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WHY THEY HATE US

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ON THE RISE



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There is a growing sentiment of anti-Americanism around the world. U.S. power, prosperity and prestige, symbolized by the American flag, are being targeted for complete destruction by those who hate this nation and what it stands for.

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WHY THEY HATE US

PART ONE: GOD'S HAND REMOVED

The United States, Britain and the other English-speaking nations of the West have enjoyed incredible riches, to the point of enriching other countries of the world. Yet, there is a flagrant—and intense— increase in world hatred of those nations, especially the U.S. It is, in fact, almost popular to feel this way and to express it loudly. Why is this? Can anything be done about it? When and how will it end?

THE UNITED STATES of America—the land of freedom and justice, the land of opportunity, and the land of plenty. It is also this country, along with its allies, that won the Cold War, and liberated both Europe and Asia. Yet, today, the U.S. is loathed and scorned! Many in the world now roll their eyes in disgust at the very mention of this great country's name. Others curse, spit on the ground and burn its flag. And still others commandeer jet airliners and fly them into buildings, killing thousands of its citizens. They do this all because they hate it—but why?

Most no longer consider what the world would be like if the “other side” had won World War II. However, according to God's Plan, that was not meant to happen at that time. But nonetheless, the world now barely pays lip service to the American lives sacrificed to liberate two continents and a world from fascist aggression.

Instead, most of the world prefers

to mock and laugh, particularly at the United States, at every turn. There is a desperate and increasing worldwide loathing of this country and its people. Very soon, the hate will turn to war, as it always does. But this time, the attacks against America will not be limited to Islamic extremists. In fact, most of the world will witness the downfall of the United States, Britain, Canada, Australia and the other modern-day descendants of ancient Israel, and will figuratively “kick them while they are down.” The mocking and laughing will continue, but thankfully, this punishment will only last for a short time.

This report will explain why much of the world despises America and, to a lesser degree, Britain, Canada and the other primarily English-speaking nations of the world. For most Americans, this hatred is extremely perplexing—“Why does the world hate us so much? What have we done?” And indeed, at first glance, the issue can be difficult to understand. After all, despite certain radical views, the United States is not a Nazi or Communist regime.

We will explain why and how this hatred will increase in the very near future, eventually leading to war. This is all part of a lesson that God is allowing

the modern-day descendants of Israel, and all of mankind, to learn—that living life his own way instead of God's Way will only result in great pain, misery and suffering.

A Dying Superpower

Without a doubt, the United States of America has been the world's most powerful single nation in all history. At the end of World War II, America suddenly found itself with territories, influence and resources stretching around the world, and essentially unchallenged. Some today still consider the U.S. a superpower. Others argue that it is an empire. And if one were to compare America's worldwide military, economic, diplomatic and social influence with that of the British and Roman empires, then it could be referred to as such.

However, the riches and might of the U.S. are all a result of blessings from God—blessings that were unconditionally promised to America's forefather, Abraham (see Gen. 22:16-17), as a result of his obedience. It is not a result of what the American people have accomplished—this is one important lesson that they have tragically forgotten. There was a time near the beginning of this country's existence when many realized and acknowledged that its many great blessings must have come from a higher power. Yet, most Americans walk the world with stunning pride and arrogance, unconcerned with how others view them (until recently) and completely unaware of what is to come.

America's power and abundance alone generates hatred. Other countries are simply *jealous* of its success, wealth and power. Jealousy drives lust;

lust drives hate; hate leads to war (Jms. 4:1-3). But in the past, during the “good times,” American political, diplomatic and social status and influence flourished around the world. As long as the good times funded by America continue, then all the friends remain. But as soon as the U.S. is no longer willing or able to “throw the party,” the friends will begin to slowly disappear, with some becoming outright enemies (Jer. 4:30; Lam. 1:2; Ezek. 23:9, 22). (To learn more, carefully read our book *AMERICA AND BRITAIN IN BIBLE PROPHECY*.)

In addition to the simple jealousy of America’s blessings, hatred is also fueled by the excessive pride and arrogance that is so often associated with its national and individual characteristics. Again, this would have been endured or even ignored as long as America was funding the “celebration.” But now that God is removing His blessings from America, the parties are over. The arrogance is that much more obvious, and therefore, the U.S. is even *more* despised and hated. One of the purposes of God’s punishment on the United States is to “break the pride of [her] power” (Lev. 26:19).

