is now a desolation, the great city has become heaps, the land a wilderness for wild beasts, and the Arabs refuse to pitch the tent, and the shepherd to fold sheep there." Smith's Bible Dictionary, page 31.

If the very site of ancient Babylon's SYSTEM of religion, commerce and politics has gone into the dust and has become an abomination, and if this is a symbol of the fate of our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM of religion, commerce and politics, then this symbol of BABYLON THE GREAT becomes of vital concern to all of us! And it is obvious that few have understood the tremendous significance of this symbol. For the majority of commentators today theorize that BABY-LON pictures organized religion or perhaps the Roman Catholic part of it, and because they have come out of this part, they assume that they have obeyed the command to 'come out of BABYLON' (Revelation 18:4), and of course they feel safe and secure! But it is now obvious that this belief is quite childish, and that no person upon this earth today has come out of BABY-LON! First, most of these who have come out of one part of organized religion have merely gone back into another part, and second, BABYLON is far too old and much too powerful to picture the Roman Catholic Hierarchy or any other religious organization!

For while the Roman Hierarchy is some 1600 years old (call it 1900 if you like), that which is symbolized by BABYLON is almost 6,000 years old. For in BABY-LON 'was found the blood of the prophets, the saints, and ALL that were slain upon the earth' (Revelation 18:4), the prophet tells us, and of course this would include Abel who was slain almost 6,000 years ago. Obviously then that which is pictured by BABYLON is almost 4,000 years older than the Roman Catholic Hierarchy—much too old to be fulfilled in any one religious organization—and it is obvious that men have failed to see the far-reaching significance of the symbol BABY-LON THE GREAT!

GATE TO GOD- YET CONFUSION

Of course one of the parts of BABYLON is organized religion including the Roman Hierarchy, and while the very name means 'gate to God', it has become confusion (Babel), and nothing is more confusing than the Babel-condition of the hundreds of sects and religious organizations of our WORLD-SYSTEM! But

there is more to BABYLON than organized religion! For other than her confusing commercialism and competitive economy, like her counterpart ancient Babylon, our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM is made up of organized-disorganized nations and kifigdoms who duartet and battle constantly, and in the short space of one generation millions have shed their blood in two major obvious that this bolici is quite childish tait will be will be a provided by the person upon this cart, acht, har come one of levine the second person upon the second person acht. THE GOD OF THIS GENTILE WORL pare or organization of gran never to never generologic onder another party and record, 1551571331515 is far to <u>cold</u> and While perhaps not everyone will be able to understand the mystery of this symbol, to those who can understand it will be obvious that the prophets used the symbol of BABYLON THE GREAT to picture our Gentile BABYLONISH WORLD-SYSTEM with its three organized yet disorganized parts. For while nothing is more disorganized than our Gentile world, actually it is secretly or MYSTERIOUSLY organized under the now-unseen 'god of this world' who has 'blinded the minds' (2 Corinthians 4:4) of millions to this fact. This whole, confusing, and mysterious conglomeration is pictured as a woman or organization by the prophets, and tured as a woman or organization by the prophets, and exactly like the Revelator, many who read these lines successful on the monitor strong by organization workers and these lines will marvel as they begin to understand the mystery of will marvel as they begin to understand the mystery of organization organization and the source of the organization of the source of the organization of the source of the organization of the BABYLON THE GREAT! see the far-reaching si

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COME OUT DURING THE WHIRLWIND

GATE TO GOD-YET CONFUSION

How utterly ridiculous then for one to think that he has come out of BABYLON! Certainly no man should be so foolish as to think he can come out of BABYLON (THIS WORLD-SYSTEM) and still eat, and it is obvious that those who think that they have already come out of BABYLON, and who therefore feel safe and secure, have missed the whole point! For mark carefully that we are not told to come out NOW, but we are warned to come out of BABYLON just before she rewained to come out of BABYLON just before she re-ceives her plagues in the coming Armageddon WHIRL-WIND. For as the mighty WHIRLWIND takes up the waters of the oceans and brings to naught her trading bus sea, note that it will sweep away the civilization of BABYLON — THIS, ORGANIZED - DISORGAand things which are data by the second with the internation of the second who shall be shall Storm of that day: Storm of that day: -noo these things'! Visualize this whole' glomeration held together and stabilized by 'religion' US2 60,"Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, falling , bus 112 and ia become the habitation of devils, and the bold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and 566

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But mark well in the account above that neither the merchants, shipmasters, sailors, nor any others are condemned for trading, working, making a living, nor even for getting rich in this BABYLONISH WORLD! Rather these are favored with the WARNING to come out of her just before she receives her calamities in the WHIRLWIND in order to save their own lives! As a matter of fact, note that this BABYLONISH WORLD herself is not condemned for the 'dainty and goodly things, and the riches' men have gotten through her, as there is no other way to acquire the things men must have in order to live!

SHE HAS ORGANIZED THE WHOLE EARTH

For BABYLON 'reigneth over all of the kingdoms and nations of the earth' (Revelation 17:18), and it is utterly impossible today to leave BABYLON or to live or make a living outside of her. Even if one moved to the remotest island of the sea, he would still be subject to registration for military service, taxes, social security, old age pensions, etc., as BABYLON today has organized the entire earth! While this may come as a shock to those who honestly believe that they have come out of BABYLON, from now on we must understand that we not only live in BABYLON but we all work for BABYLON, as there is no other way to live and work upon this earth. The prophet expresses it as being IN the world (BABYLON) but not OF it! For while those who know BABYLON will be destroyed are not OF it, no man can come out of it until the day of its destruction, as BABYLON symbolizes this whole organized-disorganized world ('kosmos' — Greek world-system)!

