

## PROPHETIC

***Your message burns in my heart and bones, and I cannot keep silent.***

(Jeremiah 20:9)

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### ***21-Year Cycle: 2000-2021***

What follows is not a direct result of a specific prophecy from the Lord. Rather, it comes forth from an overview of today's events and trends in light of *prophetic insights* given to me over the last two decades. Most of these insights will not be cited directly; however, there are, in particular, four that serve as anchors—three came prior to the year 2000 and one came in 2003.

*When You See the Structures Crumble (Word)* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p1.pdf>  
*Great Storm is Coming! (Dream)* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p2.pdf>  
*Great Cataclysmic Upheaval is Coming! (Word)* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p3.pdf>  
*September 8, Wednesday (Dream)* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p4.pdf>

Before jumping into the waters of the 21-year cycle, five points need to be made.

#### **Premise**

First, the premise for this proposal is that we are at the end of our present age that has gone on now for 2,000 years, depending on when one places its start date—that is, either the birth or the death of Jesus.

God created in six days, declared His creation "very good", and rested on the seventh; *this is the history of the heavens and the earth* (Genesis 2:4). According to best estimates, 6,000 years have passed since the first Adam, meaning the seventh 1,000-year day is upon us. Some believe the six days of man ended on Tishri 1, September 11, 1999. Based on her lifelong study and research, Bonnie Gaunt (*The Dawn of Earth's Great Millennium*, 2010) claims this is when King Jesus began to sit on the throne of David, meaning it was a spiritual event and not an open manifestation of the kingdom of God to the nations of the earth. If so, then we must be in an interim period; all in accord with God's plan to end our present age and for His Son to return to earth as the rightful heir of the nations. This plan involves *the removing of those things which can be shaken, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain* (Hebrews 12:27).

Given this, it becomes clear that God's way of announcing a new era or a new age involves a heightened level of shaking or climactic event(s)—**great upheavals of things created**. Consequently, we should not be surprised as we look out at the landscape of the world that, as Jerry Lee Lewis once sang, there is "a whole lotta shaking goin' on," especially during the 21<sup>st</sup> century, at the very beginning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium. Shakings on the order of what the world, especially America, has been experiencing since the year 2000 are not new to the earth or humanity, for that matter, as they often repeat in cycles. As Solomon said, *there is nothing new under the sun*. What is different is the time on **creation's clock**, and it is our turn to experience God's cyclical shakings, even great upheavals that portend of a new day, a new age getting ready to dawn, bursting forth like the dawning of the sun each day. Only this time, the bursting forth will be the arrival of the SON! God's age—the age that openly manifests the kingdom of the Son of God's love on earth—is very near. **King Jesus is coming!**

Here is the premise—the world entered into a 21-year cycle of trial, divided into three 7-year cycles, that commenced in the year 2000, at the start of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, which will end in the year 2021. Take note of the three references to the number 21.

I am not proposing that this is the only cycle in play; simply that it is a cycle. It would be pure joy if this were the last cycle before the consummational arrival of our Lord Jesus, but I cannot state so emphatically, at least not at this point. We can only hope we are that close. Besides, we need to view cycles much like Ezekiel's vision of **wheels within wheels** where the spirit of the living beings was in the wheels. Through the spirit of the Lord, God's plan of the ages—ages made through His Son—includes **cycles within cycles**. In other words, when it comes to God's cycles, we must not see them linearly, as if one must stop before another begins, for they can run for various lengths of time, signifying various purposes.

### **Number 7 & Time Cycles**

Second, the 21 years is based on a factor of 7 (7 times 3). Biblically speaking, the number 7 comes from a Hebrew root word meaning *to be full or satisfied, as in having enough*. Thus, it signifies *completion* and *spiritual perfection*. Again, God created in six days, declared it was *very good*, and then rested on the seventh. Without going into the many examples of seven in our world, suffice it to say that seven is a reminder to humanity that there is a creator God behind our world and the universe. Even our weeks are based on seven days. This is not by chance. It is a reminder that seven signifies the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created (i.e., restored) by Elohim. God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it (Genesis 2:3, 4). Looking across a broad spectrum of society, as well as history, we could say that seven is written upon the heart of man.

Throughout a very broad range of life, many have observed that there are repeating 7-year cycles. Back in 2014, there was a lot of talk about 7-year cycles and how we were either in the midst of one or one was about to end and another start. As an example, many were claiming that in 2015 we would see another stock market crash because, starting in 1931, the US has had crashes every seven years: 1931 (Great Depression), 1987 ("Black Monday"), 1994 (worst bond market crash), 2001 (recession; September 17<sup>th</sup>, greatest one-day Stock Market crash), and 2008 (near collapse of the global financial system). The thing is—no such crash occurred in 2015, which emphasizes the need for caution when it comes to predictions, even if there seems to be a cycle in play.

This same caution applies to what I propose; I am not exempt from the same failings.

### **2014-2015**

Third, for some perspective, let's continue with what others were saying heading into 2014-2015.