The U.S. as “World Police”

Most nations of the world (the so-called “international community”) have often looked to the United States in recent decades as the “world policeman.” This is a role that has been accepted only with hesitation by the U.S.—those in the know (i.e., the military generals) understand, at least partially, the futility of such endeavors. However, social and political pressure on *any* U.S. administration is generally enough to convince them to use their resources to enforce whatever is the current definition of international law.

Whether it is the recent tragedies in Somalia and Bosnia, older conflicts such as Korea and Vietnam, or even the seemingly never-ending Middle East crisis, almost every time there is a crisis, the world looks to the U.S. to restore, enforce and invest in some

sort of “peace.” To a certain degree, this is because the U.S. would have been the only possible choice for such action. But it has also become, on the part of most other nations of the world, an issue of national laziness and political correctness: “Let the Americans fix the problem. They have the money and the boys willing to sacrifice their lives for someone else’s problems. Besides, it would be the right thing to do.” To an extreme, it is now becoming an opportunity for the rest of the world to watch America suffer and fail. And as God removes His hand, this will become more evident in anything—and everything—that they do.

America and Her Allies

There are a few nations that are often considered to have a “special relationship” with the United States—namely Britain, Canada, Australia, Israel and a few other English-speaking countries of the “western world.” They are to a large degree treated on the world stage as one and the same, as a sort of permanent alliance. Granted, on occasion, one or more countries may, for domestic political reasons, voice objection to America’s direction (e.g., Canada during the last Iraq war), but in general, they are indeed one and the same, and will stand and fall together. They are, after all, historically related and are most certainly socially and strategically integrated.

Although to a lesser degree at this point, these countries are also hated for their wealth and success, and because of their “special relationship” with the United States. Osama bin Laden has, for example, issued statements against each of the above, specifically, in al-Qaeda’s war against the “Jews and Crusaders” (*BBC News*, November 12, 2002).

The “war on terror” has already brought these nations closer together. World events in the very near future will continue to do so, thereby escalating the rest of the world’s hatred of all of them! These countries will stand and fall together during the next huge world calamity, the Great Tribulation (Matt. 24:21). The role that Osama

bin Laden and the Islamic terrorists will play is uncertain. However, Bible prophecy shows that, as He did with ancient Israel, God will use the modern counterpart of Assyria (the same nation, located in Europe) leading a United States of Europe, to administer the punishment. But we will address this in greater detail later.

Hypocrisy

Another dangerous and condemning aspect of being a superpower and playing the role of “world police” is hypocrisy. Obviously, the United States, as the primary liberator of Europe in 1945 (and the prosecutor of that war’s crimes) and the main proponent for similar engagements around the world since then, has taken many opportunities to tout its vision of morality and judgment.

This has been most evident in recent months and years, as the U.S., Britain and their “coalition of the willing” dealt with the regime of Saddam Hussein in Iraq. President Bush was confident in his decision because he believed it was “the right thing to do,” and that any people would prefer to live under a democracy. And so, the rallying cry was “freedom and justice” for the Iraqi people. The U.S. and its allies were invading as liberators and giving back to the people what had been taken from them for so long—their country and their freedom. However, in the heat of battle, and in the ensuing resistance, the right to just, decent incarceration for some Iraqis was compromised. America saw itself in a mirror and was, but just for a moment, horrified.

Americans often proclaim to be acting in the best interest of the world—for peace and safety—and, to some degree, their intentions are good. However, they fail to consider the sad state of their own lives. They fail to stop for a moment and look into that mirror to really see the grim conditions that America, Britain, Canada and the other Western nations face today: widespread addiction to alcohol, drugs and illicit, perverted sex; dysfunctional families and broken

homes; exploding immorality; rampant homosexuality; pleasure seeking; and near financial bankruptcy. If only the American people would see this, they would not be so proud and arrogant. They would not be so quick to take it upon themselves to enforce their misguided “morality” on others.

The U.S. badge of honor has been tarnished. The entire world now doubts America’s best intentions and even its ability to implement them.

Every move they make now seems to end in near disaster. And all the while, anti-American sentiment increases.