BABYLON'S FALSE CLAIM

But it is interesting to note that it is not for organizing the earth that our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM is condemned by the prophets, but it is because of a false claim! For while she is branded as 'this present evil world' who is 'widowed' from God, and who must come to an end after the times of the Gentiles, she has deceived the nations and led them to believe that somehow she is God's OUEEN or God's WORLD-SYSTEM which shall have no end and therefore see no sorrow. Men believe this false claim, and because of it millions, of good people actually love this Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM, and they refuse to believe that it will ever come to an end! Even right from childhood we are taught to look upon this WORLD-SYSTEM with great awe and reverence, and the man today who refuses to venerate its three parts of religion, commerce, and politics may be called a non-conformist, a radical, a heathen, an atheist, an infidel, or anything else that is supposed to be bad. For its leaders claim that it is God's QUEEN or WORLD-SYSTEM, and it is for this very deception that she must be destroyed:

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History bears out the prophecy that every king of the first six Gentile world-governments (heads of the beast) claimed that his rule was by 'divine right', and therefore that the Gentile SYSTEM of things was God's QUEEN or WORLD-SYSTEM, and the seventh head of the Gentile beast of our day, the League of Nations-United Nations, has carried on the tradition by falsely branding itself 'the political expression of God's Kingdom on earth'! So while we may see both bad and good in the three parts of religion, commerce and politics of 'this present WORLD-SYSTEM' which the prophets call BABYLON THE GREAT, she is definitely and finally condemned by God's prophets for falsely professing to be God's QUEEN or God's WORLD-SYSTEM, and she is therefore doomed to destruction!

THE WINE OF HER FORNICATION

This false claim is obviously the doctrine of devils 'out of the mouth of the dragon (Satan), out of the mouth of the false prophet (BABYLON), and out of the mouth of the beast (Gentile world-government) that carrieth her' (Revelation 16: 13, 14), or the false 'wine of her fornication (idolatry)' which has made all Gentile nations drunk with power and deceived the made

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RISING OF THE ATHEISTIC NATIONS

And swept from the earth she shall be; for today she is not only 'mothering' daughter-kingdoms and daughter-organizations who profess to be Christendom —which is enough to warrant her destruction—but she is 'mothering' other unclean and hateful things in the form of atheistic and communistic nations who have 'raised up against the Lord'. And mark that Jeremiah substantiates the Revelator that it is because of all of these unclean and hateful things 'in the midst of BABYLON' that the DESTROYING WIND of Armageddon will sweep her clean and utterly empty her land in the coming day of trouble:

"Thus saith the Lord: Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the midst of them [of this BABYLONISH WORLD] that rise up against me [the atheistic nations who are openly against God], a DESTROYING WIND [the Armageddon WHIRLWIND]; and will send into Babylon fanners [whirling winds?], that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the DAY OF TROUBLE they [the WHIRLWINDS] shall be against her round about." Jeremiah 51: 1, 2.

BABYLON COULD HAVE BEEN HEALED

While the prophets appear to hold out no hope for

the atheistic nations who are openly against God, there was a possibility, it seems, that our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM might have been healed of her fornication (idolatry), and perhaps towns, cities and maybe whole nations might have survived the Armageddon WHIRL-WIND! For BABYLON was a golden cup in the Lord's hand, and perhaps if our leaders-religious, financial and political-would tell the people flatly that no part of our Gentile WORLD-SYSTEM is Christendom or God's SYSTEM, that there is no salvation in her, and that the New Jerusalem-Government is above and is yet to come, then BABYLON could be healed and might somehow escape! But this would take away the false glory and the power of her leaders, and therefore it is not likely. So BABYLON is not healed, and individuals must be warned to flee out of the midst of her. For she is doomed, the prophets warn, and it is now up to every man to save his own life:

"Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his own soul [life]: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of the Lord's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence. Babylon hath been a golden cup in the Lord's hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine [her false claim that she is Christendom, Christ's QUEEN or Church-Kingdom]; therefore the nations are mad [with power and false glory]. Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed." Jeremiah 51: 6 to 9.

FLEE BABYLON-INTO THE EARTH

But while it is indicated that BABYLON'S leaders will continue to look upon her as something grand and glorious even to the very end, the prophets were not ashamed to speak of her as an unholy thing whose

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Certainly these are words of doom for our whole BABYLONISH WORLD-SYSTEM and her daughterorganizations! For she will never swallowsibers pride and be healed, the prophet tells us, and therefore she must the swept away in the Armageddon WHIRL-WIND. Certainly no one wants to be a calamity howler, but this is a matter of life and death, and the time is long past for concealing these warning words simply for fear of being called a prophet of doom. For earth's millions know nothing about it, and the few who have heard of Armageddon have been led to believe that it is

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But while there is no way of Heating our BABY-LONISH WORLD nor of saving her daughter king-doms and organizations, there is way an even and a same and a sa Multitude of individuals, the prophets tellins. For, while Isaiah also paints a black picture of this terrible day of doom, he also shows that there is no way out for in dividuals. For note that he too warns that the only way out in that day is for 'every one to flee into his own EARTH (underground shelter)'! For here again the Hebrew word 'erets' is mistranslated land; for of course the English translators could not understand why the prophets would warn men to flee into their own EARTH ('erets' of underground shelter); and they simply changed the word erets "to bufftry tof tilanda For in some 400 other places in the Bible they correctiv translated the Hebrew word repets is in EARTH. TTY? the last of the nations of the earth! For if we can