Starting in 2014, the blogosphere was full of chatter over the four blood moons that occurred in 2014-2015 in conjunction with Passover and Tabernacles. Many prophecies were going forth proclaiming a full spectrum of events from doom and gloom for the world, to great times coming upon the church, to a full-blown outpouring of the holy spirit, to all the above. Of course, I have left out the ones looking for the rapture so they can escape this earth, leaving this ol' world behind before things really heat up. Well, we are still here and to my knowledge expectations were not met. When there is a lot of chatter over a topic,

I have learned to just ask the Lord what He is thinking, so I did. His immediate response was—**"I love you!"** To all this, we could add prophecies over the total solar eclipse of 2017. Life has gone on!

In his book titled, *The Mystery of the Shemitah*, Jonathan Cahn (who, in another book, has provided some fascinating insight into the 9-11 attack) refers to the biblical 7-year cycle, leading up to September 13, 2015. The *shemitah* refers to God's command to ancient Israel that they were to allow the land to rest and to release certain debts every seven years. One of the reasons *Judah* was exiled to Babylon for seventy years was due to their failure to keep this command. By the way, *Israel* had already been cast out of the land and dispersed in Assyria for turning from the Lord to other gods. Jonathan Cahn also highlights the importance of Elul 29, which is the last day of a cycle, the day before Tishri 1 or the *Feast of Trumpets* (*Rosh Hashanah*). The great stock market crash of September 17, 2001 occurred on Elul 29. The next crash that exceeded this one occurred on September 29, 2008, which was Elul 29. Again, many were looking for a repeat of this in September, 2015—but it did not happen.

Digging further; I discovered an article about **metonic cycles** and **embolismal years**. Although I question the author's conclusion, it, nonetheless, offers some further insight into cycles. Metonic cycles, dealing with lunar cycles, are based on the work of the Greek mathematician and astronomer Meton of Athens (5<sup>th</sup> century BC). Embolismal years refer to an extra or second month of Adar (Adar 2) being inserted into the lunar-solar calendar in order to keep the calendar lined up with lunar cycles. The upshot of this study is that 2014-2021 started with an embolismic year (Adar 2) consisting of 86 moons (as opposed to 87 moons) during this 7-year period, ending at Tishri 2021. This study sees this period as a possible completion of Daniel's last seven years of the seventy weeks. I see these years having been completed with Jesus' crucifixion, but the uniqueness of this upcoming cycle makes it rather intriguing, especially the year 2021.

Stephen Jones (God's Kingdom Ministries) offers another perspective on time cycles, as he has discovered a fascinating array of biblically and historically based prophetic time cycles. As he points out in many of his writings, we have come and are coming to the completion of many prophetic time cycles that stretch back 2,520 years (7 x 360), many of which overlap, leading to different start and stop dates for each cycle.

One of his cycles, a 21-year one, started in 1993 and culminated on October 16, 2014, which, in turn, started another 21-year cycle that will end in 2035. As he sees it, the completion of the first 21-year cycle signified that the scepter of Judah (kingship) has been given to the saints of the Most High, as recorded in Daniel 7. The second 21-year cycle has to do with Joseph and the birthright (kingdom). Stephen is more than capable of holding his own ground over what he sees; I leave it to him to explain. (Compared to my proposed cycle, this is an example of a cycle within a cycle.)

By the way, I see the Judah-Joseph connection in a slightly different way, especially in light of Shiloh. See: *Until Shiloh Comes* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/art/art66.pdf>

Finally, in the matter of predictions, I am not being critical of those who have been offering predictions that have fallen short of expectations. My day may come, as well. Many are curious, as am I, and look for signposts of the coming of our Lord Jesus, as am I. Unfortunately, we are all vulnerable to either missing the mark or misinterpreting what we see or pushing it too soon or just being overzealous. But we keep pressing on, knowing the day is coming! One day, it will all fall into place, and we will be face to face with the one who loves us—then, it won't matter if we were right or wrong.

## Hebrew Fall Feasts

Fourth, the Hebrew fall feasts may play into the second coming of Jesus and the transformation of His people. After all, Jesus fulfilled the spring feasts to the letter at His first coming, and there is ample reason to expect Him to do likewise with the fall feasts for His second coming.

The month of Tishri is the 7<sup>th</sup> month of the Hebrew religious calendar and the 1<sup>st</sup> month of the civil calendar. This month is important, for Tishri brings the seven annual feasts to a conclusion. The final three feasts commence with Tishri 1, which is commonly called *Rosh Hashanah* or the *Feast of Trumpets*, and proceed to *Yom Kippur* or the *Day of Atonement* on Tishri 10, and conclude with the *Feast of Tabernacles (Booths)* running from Tishri 15-21, with the last great day or the 8<sup>th</sup> day occurring on Tishri 22. As already pointed out, Elul 29 is the day before Tishri 1 and concludes the previous year. This is important, for we need to think in terms of events transpiring within a year that starts in September-October, depending on the date of Tishri 1, which changes each year on our solar calendar. For example, in 2014, the Hebrew year commenced on September 25, 2014, meaning Elul 29 was September 24<sup>th</sup>. All of this leads to an overlap with our normal yearly calendar.