The Bible reveals the peoples of America and Britain descended from Israel’s son Joseph. Notice this stunning prophecy: “Joseph[’s]...branches run over the wall [our peoples have expanded the world over]: the archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, *and hated him*” (Gen. 49:22-23).

God foretold this exploding hatred 4,000 years ago, and this is covered in great detail in *AMERICA AND BRITAIN IN BIBLE PROPHECY*. This report will continue to explain *why* such hatred exists.

Man needs to stop and realize that his way will not work—that it will only bring misery, illness and death. The world needs to seek and implement God’s will, and understand and live His Way. □

PART TWO: SQUANDERED BLESSINGS

FOR YEARS, American children were taught that they were blessed to live in the greatest nation on earth. At one time, even most American adults had at least a vague understanding of this concept. Unfortunately, such thinking is rare today, and even less understood. British, Canadian and Australian children would have been taught similar lessons about the peace, abundance and prosperity of their own countries. Some of America’s founding fathers understood where their blessings came from—not from their own hands, but rather from Almighty God!

Abraham Lincoln, the sixteenth American President, said in a January 27, 1838 address, “We find ourselves in the peaceful possession, of the fairest portion of the earth, as regards extent of territory, fertility of soil, and salubrity of climate... We... found ourselves the legal inheritors of these fundamental blessings. We toiled not in the acquirement or establishment of them...”

In proclaiming a “National Day of Fasting and Prayer” (March 30, 1863), President Lincoln also said, “It is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God...and to recognize

the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord... We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God.

“We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!

“It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.”

George Washington and Thomas Jefferson made similar statements. Can you imagine such proclamations being made in today’s world? Whole societies would laugh and mock—even Americans would laugh and mock! Yet, Lincoln’s words are, in fact, even more applicable to the United States of the twenty-first century.

That understanding has long since disappeared—replaced in recent decades by rampant immorality,

extreme pride and arrogance, and endless greed. Gone are the days of any semblance of thanksgiving, modesty and humility in America. Yet, in great hypocrisy, America claims to know the right way—or at least the *best* way—to live, and insists that others around the world would or should want to live the same. This fuels the hatred of America for some, such as Islamic extremists and some European nations, where the hatred is much deeper. It has become acceptable and even popular to denounce America without reason.

Benefactors to the World

Prior to 1800, America was a very young country, and Britain was only equal to several other colonizing powers. But between the 1750s and 1850s, Great Britain’s population exploded, jumping from 7.7 to 20.7 million. London became the financial capital of the world, and both nations were poised to lead the world—all as a result of the blessings unconditionally promised to America and Britain’s forefather, Abraham. Beginning in 1800, and continuing for approximately the next two centuries, first Great Britain, and later the United States, came to dominate the world in many ways—industrially, commercially, diplomatically and militarily. In the years that followed World War II, both Britain and the U.S. controlled the majority of the world’s gold, sea gates (e.g., Suez Canal, the Straits of Gibraltar, Cape of Good Hope, Cape Horn, the Straits of Hormuz, Singapore,

the Panama Canal, Malta and Hong Kong), oil, steel, and electricity production, as well as many other resources.

The blessings of Britain and the United States and the effect that they would have on the rest of the world are described in Micah 5:7-8: “And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass...”

In Genesis 22:17-18, God says, “That in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply your seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in your *seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed...*”—and indeed they have been!

In 1947, U.S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall unveiled what would be called the “Marshall Plan.” Over the next five years, \$13 billion of aid was given to Britain, France, Italy and what was then West Germany. The United States has, in fact, been the largest contributor of foreign aid in the world since World War II ended (*Microsoft Encarta Encyclopaedia*, “Foreign Aid,” 1993-2000). It gives aid primarily to developing countries in order to assist in projects such as improving agriculture and rural development, health care, population planning, child survival, and economic enterprise.

Since World War II, the United States has provided assistance to more than 100 countries. Interestingly, since the break-up of the Soviet Union, Russia and Ukraine have been among the top recipients of American foreign aid. From the online version (<http://quesdb.cdie.org/gbk/>) of the U.S. Agency for International Development [USAID], “U.S. Overseas Loans and Grants, Obligations and Loan Authorizations” (a report commonly known as “The Greenbook”), we can see the billions of dollars that the U.S. has given to the world since 1962 (see informational graphic on next page).