-rebut of The burden of Babylon; which Isaiah the son of our (INAMOZSdidliee .not Howinger for the day of the Lord usie is is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty. Therefore shall all hands be faint, and mus every man's heart shall melt: and they shall be bro liw affaid pangs and sorrow shall take hold of thems up off they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth; form they they that be amazed one at another; their faces on shall be as flames. Behold, the day of the Lord natri cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate; and he shall destroy the singletty ners thereof out of it. For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. And I will punish the WORLD [BABYLON] for their evil, tand

the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the Lord of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger. And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people [family] AND FLEE EVERY ONE INTO HIS OWN EARTH [underground shelter —erets—mistranslated 'land']." Isaiah 13: 1 to 15,

GO UNDERGROUND-OR DIE IN WHIRLWIND

While space here permits barely scratching the surface of the evidence, you can see that every prophecy upon BABYLON becomes a declaration of doom upon our BABYLONISH WORLD! And before we leave this vast subject, perhaps we should go back and stand off with the Revelator for a moment, and get a clear picture of this whole BABYLONISH WORLD-SYSTEM of religion, commerce, and politics, riding upon the back of the nations of the earth! For if we can project this picture clearly in our minds, we can understand why the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND must sweep away every vestage of this civilization in order to make way for the true Christendom-the New Jerusalem-Government which is above-which will make our good earth a fit place for men to live 'in the world to come'. And in such a violent upheaval of nature, we can now understand why men must either go underground or die in the WHIRLWIND:

"Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth

have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication . . . and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast [world government], full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns [world powers] . . . and upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT. THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH . . . Rejoice over her [coming destruction], thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged [will avenge] you on her. And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all . . . for by thy sorceries [false claims] were all nations deceived. And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of ALL that were slain upon the earth." Revelation 17: 1 to 6-18: 20 to 24.

WARN THE NATIONS-CONCEAL NOT

If we can grasp this whole startling picture, we will—we MUST—heed the words of Jeremiah and 'declare among the nations, publish and conceal not' this WARNING, even at the risk of being called prophets of doom! For BABYLON will be swept from the face of this earth in the WHIRLWIND, and the 'sowers and the handlers of the sickle' (our relatives, friends, neighbors and ALL in BABYLON) must be WARNED to be ready and to WARN others to do the same! For in that day, the prophets warn us over and over again, it will simply be a question of taking our families and fleeing 'every one INTO his own EARTH (underground shelter)' or of sudden death in the WHIRL-WIND:

"The word that the Lord spake against Babylon and against the land of the Chaldeans by Jeremiah the prophet. Declare ye among the nations, and pub20.1

Sincergilen heverbuilt for lothemselves withis vereat WORLEYSTEW abon the earth "like" abonitably TOWER, they look back over the centuries and see it improving and growing higher and higher, and millions honestly believe that it is indestructible and that it will eventually bring us 28 a Golden Age. But while the prophets saw it growing higher and higher, they looked forward and compared it to the Lord's SYSTEM of 'the world to come, and in this contrast the glamour of our WORDDISYSTEMICTOWER fadesuand becomes an. other tower lof Babel, and therefore the prophets hic rured it as BABYLON THE GREAT! Obviously it is only until med see this contrast that they will weep and mourn for her' (Revelation 18:19) to 20) as she is torn abwhilto make way for the new SYSTEM /during the Armageddon WHIREWIND Vas /it / syphons upor the that day, the prophets warn usesventholzersewaythgint will simply be a question of taking our families and abigo while this coming day of Armageddon is not a day to be desired, 恍 is not a day of doom? 中时 not only are we assured that a Great Multitude will survive the WHIRLWIND by seeking refuge, but the greatest promises everigivent are these of the Saviour' himself mobilit^X^gill^shobbeland of the Chaldcant by Jeremiah that some and the motions, and pub-

(or new SYSTEM) 'will come' and 'ALL that are in the graves (death) shan hear his voice and shan come forth 19 (John 5.28) fl Ald bf Blurke Alle's Will the Ride your loved ones and mine, as with a stall UP thuse sporets of as the stall of the Edronant the Amageddon WHIRLWIND (Jeremiah 25: 31 to 33)! So there is every hope for all of us Rong today! and towelat matfer, there is hope for every person who mas wood lived WHIRLWIND as it is set forth in our idrigation ofth the time prophecies (at pages 253 to 312 1 our book dan But in spite of this incomparable hope, it is obvidits that untold millions living today intight de spared mie terrible slaughter of the Armugeddon WHIREWIND if they could be warned of up madvance! This is the reason for the urgency in giving the warning today, and we now have renewed hope that millions will receive the warning in time. For since first publishing some warning of the WHIRLWIND'In the first printing of this Book, we have received literally thousands 8f offers for it, and it is now being distributed in every corner of the earth. Offeoticse we will confinute topyinAthis Book, and we want to invite every reader of these lines to help us distribute this warning (write to Havnest Publishers, Jefferson City, Mog for literature on the Whirlwinder the earth and the rocks of the motorialities and the earth them with food and water! And they will be warned by a 'voice' frong 2018 april HIP ropid ts tell us, which will actually 'plead with all flesh' before the destructive While Bible Chronology and the time propheres the while Bible Chronology and the time propheres tail bir the time the time to see a set of the time to show that we have some some little time yet so go enough time to wain the world of a catastrophe sticklas the coming WHIRLWIND, and we can hever be sure about Chronology and the time prophecies. Although Bible Chronology and the prophets are never wrong, ment fo' hoisiss for the earth; for the LORD hath a controand we should never advise anyone to accept any private interpretation of the time factors. Rather we should point out the advice of the prophets, we believe, to WATCH always and be ready at all times.