Of course, practicing Judaistic Jews celebrate these ancient feasts as part of their religion. However, for Christians, assuming these feasts are fulfilled with Jesus' consummate arrival, the meaning transcends ritual—it transcends into life itself for the ecclesia, which is the body of Christ and the true Israel of God. Given the ancient meaning of Tabernacles, this feast best represents putting on spirit-animated bodies, that is, new booths. This is a major topic all unto itself and beyond the intent of this writing, so we will leave it with a word from Paul.

We, however, are free citizens of Heaven, and we are waiting with longing expectation for the coming from Heaven of a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, in the exercise of the power which He has even to subject all things to Himself, will transform this body of our humiliation until it resembles His own glorious body. (Philippians 3:20-21 WNT)

## 21 Years of Trial

Fifth, studying Jacob-Israel's life reveals that he experienced two periods of 21 years that constitute his times of distress or affliction. The first 21 years occurred as he toiled for Laban as the price to have Rachel. The second 21 years occurred as he was separated from his beloved Joseph, who he thought was dead. *Surely, I will go down to Sheol mourning for my son* (Genesis 37:35). His mourning turned into joy when he learned that his son was alive and well and was administering the affairs of Egypt. Joseph, the holder of the birthright, is a type of Jesus, the firstborn of all creation and the firstborn from among the dead (Colossians 1:15, 18), since the firstborn has the right of inheritance (Psalm 2); and both had or have a tunic/robe dipped in blood, signifying a death (one feigned and the other actual) (Genesis 37:31; Revelation 19:13).

Thus, given Jacob-Israel's history, the number 21 has come to signify *Jacob's distress* or, in general terms, *a time of trial*, a pattern being repeated in our day of trial.

Quoting from Stephen Jones' *The Hebrew Letters as Numbers and Word Pictures*:

To write twenty-one in Hebrew, they wrote two Hebrew letters: *kaph-aleph*. These signify giving strength as well as the strength of God's grace to cover sin during our time of spiritual growth. When twenty-one is used in terms of time (as in a 21-year period) it is the number of trouble or distress (*tsarah*), during which time we are in need of God's strength, offered by an open hand. When it is used as a number in itself, it speaks of the end of the distress. Thus, it speaks of blessing at the end.

This reinforces the idea that biblical numbers often have both a positive and a negative side to them, with the negative potentially leading to a positive result when the period in question has been completed. This has tremendous implications if what I am proposing is close to accurate.

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### **21-Year Period Starting in 2000**

I propose—a 21-year period started in the year 2000 that is comprised of three 7-year cycles that go like this—2000 to 2007, 2007 to 2014, and 2014 to 2021, *or* 2001 to 2008, 2008 to 2015, and 2015 to 2022. With September-October as the starting point based on the Hebrew calendar, the cycles may best be viewed as 2000/2001, 2007/2008, 2014/2015, with an endpoint of 2021/2022.

As a side note, a case could be made that this cycle should begin on September 11, 1999, if this is when Man's Day actually ended. Given this, each of the 7-year periods would have to be adjusted by moving everything back a year, making the fall of 2021 the endpoint. This could be an alternative to what I propose that would not materially change the observations regarding events within these three periods, as presented in what follows. However, for the time being, I am going to stick with the above.

This leads to the question: Why an endpoint of 2021-2022? The answer is two-fold.

First, it starts with a dream I had on June 26, 2003 revealing something related to the coming of the Lord will occur on a Wednesday, September 8—a combination that occurs on a repeating cycle of 6 years and 11 years (with leap-year exceptions). From 2003, the years are 2004, 2010, 2021, 2027, 2032, 2038, 2049, etc. (see link cited earlier). As of now, two of these combinations have passed with no *apparent* events occurring during these years that coincide with this date, and we are very close to the next one in 2021.

Here is an excerpt from the writing about this dream.

For those who believe the coming of the Lord will coincide with the Hebrew fall feasts of trumpets and tabernacles (booths), 2021 is rather interesting. Trumpets or Tishri 1 falls on Tuesday, September 7, and Tishri 2 falls on Wednesday, September 8. Looking forward in time, this is as close as it gets (at least in my expected lifetime). Some might say that 2021 doesn't quite line up with the feasts. But let's not be so hasty in our judgment. The Hebrews designated two days for trumpets, since they were looking for the first sliver of the moon. If it were an overcast night, they might have had to wait until the next night to blow the trumpets—thus, Tishri 2. We need to keep in mind *the law of the second order* that is discovered throughout scripture. *He takes away the first in order to establish the second* (Hebrews 10:9). Could we be looking at the second order in our interpretation? Naturally, this only applies if one believes the fall feasts are integral to the Lord's arrival to meet His people in clouds in air as they receive spirit-animated bodies (new booths).

As an aside, 2004 wasn't even close to this; however, 2010 would have worked, since Tishri 1 was on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> (starting the evening of the 8<sup>th</sup>). The only other year that comes close to this, but not exactly (off by a day), is 2032. Some are predicting the coming of the Lord around this time.

An interesting thing about 2021 is that the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of the 2021 fall feasts occurs on September 29, which is a date some believe was Jesus' birth. On the 23<sup>rd</sup> day, Solomon sent the people out rejoicing. A sign of the coming kingdom? A birthday party for all who have been transformed into new creation bodies?