And yet, America is still—and increasingly—hated. Yes, the U.S. has given, but it has mostly given to GET.

And in recent years, it has become politically less popular in America to give aid to foreign nations. For example, Egypt is a large recipient of U.S. aid, yet does little to support American foreign policy and interests in the Middle East. Saudi Arabia has historically been considered a strong ally of the U.S., having received much economic and military support. But Saudi Arabia has recently given birth to religious extremists such as Osama bin Laden and the majority of the terrorists involved in the September 11th attacks. As described in part one of this report, the so-called “party” thrown by the United States is over. The former “lovers,” as Bible prophecy describes national alliances and treaties, now *despise* the U.S., and seek to take American lives! God’s hand is being withdrawn from the modern-day nations of the House of Israel—and along with it, the “friendship” and “respect” that so many other nations have given them is turning to hatred.

Squandered Blessings

The peoples of the U.S., Britain, Canada, Australia and others of the Western world have been showered with many blessings. But as Luke 12:48 indicates, “...for unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required...”

These nations have squandered their blessings and forgotten the SOURCE of those blessings. They have used them to further their lives of greed and pleasure-seeking. Alcohol and drug abuse, and now even food abuse, are unbridled like never before! Los Angeles, New York City, and Toronto are havens of rampant pornography and sexual perversity. The modern “good life” requires one to live near financial bankruptcy. Strong, traditional families have all but disappeared, and have been replaced by broken, dysfunctional—and even perverse—so-called family “units.”

(You may wish to read our many other trend reports, specifically *The ALCOHOL EPIDEMIC*, *The Tragedy of DRUG ABUSE* and *The IMMORALITY EXPLOSION!*)

Almost completely absent from man’s civilization is the concept of “right and wrong.” Political correct-

ness now stands firmly in its place. It is no longer acceptable to instruct a child, or any person for that matter, regarding right and wrong behavior, and right and wrong “lifestyles.”

Homosexuality—even adults having sex with children—is simply considered a “choice.” Individual liberties and desires rule the day, flying in the face of what the wisest man who ever lived, King Solomon, had to say in Proverbs: “There is a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death” (14:12).

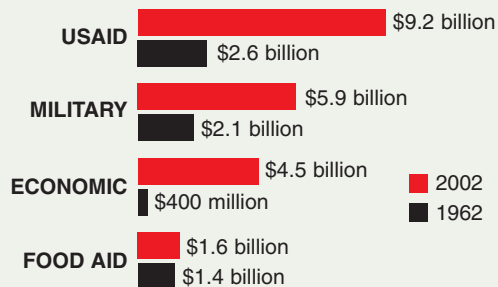
America and Britain’s rampant greed and immorality also fuels this hatred. Islamic extremists like Osama bin Laden refer to them as “the Great Satan” and “the little Satan.” They observe the way Americans live and their hypocrisy in trying to control the lives of others. Bin Laden’s infamous 1998 “fatwa” contained the following: “First, for over seven years the United States has been occupying the lands of Islam in the holiest of places, the Arabian Peninsula, plundering its riches, dictating to its rulers, humiliating its people, terrorizing its neighbors, and turning its bases in the Peninsula into a spearhead through which to fight the neighboring Muslim peoples.”

America wants the world to adopt its ways—mainly its politics. However, the whole world sees the great hypocrisy of the way in which America lives. It also watches the ugly spectacle of the U.S. Presidential election—with opponents slandering, attacking and mocking each other in a race to become the “most powerful man on earth.” The candidates trumpet what they believe is “right” and “good” for the country, mostly in an attempt to win the election, but with little emphasis on true leadership.