Although we have no reason to doubt the correctness of the exact date for the coming Armageddon WHIRLWIND as it is set forth in our Chronology and the time prophecies (at pages 253 to 312 in our book 'The 'Time Of The End'), there is still little enough time to give the warning, and this becomes of the greatest urgency! For while many report that they have already prepared underground shelters, of far greater urgency now is to give the warning of the coming WHIRLWIND to our relatives, neighbors and to a Great Multitude of believing people, and along with thousands of our readers we are sparing no expense in doing so!

A VOICE FROM JERUSALEM

For it is now strongly indicated that men will be warned just when to get ready to go into the caves of the earth and the rocks of the mountains and to stock them with food and water! And they will be warned by a 'voice' from Jerusalem, the prophets tell us, which will actually 'plead with all flesh' before the destructive elements of the WHIRLWIND are turned loose. While this is quite startling, it is certainly merciful and just what we would expect of our Saviour, and there is absolutely no reason to doubt that it will be a literal voice! For the prophets tell us just whose voice men can expect to hear from Jerusalem in that day:

"A noise [voice—broadcast?] shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations; HE will plead with all flesh; HE will give them that are wicked [WRONG— 'rasha'—not wicked, but WRONG about what is then taking place] to the sword [death], saith the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great WHIRL-WIND shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground." Jeremiah 25: 31, 32, 33.

WRONG - NOT WICKED

The Hebrew word rendered 'wicked' (rasha) above means WRONG, not wicked at all, and it is obvious that if one dies in the Armageddon WHIRLWIND it will be because he is WRONG, not because he is wicked. For few are completely wicked, as we understand that word, but it is obvious that untold millions of good people will be WRONG in that day. And of course because they are WRONG they will refuse to heed the voice warning them to seek shelter, and there will be no way that their destruction can be avoided. For it is now evident that the voice men will hear just before the WHIRLWIND will be that of the Lord Jesus himself! For while the LORD in the above text may refer to the Father, Jesus has always been his Word, Spokesman, or Voice, and therefore it is the Lord Jesus who will plead with all flesh and warn men just when to go into the caves of the earth and the rocks of the mountains!

For the Lord Jesus will suddenly return to this earth, the prophets inform us, in an invasion from outer space, if you like, to set up his new government and 'save the world' (John 3:17)—not this WORLD-SYSTEM, but the world of mankind. It is his 'voice', they tell us, that will first plead with all flesh to forsake BABYLON just before the mighty forces of the Armageddon WHIRLWIND are turned loose, and of course only those who obey his voice to seek refuge can be saved. While those we warn in advance may not believe now, when they hear the voice they will be in a better position to KNOW what is taking place and they are far more likely to OBEY, while it is obviously those we fail to warn who will KNOW NOT and who therefore may OBEY NOT, and it is these, the prophets tell us, who will bring upon themselves the terrible 'blood bath' of the WHIRLWIND:

"When the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance [pouring out justice—Greek] on them that KNOW NOT God, and that OBEY NOT the gospel ['announcement'—Greek—warning] of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction [age-ending destruction—Greek —or temporary death] from the presence of the Lord [when he is present at Jerusalem], and from the glory of his [Governmental] power;" 2 Thessalonians 1: 7, 8, 9.

While those who will be killed in Armageddon are spoken of as 'slain of the Lord', actually these will bring the blood bath upon themselves simply because they will be WRONG in their thinking, they will KNOW NOT what is taking place and will do nothing about it! As a matter of fact, the Lord Jesus will not kill one single one of them, but rather he will plead with ALL flesh to seek refuge! And exactly like the days of Noah, if they refuse to OBEY his voice to go into the earth-shelters, there is no possible way he can save them from the coming WHIRLWIND as it sweeps over this earth! For the waters of the sea must be removed from the fertile ocean bottoms to make room for the untold millions who soon afterward will come back to this earth from the dead, and therefore there is no possible way that the WHIRLWIND of Armageddon can be avoided!

This truth removes another slanderous accusation from the name of the Lord! For now we know if we are killed in the Armageddon WHIRLWIND it will be our own doing, not that of the Lord's! For he will try to save us, we are told, will actually plead with all flesh, but it is obvious that many good people will still not heed. For there are millions today who feel safe and secure in their own religion, and it is understandable that they may refuse to believe the warning that it all must come to an end. Some who never miss a church service may have such confidence in their own denomination-which cannot give them the warning because it knows nothing about it-that it may be quite difficult for them to accept the warning from any source outside of their own denomination. But this must not stop us from trying to reach them with the warning in advance. For in that day it will be a question of obeying his voice to flee into the shelters or of dying in the WHIRL-WIND!