On the twenty-third day of the seventh month [Tishri] he sent the people away to their homes, joyful and glad of heart for the prosperity that the LORD had granted to David and to Solomon and to Israel his people. (2 Chronicles 7:10 ESV [added])

Also, in the year 2000, the starting point of the cycle, Tishri 1 fell on September 29. Thus, we have the 29<sup>th</sup> as bookends of the 21-year period.

Second, the genesis of this period with its three unique cycles came through observation along with many words the Lord gave me during this time that confirm we are in a time of trial based on the judgments of God. The shaking of things created (natural and man's order) is for waking us up and preparing us for the coming of His Son. Our preparation is to know Him and to be like Him. Again, you are encouraged to read my *prophetic insights*, as I call them, for they are part of the foundation of this proposal.

The observation is this—there seems to be a pattern to these three 7-year cycles that starts with fear and dire warnings that leads to an event that may or may not relate to the initial warnings—one that gets our serious attention. In addition, monumental natural disasters occur on the heels of man-made disasters—that is, the crumbling of structures, both visible and invisible.

Let's take a closer look at the three cycles. Keep in mind; events reported to have the greatest impact, especially from the USA perspective, have been selected—but by no means do these even come close to presenting the entire picture. Most nations around the world either share in the same events or have had ones similar to those of the USA. Also, remember, in the larger scheme of world history, most of these are not unique. Again, nothing is new under the sun. What is of most importance in considering these events is that they are occurring at the juncture of history where the sixth and the seventh days meet. As such, some things should be (and are) occurring with greater frequency, intensity, or both, as things created are shaken. This goes along with the word I was given in 1995 about structures crumbling.

### **Cycle #1: 2000/2001—2007/2008**

In 1999, there was great fear and dire predictions about **Y2K**, which never materialized, in spite of all the hype. But, on September 11, 2001, America was shocked by **the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon**. The structures crumbled, and the fear of terrorism hit our shores. To this day, there is mystery surrounding the crumbling of a third building not hit by planes, building #7 (the number itself is rather intriguing). In the aftermath of this attack, Americans were told they had to give up some liberties in order to ensure their national security. This reminds me of a dream I had on April 5, 2012 in which the Statue of Liberty was overcome by a huge frothy wave. How many of our liberties have been washed away since 9-11? Further, this one event led to **two major wars** in which many Americans, as well as citizens of the war-torn countries, were either killed or maimed. The US military has yet to extricate itself from these

regions and, most likely, will not for the foreseeable future—putting further pressure on our burgeoning debt. By the way; Trump has been attempting to bring our troops home but has faced stiff opposition on many fronts.

A little over three years later (mid-cycle), on December 26, 2004, the world experienced one of the worst natural disasters in modern-day history with the **Indonesian 9.2 quake and tsunami**, killing over 230,000 people in 14 countries. In terms of deaths, this ranks seventh of all such disasters since 1900. However, its reach distinguishes it from all the rest. Take note; citizens of 90 countries were killed in the 9/11/01 attack, and citizens of 14 countries were killed in the 12/26/04 natural disaster, both signifying global disasters. Most disasters are regional, affecting localized populations.

Now, let us consider the **tropical cyclones** during this cycle. But before doing so, it is important to note what has transpired from 1900 to 2017. There are many ways to categorize these storms, one of which is to list them according to the cost of damages. During these 117 years, there were 36 tropical cyclones to hit the USA mainland (excludes islands) that have been categorized as the costliest, after accounting for inflation to 2017 dollars. Of these 36 storms, 19 or nearly 53% of them have occurred since 2000, and 10 of these have occurred in cycle #1, totaling roughly \$300 billion in damages. The top two storms (Katrina #1, 2005; Harvey #2, 2017) totaled \$185 billion in damages

The argument that some might make against this statistic is that, as time has gone on, we have been building more and more along our coasts, thus increasing the likelihood of higher damage costs. To a degree, this is true. However, there is one other statistic to take into account, that is, storm intensity. Again, for roughly the same time period, there were 21 (interesting number) listed as the most intense, based on pressure, to form in the North Atlantic. All but two of them were **Cat 5 storms**. 9 (43%) of these hurricanes have occurred since 2000, and 6 of these occurred from 2000-2007. Simply, the bulk of the major cyclones to hit the mainland have occurred at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and we still have over two years to go until the 21-year cycle has been completed. This is all part of the shaking, especially the shaking of the United States.

Returning to cycle #1. **Hurricane Katrina** hit New Orleans on August 29, 2005, killing over 1,800 and flooding major portions of the city, causing about \$160 billion in damages. Through 2017, Katrina is ranked as the costliest hurricane to hit the US mainland since 1900. On October 18, 2005, Hurricane Wilma formed as the most intense tropical cyclone ever recorded in the Atlantic basin through 2018. It caused 62 deaths and \$24 billion in damages; the ninth most costly. Added to this list are hurricanes Ivan, Rita, Charley, Frances, Allison, Jeanne, Isabel, and Dennis—all included in the list of the costliest US cyclones.