Most of the world observes America and Britain’s riches, arrogance and pride, and are driven to loathe them. Gone is any semblance of humility and thankfulness that would have made the *use* of these riches tolerable to nations less blessed. Of course, there is an element of jealousy and ungratefulness in those nations. But America and Britain, having forgotten the Giver of *their*

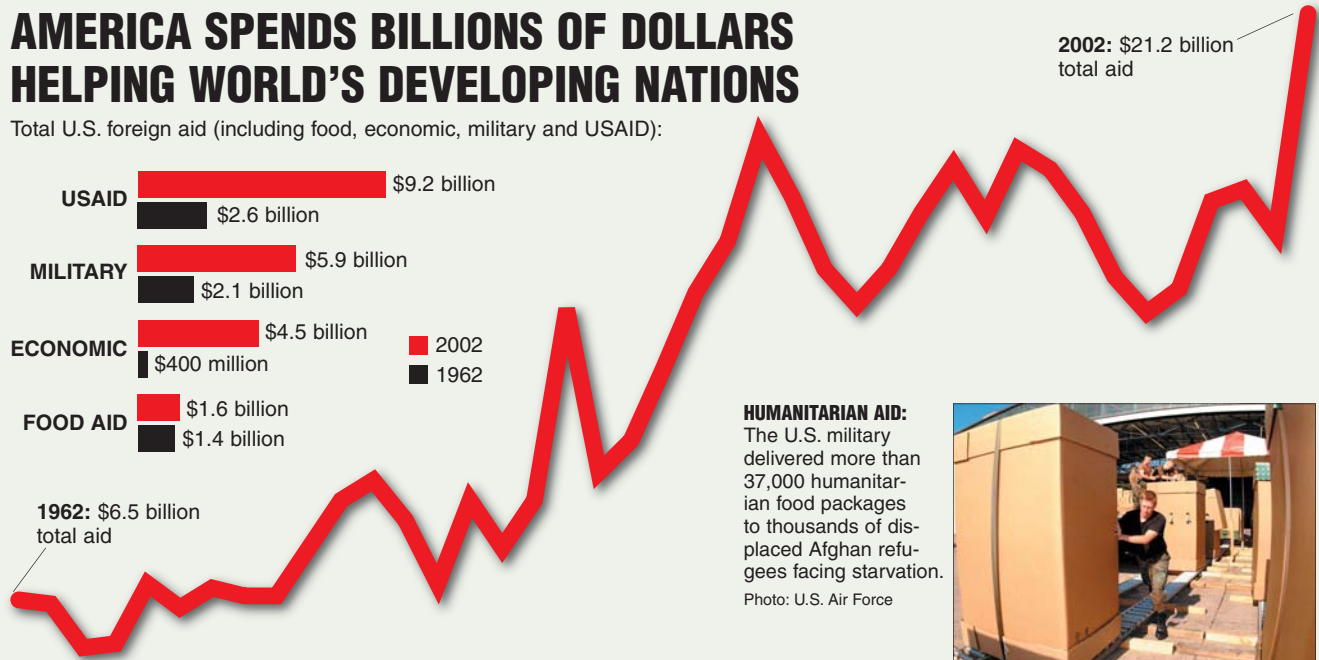
AMERICA SPENDS BILLIONS OF DOLLARS HELPING WORLD'S DEVELOPING NATIONS

Total U.S. foreign aid (including food, economic, military and USAID):



1962: \$6.5 billion total aid

2002: \$21.2 billion total aid



HUMANITARIAN AID: The U.S. military delivered more than 37,000 humanitarian food packages to thousands of displaced Afghan refugees facing starvation.
Photo: U.S. Air Force



PROVIDING CLEAN WATER: U.S. marines help fill barrels with fresh water for citizens of Djibouti, whose water supplies were flood damaged.
Photo: U.S. Marine Corps



COMBATING DISEASES: A U.S. Air Force medical technician immunizes a Chadian girl during a humanitarian mission there.
Photo: U.S. Air Force

U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE: THE ROLE OF USAID

In 1961, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) was established to unify already existing U.S. aid efforts in order to more effectively offer direct support and economic assistance to the world's developing nations.

For example, over the past year, the U.S. government has been proactive in dealing with the current crisis in the western Sudanese province of Darfur. USAID has deployed field staff to Sudan and eastern Chad to assess the humanitarian situation in Darfur.

■ To date, the U.S. Government has provided \$109.4 million in humanitarian assistance to Darfur and \$25.2

million in humanitarian assistance to eastern Chad. During a June 3rd donor conference in Geneva, Switzerland, it was announced that the U.S. will pledge an additional \$188.5 million to Darfur.

■ On June 24th, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution that will send \$95 million in emergency humanitarian assistance to the region.