HE SHALL STAND ON MOUNT OF OLIVES

And surely in this day of electronic advancement there is no good reason to doubt the plain words of the prophets that the Lord Jesus will literally stand upon the mount of Olives and 'broadcast' his voice to the world! While the Lord Jesus may have some method far ahead of our present television transmitters (and we may also have improved methods by that day), certainly for the present we can understand how he could broadcast from the hill of Olives with some unkown frequency that would drown out all other channels and carry his voice to the far-flung spots of the world! For there now appears to be little doubt that his 'noise that shall come even to the ends of the earth' will be some kind of a broadcast through which he will 'roar' his warning to 'ALL of the inhabitants of the earth':

"The Lord shall roar from on high [over the air?], and utter his voice from his holy habitation [mount of Olives at Jerusalem?]; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against [unto] ALL the inhabitants of the earth." Jeremiah 25:30.

The Septuagint Version adds the line that 'they that tread the grapes (perhaps meaning the workers or common people of the earth) will answer', and better translations of this text leave little doubt that his voice will come from some kind of a broadcasting transmitter! The Ferrar Fenton Version actually calls it a 'STA-TION', the very term we use for our transmitters (broadcasting STATIONS) today, and he gives a perfect description of a world-wide broadcast when he likens it to thunder from on high! And note that ALL of the inhabitants of the earth must either accept the warning voice cheerfully or be overthrown (in the WHIRLWIND):

"The Ever-living will thunder from on high, and from within his sanctuary will utter his voice. He will shout from his STATION [T.V. STATION?], Charge with cheer,—[or]—overthrow ALL the inhabitants of the country." Jeremiah 25:30, Ferrar Fenton.

This is the only interpretation that could make believable the prophecy that 'every eye shall see him (Jesus), and they also which pierced him (when they are resurrected)' (Revelation 1:7)! For surely only by some modern invention like television could every eye see him, and this appears to be the method of fulfilling such prophecies. Micah also says he will judge among many people from his mountain at Jerusalem, and that he will 'rebuke strong nations afar off' (Micah 4:1, 2, 3), certainly necessitating some kind of far-reaching broadcasts, and Zechariah appears to agree with this thought. For Jesus will literally stand upon the mount of Olives, he says, and he makes it clear that he means the literal mount of Olives 'which is before Jerusalem on the east':

"Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave [baga-break open] in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley [gay-gorge, cavern, tunnel-underground shelter?]; and half of the mountain shall be removed toward the north, and half of it toward the south." Zechariah 14: 1 to 5.

THE LORD'S UNDERGROUND SHELTER

This is an amazing prophecy, and while it has puzzled men for centuries, it is now obvious that it foretells how the Lord Jesus will protect those at Jerusalem with him during the mighty WHIRLWIND! For other than his immortality (deathlessness), the Lord Jesus is the very same flesh and blood man who walked upon this earth, and while nothing could take away his life, this prophecy seems to show that he will actually prepare an underground shelter for those with him at Jerusalem! Dr. C. I. Scofield comments that this prophecy is yet to be fullfilled, as none of it was fulfilled at the first advent of Jesus, and he suggests that the forming of a deep gorge or cavern in the center of the little hill called the mount of Olives might be accomplished by a mighty earthquake. Note the interesting comments from his Version of the Bible:

"Verse 5 implies that the cleavage of the Mount of Olives is due to an earthquake . . . Surely in a land seamed by seismic disturbances it should not be difficult to believe that another earthquake might cleave the little hill called the Mount of Olives. Not one of the associated events of Zechariah 14 occured at the first coming of Christ, closely associated though he then was to the Mount of Olives." Scofield Version, page 978.

But whatever the method, it is now obvious that Jesus will somehow prepare a tremendous underground shelter in the little mountain of Olives which is before Ierusalem on the east. And although it is called a 'valley' in the translations, the prophet seems to indicate that it will be a tremendous tunnel running east and west and open at both ends! For it will not be either light or dark in it, he says, and perhaps those in old Ierusalem will have access to it from its western end and those outside of the city will flee to it from its eastern end. For it will reach from the edge of the old city to Azal (the limit of the mount of Olives-see Smith's Bible Dictionary, page 29), says the prophet, and as he continues, note that not only will Believers around Jerusalem flee to this shelter, but the Lord Jesus shall come into it also, he says, and all the saints with him:

"And ye shall flee to the valley [tunnel, underground shelter] of the mountains; for the valley [tunnel] of the mountain shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake ['raash'—Hebrew—uproar, WHIRLWIND] in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the Lord thy God ['Mighty One'—Jesus] shall come, and all the saints with thee. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark. But it shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord, not day [not light], nor night [nor dark]: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light [perhaps from the sun shining in its western end?]." Zechariah 14: 5 to 8.

A BLUEPRINT FOR SHELTERS?

This prophecy of Zechariah is quite astonishing, and it may be that the prophetic description of the Lord's own tunnel-shelter at Jerusalem is given as a blueprint for constructing underground shelters in advance of the mighty Storm! For mark carefully that the Lord's tunnel-shelter will have openings on the east and the west, but none on the north and south, and there must be a good reason for this. The Revelator divides the WHIRLWIND into 'four winds' (Revelation 7:1) or four waterspouts, and since Jeremiah declares that it will be raised up 'FROM the (sea) coasts of the earth' (Jeremiah 25:32), it appears that the real cores of the four waterspouts will be out in the four oceans as they syphon up the mighty waters of the sea!