## **Cycle #2: 2007/2008—2014/2015**

In 2007, fears and warnings began to surface about various sectors of **the economy and financial institutions**. The next year, starting in September, 2008, the entire **global financial system and economy** was brought to the brink of total collapse and continued to sit on the precipice of collapse for many years. Although not a depression, it produced what is called the **great recession** that lasted well-beyond most recessions. In our area, all construction ground to a stop and did not resume to any degree until 2012.

Again, midway into the cycle, natural disasters hit. On January 12, 2010, **Haiti experienced a 7.0 quake** that literally wiped out the island nation, killing over 300,000, leaving one million homeless, and

destroying 280,000 structures. On February 5-10, 2010, **the worst snowstorms in centuries** hit Washington, DC, the mid-Atlantic region, and the Northeast, being dubbed **snowmagedon**. One storm was likened to a **snow hurricane**. Chicago had a major snowstorm, as well, and a **quake** to boot, all on the same day.

The US was not alone, for on February 26, 2010, **Chile** was hit with an **8.8 quake**, followed by a 6.0 quake in Argentina. **Structures crumbled!** Then, on September 4, 2010 and February 22, 2011, **Christchurch New Zealand** was hit with **7.1 and 6.3 quakes**, respectively. **Structures crumbled!**

Then, on March 11, 2011, the world experienced another one of the worst disasters in modern-day history with the **Great East Japan (Tohoku) 9.0 quake and tsunami**, killing over 18,500 people, and the subsequent **meltdown of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear reactor**. Although not reported much in the American press anymore, the potential threat for catastrophic release of radiation throughout the globe was real, potentially affecting the Japanese population and oceanic food supply. The final chapter of this disaster has not been written. Don't lose sight of the fact that **a nuclear meltdown occurred on the heels of a financial meltdown and both have had global ramifications**. By the way, based on an event I saw in a dream that actually occurred prior to the 2011 quake-tsunami, I believe this disaster may yet have some impact on both Japan and America. Whether it will ever be reported is questionable, at best.

To continue on in this cycle, on May 6, 2011, some of the **worst flooding in the history of the Mississippi River** occurred. On July 5, 2011, a **dust storm hit Arizona**, described as of **biblical proportion**. On August 20, 2011, **Hurricane Irene** formed in the Caribbean and trekked up the US coast to Canada and became the sixth costliest hurricane (\$19 billion) up to that point. On August 23, 2011, a **rare quake hit the US from New York to South Carolina**. The **National Cathedral and the Washington Monument**, both in DC, suffered damage, which I believe was a prophetic sign. To these, we could add a devastating EF5 tornado hitting Joplin, Missouri. To round this out, **Hurricane Sandy**, described as a **superstorm**, hit the Caribbean and the eastern USA in October 2012, causing about \$70 billion worth of damage. Sandy stands as the third costliest tropical cyclone to hit the mainland. This cycle is rounded out with more tornadoes, floods, blizzards, along with major wildfires. The US had them all.

Now, during this cycle, the stage was being set in the US Supreme Court for a monumental ruling in 2015 (the last 7-year cycle). Ever since the legalization of abortion (1973), the process of selecting Supreme Court justices, which is the job of the Senate to approve presidential nominees, has become extremely divisive as one party wants pro-choice (abortionist) justices and the other party wants pro-life (rights of the unborn) justices. During June 2010, under President Obama, the Senate was embroiled in approving a new justice. During June 2010, as I considered what was transpiring in DC, I was given a vision. The following is what I recorded about that day during a Senate hearing for associate justice Kegan.

On June 29, 2010, I was praying about the United States and, frankly, trying to sort through the many things that were happening in the US then, especially on the political and economic front.

I closed my eyes and a vision came to me of the **US Supreme Court building** located in Washington DC. The building was floating down a river, and it was tilted to the right side, as if it were about to sink into the water. It floated out of my sight as it passed behind some other buildings. This occurred while the US Senate was considering the qualifications of the latest nominee for Supreme Court associate justice. The very political process by which justice nominees are vetted is a further



indication of how broken the political system is. It is like children playing in a sandbox as the two parties play their power game while the nominees dance around their questions, avoiding any meaningful scrutiny.

For me, watching the building floating away and sinking into the water is a picture of a failed judicial system that has become political, no longer administering righteous and impartial judgment. It will only get worse as long as Man's Day continues. God's law requires equal and impartial justice for all. Until the kingdom of God begins to take root among the nations, man's justice will continue to be partial and unrighteous and, as we have seen, political. If our political system is corrupt, then we can expect our judicial system to be corrupt, as well. Corruption is like leaven. Once a little leaven takes hold, it rises until it corrupts the whole (1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Galatians 5:9).

(Addendum: At the time, I failed to make the connection to the left side of the building rising up while the right side was sinking. This plays into a major ruling by the court in 2015.)

It seems that during Barack Obama's tenure as president, the LGBTQ-plus movement that had been brewing for some years began to get traction, not only in the US but also in the world. Using the movement's phrase, *it came out*. Going along with this, elsewhere, I wrote:

Although we might focus more on the tangible, that is, physical signs of crumbling, let us not forget that similar events occur in the intangible realm of the abstract, incorporeal, or invisible, such as spirit and soul. Institutions, governments, economics, cultures, and societies, even humanity itself, to name a few, all have intangible qualities that can fall apart, even cease to exist as they once were.

During this period, a significant shift toward **humanistic-based amorality** (not concerned with moral standards and not judged by them; not moral or immoral) openly manifested—an in-your-face shift, so to speak. This is not to say it hadn't been with us, for surely it began decades ago, especially in the 1960s. But there was a noticeable shift to the amoral direction as it demanded everyone's view of themselves and the world be accepted, regardless of its lack of morality or even logic, much of which is a direct frontal assault against God as the creator of all things—the one who sets the rules and specifications for His creation. This shift is based in self as the center and away from God as the center. And, this doesn't even address where Jesus, God's Son, is in all of this, for His name has been thrust out of the national dialogue in large measure (not extinct, but in the shadows).

I recall years ago listening to a pastor who recounted his experience with prayers being offered in public forums. He was asked to pray over a certain event but was told not to mention the name of Jesus. He declined. The point is that the intangible in play here is the soul, the soul of America and the world, for that matter.

We'll come back to this in the next cycle.

### **Cycle #3: 2014/2015—2021/2022**

2014 had the usual natural disasters. But as we have seen, each cycle has begun with some man-made event (crisis, disaster, etc.) with some dire warning or fear attached to it. Something dramatic happened in 2015, something that shocked Washington DC and its political system, striking at the very heart of the

nation. It began on June 16, 2015 with the announcement by **Donald Trump** that he was running for president. To the utter shock of many political pundits and the political establishment, Trump won the nomination of his party and went on to win the election in November, 2016, defeating Hillary Clinton, the one considered guaranteed to win. This one political event was described by some as *seismic* and started a firestorm of sorts that has continued unabated up to the present, with little sign of it abating any time soon. Trump vowed to drain the swamp, but the swamp has fought back with all its might (however one views the swamp). How this battle plays out and what will transpire with the 2020 election has not been written yet, but we can be assured it won't be resolved with a whimper.

The dire warnings came (and continue to do so) from all of Trump's opposition that were and still are incensed over him as president. The warnings/fears have gone from he is a dictator, to he is inept, to he is deranged, to he is demented, to he is going to destroy America, to name just a few accusations thrown at him. Demands for his impeachment began at the outset of him taking office. Analysis of news coverage of Trump reveals that 90% of it is negative.

As I have written elsewhere, the Lord spoke to me on February 10, 2009. I heard: ***Thus, says the Lord, 'I have lifted up a hammer over the United States, and I am about to strike at the very heart of the nation.'*** Scripturally, I was led to Jeremiah 23:29: ***Is not My word like fire? declares the Lord, and like a hammer which shatters a rock?*** I have interpreted this as the political system of the USA, which is the heart of the nation. In 2017, I began to realize the significant fulfillment of this with the election of Trump. See: *Pounding the Fortresses of Man* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p9.pdf>

By the way, this pounding is producing a mental breakdown or derangement among many, especially in the political, entertainment, and journalism arenas, as it seems that, at times, all sensibility and respectful decorum have been thrown out. Of course, Trump is not shy about jumping into the fray, even stoking it, and he is not without responsibility for some of what is happening. Nevertheless, what we are witnessing is unprecedented in modern politics. Is God using this flawed man as His hammer to pound the DC fortresses?

There is more, for from 2014-2017, a new crisis started to brew in Europe with the **mass migration** of people out of Africa and the Middle East that has fundamentally transformed parts of Europe, causing disruptive change that will alter the very social fiber and culture (including religion) of the continent. On the economic/financial front, quantitative easing and zero percent interest rates have failed. Armstrong Economics (the premier leader in trending the global economy and political environment) trended that a **Sovereign Debt Crisis** began around September 2015 that continues to build in the European community. Further, based on their trending, this is expected to collide with a **Monetary Crisis Cycle**. Now, add to all this the failure of socialism and the rise in nationalism, civil unrest, potential terrorist attacks, and the battle over BREXIT, and the EU is like a boiling pot ready to either boil over or explode.

However, this is not restricted to Europe. The US is now facing its own migration crisis (caused by the failures of politicians going back several administrations and congresses). Add to this the burgeoning debt and fears of another financial crisis—even in the midst of what some call a *booming economy*; the battle between capitalism and socialism (not new); the rise in nationalism along with a push-back from globalism; the populist movement that elected Trump, along with the political pounding that has ensued; the potential for civil unrest; the national addiction to opioids and other drugs; the rise of social justice and gender identity movements; a failed justice system that has become politicized and ideologically

divided; the US Constitution being ignored or destroyed for the sake of political power and ideology; to name a few challenges—and like the European situation, our situation is like a boiling pot, as well. Many of the problems the EU faces, especially in the arena of economics, will eventually reach our shores. Our turn is coming for this boiling cauldron, a mixed stew of many challenges, to boil over or explode.

I trust you understand that this assessment of the EU and the US, which has mushroomed during this third cycle, is far too complex to explain in these few sentences. I'm not sure I could adequately do it if I tried, but I believe this is enough to get a sense of the challenges and where we are headed. We can only hope that what will emerge from all this is the kingdom of God with King Jesus openly manifesting Himself to the nations.