And since there will be less resistance to the waterspouts from the rotation of the earth at the two poles of its axis, it is almost certain that the waterspouts will twist up toward the north and south poles. If this is true, then of course the destructive winds that will sweep over all dry land of the earth will be cross-winds or straight winds, and of course they will be pulled toward the north pole and toward the south pole from every part of the earth by the tremendous suction of the waterspouts. This would mean that the winds will blow only from the north and the south and not from the east or the west, and the prophets appear to agree with this thought. For time and again they speak of the 'WHIRLWIND of the SOUTH' (Zechariah 9:14— Isaiah 21:1), and the 'WHIRLWIND from the NORTH' (Ezekiel 1:4—Jeremiah 1:14), and if this theory is correct, of course the most ideal underground shelters should have openings on the east or west, and not on the north or the south.

And since the Lord's blueprint for his PUBLIC shelter at Jerusalem calls for a tunnel-shaped shelter with dual openings—certainly for circulation of air all public shelters should be designed to this perfect blueprint. Perhaps one opening on the east or west should be sufficient for private or family shelters, and other than the fact that they must definitely be UNDERGROUND, with a reinforced roof or ceiling heavy enough to withstand the hail (Revelation 16:21) and heavy, flying objects, this appears to meet the specification of the perfect blueprint of the Lord's shelter at Jerusalem.

Of course additional information for building and stocking storm shelters can be obtained in this country free of charge from any Civil Defense Office, and this could be valuable information. For while this agency knows nothing about the coming Armageddon Storm, it will quite likely recommend such shelters for every home, and suggest proper preparation for stocking them with water, staple food, warm clothing, and some kind of lights other than gas or electric lights, as well as battery radio or television receivers to maintain contact during any kind of disturbance.

While the battery radio or television receivers are

recommended only for contact during local storms or atomic attacks, they may also be vitally essential in the coming Armageddon Storm! For while it is obvious that no gas facilitites, electric facilities or broadcasting stations of BABYLON will survive the Armageddon WHIRLWIND, the prophets strongly hint that the Lord's 'broadcasting STATION' at Jerusalem will survive! Of course his voice of pleading with all flesh will be broadcast BEFORE the WHIRLWIND, but note above that Ferrar Fenton's Version of Jeremiah (25:30) says 'from WITHIN his sanctuary (underground shelter?) will he utter his voice'!

A MARTIAL LAW FROM JERUSALEM?

And who knows that the Lord will not move his 'transmitter' underground and broadcast his words of domfort to frightened Believers huddled in their underground shelters all over the earth, and instruct them with words of assurance above the terrible noise of the shrieking winds as they rip across the surface of the earth? Heaven knows Believers will need comfort and assurance in that day! And the prophets indicate that the very first act of the Lord Jesus will be to declare a 'martial law' over the earth, and from the day he sets foot upon the mount of Olives—and perhaps right on through the WHIRLWIND and from then on—he will give out his Law and his word of instruction from Jerusalem, and what better way than some kind of a worldwide broadcast?

"For the law [perhaps first a 'martial law'] shall go forth from Zion, and the word of the Lord [of instruction, comfort, and assurance, perhaps right on through the WHIRLWIND] from Jerusalem." Micah 4:2.

Of course this will sound strange and unbelievable

to many, and we expect many to scoff as they read these lines! For while these are plain and simple words of the prophets—and there are many more which we cannot take the space to quote—we have been fed the same old religious doctrines for so long that it is difficult to take the prophets at their word. But it is not at all unreasonable that his 'broadcasting sanctuary' will be underground but high up in the mount of Olives so that his voice will carry to every shelter, even in the far-flung spots of the earth!

While it is comforting to think that the Lord Jesus might broadcast words of assurance and instruction during the Storm, it is also rather frightening that the Lord Jesus himself, who has immortality and who cannot be destroyed, will go into the shelter during the WHIRLWIND! But this agrees with the above prophecy of Zechariah that the Lord shall come into the shelter under the mount of Olives 'and the saints with him'! Certainly the Lord Jesus will have his own reasons for seeking refuge from the Storm, but the very fact that he does, reveals the terrible devastation of it, and shows the importance of warning others. For if the Lord Jesus at Jerusalem takes refuge while the Almighty shakes terribly the earth in the Armageddon Storm, surely there is no hope of survival for anyone else who does not do likewise!

WARNING NEVER FORGOTTEN

But while earth's millions know nothing about the coming Storm now, this warning of it is something that will stick in their minds from now on, and whether or not they believe, they will think about it and discuss it with others. One piece of literature may be passed around chain-like to many, and you can be postive that no person who reads these lines will ever forget it! They won't all believe now by any means, and many will think that we are definitely 'off', but the important thing now is to get the warning in their hands. For it is of such a nature that every person who reads these lines will remember, and while many will scoff at it now, when the MAN Jesus actually returns to Jerusalem and they hear his voice roar from on high, they will definitely remember and they may OBEY, and if so, you will have had a part in saving their lives!

For already the chain has started and many are passing it on, and it could go on to the very ends of the earth. We hear from many who are accepting the warning, and it has been called to our attention that one group is now planning to move to Jerusalem, perhaps with the thought in mind that the Lord's shelter under the mount of Olives will provide greater protection. But while it is only natural and good sense to provide for our own protection, if this is our only concern, it would appear to be rather selfish. The Lord will take care of those at Jerusalem, and it would appear that the unselfish thing to do is to remain right where we are and warn our own community. Obviously it is for this very reason that we are given the warning, and certainly this accounts for the fact that so many today are isolated and the only ones for miles around who have received the warning. So if you appear to be the only one in your community who has received the warning, you can understand why (and if so, write us for suitable printed matter so that you can warn your neighbors).

DELIVERANCE FOR THE LIVING AND DEAD

While our deliverance will depend upon the voice from Jerusalem, we cannot all go there, and certainly it is not necessary that we do so. For both the living and the billions who are dead will depend upon this voice, and we can now understand the words of Joel that 'in mount Zion and in (or from) Jerusalem shall be deliverance' (Joel 2:32)! For if we are living when the Lord Jesus returns to Jerusalem, we must obey his voice in order to survive the WHIRLWIND, but if we have died in the meantime, it is this same voice that will call us from the dead (John 5:28), and both the living and the dead will forever obey the Law from Zion and the voice of this MAN Jesus and his government at Jerusalem.

THE ANTICHRIST

Certainly if you and I are living in that day we will let nothing pull us away from our television screen and speaker—if this is the method the Lord Jesus uses —simply because we have been warned in advance and we believe the warning. But while it would seem that every person would listen to his voice and hail him as the Saviour of the world, this is far from the case! For other than the atheistic nations who have little faith in anything, there are actually so-called religious movements today who actually teach that the Lord Jesus will never come back to this earth in the flesh, and this in spite of the fact that the prophets tell us plainly that this is the very AN'TICHRIST doctrine!

With all of the evidence that he is the 'same Jesus', that he will stand upon the mount of Olives and that every eye shall see him, it is difficult to understand how any sane person could reject such facts and accept the ANTICHRIST doctrine, and strange indeed is it that even so-called religious movements accept it! But the Apostles tell us that they had trouble with this false doctrine, and today there appears to be such a desperate effort to promote it that some religious movements actually canvass local communities from house to house and send their members out in the world with this doctrine that Jesus has become some kind of phantom, ghost or invisible spirit who will never come back to this earth as a man. And strange as it seems, these movements are growing world-wide, and thousands of innocent people are taken in by them yearly. And this in spite of the plainly written words of the prophets that this doctrine is the very ANTICHRIST, and that those innocent people who go from house to house with it are actually DECEIVERS:

"For many DECEIVERS have gone out into the world, men who will not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in the FLESH ['who do not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in HUMAN FORM', says Smith-Goodspeed Version]; such a one is a DE-CEIVER and the ANTICHRIST." 2 John 7, Revised Standard Version.

BEWARE OF DOCTRINE OF ANTICHRIST!

Many have wondered about ANTICHRIST, and surely the prophet here makes it clear, and it is quite likely that every reader of these lines will eventually be contacted by workers of these movements; for they are 'going out into the world' from house to house, the prophet tells us! But there is no reason to be deceived, for the prophet gives a positive identification of them! While they are not likely to mention the doctrine of ANTICHRIST when they first visit you, they are likely to suggest a 'study' in your home where the brainwashing begins! But you have only to use the Prophet's identification! Simply ask them if they believe that Jesus Christ is coming back to this earth in the FLESH! This will identify them if they are of the ANTICHRIST, the prophet assures us, for 'they will not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in the FLESH or HUMAN FORM'!

HOLD TO THE DOCTRINE OF CHRIST

For the prophet warns us to 'abideth in the doctrine of CHRIST', and of course if the false teaching that Jesus will never return to this earth in the FLESH is the doctrine of ANTICHRIST, it goes without saying that the true doctrine of CHRIST is that he WILL return to this earth in the FLESH to set up his Kingdom at Jerusalem and save the world! And this gives you complete protection from ANTICHRIST! For if anyone comes to your house and does not bring this doctrine of CHRIST (that he will return to Jerusalem in the FLESH to set up his Kingdom and save the world), 'do not receive him into your house', is the clear warning of the prophet:

"For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come [IS COMING—Greek] in the FLESH. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ [that he WILL come in his FLESH], hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine [that Christ Jesus will return to Jerusalem in his FLESH to set up his Kingdom and save the world], receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed; for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds." 2 John 7 to 12.

BE TOLERANT?

The tendency today is to be tolerant toward all religions, and we are certainly in complete agreement with this policy. We are not in the religious business, and in trying to publish the facts as set forth herein we are neither for nor against any particular religion. We have never considered it our right to censure any person or his religion, and we certainly are not going to start to do so here. But when religious movements teach this ANTICHRIST doctrine that could well lead to the slaughter of millions in the Armageddon WHIRL-WIND, we feel that we are not only justified in trying to show up this false doctrine, but that we would be partakers of their evil deeds if we did not do so! For this organized effort to destroy the truth of the coming flesh and blood man Jesus is undoubtedly the most dangerous movement that has ever been turned loose upon mankind!

The ANTICHRIST doctrine has already invaded the theological seminaries, the Sunday schools, the denominations and the sects of organized religion, until today millions of good people honestly believe that Jesus is only some kind of a ghost or invisible spirit, and they are no longer looking for him to return to this earth. Because of this doctrine many religions today teach that Christ's Kingdom is already here as something 'in men's hearts' or the church-organizations or some theocratic arrangement of men, and a whole new generation has lost sight of the words of the prophets that the MAN Jesus will return to the old throne of David at Jerusalem to set up his Kingdom and save the world of mankind!