Moving on; let us not overlook the many natural disasters that have occurred around the world. There are too many to catalogue, so let us just consider 2017, roughly midway into cycle three. It was dubbed the **costliest year on record for natural disasters in the US, costing around \$306 billion**. These disasters ranged from the usual tornadoes to other severe weather events, massive wildfires, floods, and, of course, hurricanes—Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria each caused a lot of devastation. Harvey stands as the second costliest hurricane to hit the mainland. Maria hit Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands causing \$90 billion in damages; the third most expensive when included with the mainland ones.

Now, as of June 2019, the entire globe is experiencing unheard of weather extremes from extremely high temperatures to unusual cold and snowstorms late in the season, from massive floods to droughts, and this doesn't begin to catalogue what is going on out there. Just consider the middle part of America called the *breadbasket* because of all the grain crops grown there. It is being slammed this year with almost non-stop rains and flooding to the point of farmers being unable to plant crops. Are food shortages going to start appearing around the globe?

By the way; don't get caught up in all the hype about man-made global warming. This is not what's going on. What's going on is a whole lot of shaking of heaven and earth, both the invisible and the visible. Much of it has to do with the sun and electromagnetic fields. The sun goes through cycles, given names like *Maunder* or *Dalton*, where its solar intensity and electromagnetic field weakens (this is occurring in our day); and the earth's magnetosphere also weakens leading to shifting of its poles (a significant shift has been occurring in our day), leading to eventual pole reversal (when? nobody knows!). God has designed the very relationship between the earth, moon, and sun (EMS), and these all come into play in regard to what is occurring with earth's climate and weather patterns, including even volcanic activity that sends large volumes of ash into the atmosphere, blocking out light. Going forward for nearly the next decade the earth may experience weather extremes from hot to cold. Some forecast that we are moving into a period of cooling.

Man-made global warming (remarketed as *climate change*) ignores the creator God and puts man at its center. This is nothing but **the fruit of humanism**.

Do you see the connection between what is going on in the physical realm and what is transpiring in the spiritual realm? Hint: sun to Son! Ignore the sun, then you have no clue about what's going on. Ignore the Son, then you have no clue about what's going on. **Bring the sun and the Son into the picture and your understanding shines as bright as the noon-day sun-Son.**

As if these challenges are not enough, let us not forget the mass shootings that have occurred in America alone. From 1949 to May 2019, there have been **21** (interesting number) **mass shootings** (12 or more killed). Thirteen (62%) occurred since 2000: one during the first 7-year cycle (Virginia Tech; April 2007); five in the second cycle; and seven so far in the third cycle—that is, **a third of the mass shootings since 1949 have occurred from 2015-2019** (and, we still have a ways to go in this cycle). Does this tell us something? It is telling us that the trend has expanded from man-made institutions to **the soul of America**—the implications are far-reaching, since the USA is the current hegemonic power of the world.

To recap, not only are we experiencing the greatest number of costly tropical storms since 2000, but we are also experiencing the greatest number of mass killings during the same period. Wake up America!

Now, returning to the coming out of the LGBTQ movement and the monumental Supreme Court ruling of June 26, 2015 when same-sex marriage was legalized in all fifty states. It took the liberal court of Obama to bring this into the law of the land, which is clearly an attempt to destroy God's natural order of male and female and, along with it, the family that has in large measure already been destroyed. The transgender and gender identity component of this movement is particularly troublesome. Some rightfully argue it is all about love and tolerance. No argument there. But, at the heart of all this is the rejection of the Creator who set the natural laws of humanity that actually define what it means to be human and to love as human, according to God's love. We were created, both male and female, to be fully human in the image of Elohim, not to be redefined by man in ways that are contrary to this image, which is tantamount to creating a god in man's image. Of course, all of this did not start under Obama; nevertheless, he put the weight of his office behind it, as if watering its roots. Proof: The White House was lit up with the movement's rainbow colors when the ruling came down from the bench.

See: *Sodom and the Rainbow* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/tuc/tuc650.pdf>

Even corporations are getting on the bandwagon in their ads, slogans, and logos. At a recent pride event in NYC, a corporation gave out special-edition packages (not sold in stores) of one of the most iconic children's cookies in America—Oreos—to show how inclusive the corporation is. The package stated: *Share your pronouns with pride*. Of course, some of these actions are simply marketing ploys to bolster the bottom-line of the company, as if these movements consist of a large percentage of the population. But fear also enters into the equation as boycotts are organized, websites censored, and lawsuits filed against those who do not line up with this movement.

This is not all. Laws sanctioning abortions up to full gestation have been celebrated. Most recently, a New York City skyscraper was lit up to celebrate a state abortion law advancing the killing of babies (after birth). Add to this the revelation in 2015 that body parts of aborted babies were being harvested for profit. How far we have fallen as a nation!

Man was created to image Elohim who is love and gives life. What we see transpiring in our day is contrary to the image of our creator God. We have to wonder if a growing number of people have degenerated into something less than human, into something evil. Are we travailing, even groaning, in our soul and spirit over these things? We are in a battle for the soul of America on many fronts.

Of course, the answer to the soul-life is the spirit, for the spirit gives life—the spirit of the one who is life! **His name is Jesus!** There is no other name in heaven or on earth, or in this age or in the ages to come.

## Summary

As we look back over the three 7-year cycles, the last of which is still in progress, we see that the first one began with a **terrorist attack** that led to many other attacks occurring around the world. Fear! The reaction of government has been to erode personal liberty for the sake of security. Punctuated within this cycle were natural disasters unlike any we have seen in modern history. The second cycle began with a **global financial crisis** the likes of which we have never seen. Fear! It didn't lead to a great depression, but it brought the world to the brink of a banking collapse and brought us into a great recession. A new storm cloud is rising in this realm that could be worse than the last one. Again, punctuated within this cycle were a good number of devastating natural disasters. The third cycle began with a **seismic political upheaval** that continues to rock DC, as well as divide the nation. Fear! Punctuated midway in this is the costliest collection of natural disasters in US history. Add to this **the global migration crisis** that is growing even at the US-Mexico border (not fake news but a real crisis created by politicians of many stripes). It is safe to conclude that each cycle has intensified over the previous one, incorporating more fronts, and the one we are currently in seems to be intensifying all the more since its commencement.

As we move toward the conclusion of this cycle, it is becoming more apparent that there is a **crisis of the soul of America** (and, perhaps the entire world) that can be traced back to not honoring and hallowing our Creator and the one through whom God created, His Son, who is the firstborn of creation.

See: *Depraved Minds in Our Day* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/art/art69.pdf>

What has been presented is only the tip of the iceberg, so to speak. There are far too many examples that could be cited, and I am sure I left out some other crises. Nevertheless, the ones presented should be enough to make the point that we are in a 21-year cycle of trial that is upsetting the world's order (natural and man-made) through extremes. I leave the reader to fill in the gaps. If this trend holds, I submit that we are heading for **the perfect storm** that will manifest sometime in 2021, when an intensity will be reached on all the fronts presented and perhaps more, as things created are shaken.

All of this raises a few questions. **What will 2021 look like?** If and when will it peak? What is on the other side of 2021? If this 21-year period is a trial, which evidence to date indicates, then what is the positive outcome of it? **Will the Lord's people awaken to the anointing they have had all along within them? Is the presence of King Jesus closer than most realize? Will Wednesday, September 8, answer these questions, in part or in whole? The Lord knows!**

It is time to set our hearts on God's answer to all of man's challenges. **His name is Jesus! Come Lord Jesus!**

These things have I spoken to you that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have distress. Do not fear! Cheer up and have courage! **I have conquered the world.** (from Jesus' words)

**Postscript (September, 2019)**

A brother in Christ recently sent me a reminder of something I had forgotten regarding 120 years.

First of all, the number 120 signifies *a probationary period awaiting the outpouring of the holy spirit*. Using language that I have used of late; I would say *awaiting the anointing to come forth from the body of Christ*. We have the holy spirit in us already. What we need is to awaken to what we have had all along but have suppressed. According to John, we have the anointing.

See: *Pray for the Anointing* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/prophetic/p15.pdf>

In scripture, we discover the number 120 in relation to Noah. Just prior to the flood, the Lord said: *My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless, his days shall be **one hundred and twenty years*** (Genesis 6:3). Although man's lifespan gradually diminished, and this seems to be the current upper limit for us today (although few even achieve to this level), it is more likely that the Lord was referring to a word that He spoke to Noah and his grandfather Methuselah, as recorded in the *Book of Jasher* (Joshua 10:13; 2 Samuel 1:18).

Speak ye, and proclaim to the sons of men, saying, Thus saith the Lord, return from your evil ways and forsake your works, and the Lord will repent of the evil that he declared to do to you, so that shall not come to pass. For thus saith the Lord, **Behold I give you a period of one hundred and twenty years**; if you will turn to me and forsake your evil ways, then will I also turn away from the evil which I told you, and it shall not exist, saith the Lord. And Noah and Methuselah spoke all the words of the Lord to the sons of men, day after day constantly speaking to them. (Jasher 5:7-9).

Clearly, the Lord had set a 120-year probationary period for mankind in the days of Noah. Could we be in the same type of period today? Has the Lord given the world, especially America, 120 years to forsake its evil ways? Perhaps!

Now, counting back from 2021 brings us to 1901. It could be said that the modern *pentecostal-charismatic movement* first began to manifest in January 1901 when an eighteen-year old student of Charles Parham began speaking in tongues. In 1906, the spirit of the Lord began to move in what is now famously called the *Azusa Street Revival*. Regardless of one's view of the fruit of this movement today, could this have been the Lord's way of calling us to repentance and turning us back to Him? If so, have we done so? Only the Lord knows, but it appears we have fallen far short of this calling. Is a flood of a different nature coming in 2021? Food for thought.

By the way, this same brother offered me another observation. Starting in 1221 when the crusaders from Rome were offered Jerusalem, each 120-year cycle since then has been punctuated by significant events. Going back 120 years from 1901 is 1781, the year the British were decisively defeated, leading to the end of the *American Revolutionary War*. Another cycle within a cycle?

For other thoughts about America, cycles, and the year 2021...

See: *America—Wake Up!* — <http://www.kingdomandglory.com/art/art67.pdf>