While little understood, this ANTICHRIST movement is far more dangerous than the atomic bomb, and if not stopped it could well destroy mankind with this whole world-system of things! For at the rate this ANTICHRIST movement is growing today, if Armageddon should be far enough in the future that this generation should pass away, the next entire generation might fall for this false doctrine! While it is often a 'sin of ommission' of the leaders of religion, the innocent young people are totally unaware of the danger of it, and there is no way for them to know that it could lead them straight to the slaughter in the Armageddon WHIRLWIND! For when the voice of the Lord roars from the mount of Olives, certainly the young people could not be expected to accept it as the voice of the Lord Jesus when they have been led to believe that he is now only a ghost or invisible spirit who will never return to this earth in the flesh!

A TIME OF CONFUSION

So not only is it vitally important to give the warning now, but we can see the need of retaining this warning in permanent book form to pass on to our children of the coming generation, just in case Armageddon does not come in our lifetime. For Armageddon will be a time of terrific strain upon them—a time that will try men's souls—and surely we owe it to our children and to the coming generation to at least try to warn them in advance, and to leave with them a permanent record of this warning which could save their lives in the great and terrible day of the Lord!

For while we can only visualize the terrible confusion of that day, it seems likely that the news agencies will scream the headlines that the voice from Jerusalem is that of an impostor who claims to be 'the King of the Jews', and certainly both the atheistic and the socalled 'christian' followers of ANTICHRIST (who have been led to believe that Jesus is an invisible spirit who will never return to this earth) will be everywhere trying to prove that the MAN at Jerusalem is a fraud! Visualize your son or your daughter (or anyone's son or daughter for that matter), confronted with such a decision of that day, and you will do everything within your power to try to warn them in advance!

MARKS OF INDENTIFICATION

For we are assured by the prophets that this generation will not pass away until a Great Multitude is warned, and that those who are warned need not be deceived! For when the Lord Jesus returns to Jerusalem 'in the midst of Israel', he will somehow prove to his people that it is HE, and none else (maybe by flashing across the television screen the identifying scars of the wounds in his hands-Zechariah 13:6), and there will be a Great Multitude who will not be deceived! For before this, the prophets tell us, the Lord will pour out his spirit upon all flesh, and our sons and daughters will prophesy (proclaim the warning) and both old men (and women) and young men (and women) will believe; for they will dream dreams and see visions of surviving the Armageddon Storm and of living forever upon this earth:

"And ye shall know that [when] I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God [Mighty One], and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed. And it shall come to pass afterward [during these 'last days'—Dr. C. Scofield's Version— just before Jesus returns to Israel], that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy [proclaim the warning], and your old men [and women] shall dream dreams [of living through the Armageddon Storm and forever upon this earth], your young men [and women] shall see visions [of surviving the WHIRLWIND to endless life upon this earth]: and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit." Joel 2: 27, 28, 29.

PUBLISHING THE WARNING

Possibly the greatest advertising campaign that has ever been carried on upon this earth is yet to be done, and already we can see signs of the spirit of the Lord being poured out upon all flesh! For all over this earth today young men (and women) and old men (and women) are advertising the warning in newspaper ads, handing out and distributing printed matter by mail, and talking to every one they meet about it, and it now seems obvious that this advertising campagin is just getting started! While these men and women are completely unorganized, and we hardly know any of them and hardly any of them are known to one another, we consider it the greatest privilege to work with them and supply them with the needed printed matter to give out the warning.

For the prophets seem to foretell just such a disorganized advertising campaign by a Great Multitude in these last days, and it now seems almost certain that many of these 'young men (and women) and old men (and women)' will be of that Great Multitude foretold by the prophets. For while they will be from all nations, kindreds, people and tongues, and completely disorganized, isolated, and unkown to one another, they will 'cry with a (one) loud voice', the prophet tells us, which could well picture their UNITED effort in publishing this WARNING from the prophets. For it is this Great Multitude ONLY who will 'come out of (or SURVIVE) the great tribulation' of the Armageddon WHIRLWIND, and who will be fed, comforted, and protected by the Lamb (Jesus) through it:

"After this I beheld, and lo, a GREAT MULTI-TUDE, which no man could number [because unorganized, isolated, and unkown even to one another?], of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne ['stood watching for the throne' or coming Kingdom-actual Greek], and before the Lamb ['watching for the Lamb' or the coming of the Lord Jesus], clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a [one] loud voice [a public proclamation?], saying, Salvation to wur God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb [and nothing else?] . . . These are they which came out of [or will SURVIVE the] great tribulation [of the Armageddon WHIRLWIND] . . . They shall hunger not [Greek-see Emphatic Diaglott-during the WHIRLWIND?], neither thirst, neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb [Jesus] which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them into living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." Revelation 7: 9 to 17.

While many of us may not live until that day, it is now almost certain that many who read these lines will do so, and that they will be of that Great Multitude! And for these we would like to say that never in the long history of man has it been possible for 'old men (and women) to dream dreams and for our young men (and women) to have visions' of surviving the Armageddon WHIRLWIND and of living forever upon this earth! And whether or not you and I live until that day, we have been given the warning, and we owe it to our fellowmen of this generation-and possibly to the young people of the next-to proclaim this warning of the prophets and to point out the way of DELIVER-ANCE! We are sparing no expense in doing so, and we want to invite you- yea, rather plead with you-to help us reach a Great Multitude before that day!

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