■ Since February 2003, USAID has provided nearly \$21.4 million to U.N. agencies and non-governmental organizations for emergency health, water and sanitation, agriculture, food security, shelter, logistics and coordination activities.

■ Since October 2003, USAID has provided nearly \$82.9 million to the World Food Program for Darfur for 86,700 metric tons of food commodities.

■ As of July 8th, USAID has delivered a total of 9,570 rolls of plastic sheeting, 157,500 blankets, two water purification systems, and 600 water containers via 21 airlifts to Darfur. USAID's contribution of plastic sheeting will provide shelter for approximately 602,910 beneficiaries. The total value of the commodities provided to-date, including transportation costs, is approximately \$4.6 million.

Source: www.usaid.gov



■ **HELPLESS GIANT:** In spite of America’s awesome military might, terrorists were still able to bring down the twin towers of the World Trade Center—symbols of this nation’s great financial wealth.

blessings, revel in *their* power and prosperity, virtually taunting the rest of the world—further fueling world hatred of them.

**Once the Greatest Generation—
Now the Wretched Generation**

In the early years of the twentieth century, the United States was still a young country. It was a nation that had been very recently forged from very dramatic events: the colonization of North America, the Revolutionary War (1775-1783), the War of 1812 and the Civil War (1861-1865). France gave the U.S. the Statue of Liberty in commemoration of their alliance during the Revolutionary War. Formally dedicated in 1886, the statue became an international symbol of freedom, as about 16 million immigrants passed under her torch from 1892 to 1954. America had become the destination of choice. This was the land of opportunity, a country where great men could emerge from little more than hopes and dreams.

Ironically, consider today’s animosity between the two countries.

Prior to World War I, the U.S. was still primarily a rural, agricultural nation—but that was about to quickly change. John Rublowsky wrote, in his

1970 book *After the Crash – America in the Great Depression*, “If America had anything after the war ended in 1918 it was these two qualities. Hadn’t we beat the enemy without half trying? Hadn’t our economy supplied the Allies with more war material than the world had ever seen? Wasn’t this same economy intact and ready to produce even more for an abundant peace? The answer in all cases was, yes!” And indeed it was, as America soared to great prosperity in the 1920s.

During the Great Depression, Americans and the image of America were further forged through years of perseverance. A generation was born and reared on hunger, humility and hopefulness. There were numerous stories of mothers with 65 cents rearing four children while the father was in the city desperately looking for work. One such example is described in T.H. Watkins’ book, *The Great Depression – America in the 1930s*. It is an excerpt from a letter to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt dated February 28, 1935: “...we are getting tired of being so termed [the “dirty bunch”]...We do not dare to use even a little soap when it will pay for an extra egg, a few more carrots for our children, pale and woebegone

they look...” Author Anna Yeziarska describes one final example: “men who hadn’t had a job for years fondled five and ten-dollar bills with the tenderness of farmers rejoicing over a new crop of grain” (*Red Ribbon on a White Horse*). These Americans would grow up to become what Tom Brokaw called “The Greatest Generation.”

Consider what that time was like, what people were like then, and contrast it with today. For example, a letter from a Robert Cromer in Mr. Brokaw’s *An Album of Memories – Personal Histories from the Greatest Generation* described the following:

“Dear Mr. Brokaw: I went to war as a replacement, in the 309th Infantry Regiment of the 78th Division. My youth was snatched away from me when, at age eighteen, I went into combat and was forced to grow up overnight...Combat was terrible and I lost many friends in battle, and yet I think that ours was one of the most fortunate of all generations. We were privileged to grow up in a time when honor, truth, loyalty, duty and patriotism were real and meant something. What made the generation great? We were simply a product of our times. Growing up in the Depression was not a great honor, but it was a classroom that taught us to be independent and innovative...The Depression was a leveler too. I grew up in what was considered a middle-class family—by today’s standards we would be considered poor, but nobody came around to tell us so. Everyone was in the same boat, and extended families helped each other...There were many people who had much less than we did, but they never let on and we never knew. The community sort of stuck together and family was very important. Parents were role models...I never thought of ‘me first’ or ‘do your own thing’ and neither did anyone else...”

Now compare that generation with today’s generation. The concepts of honor, truth and duty have all but disappeared from every facet of American life—from the individual and community, to business and government.

How important is the family in today's America? It is being attacked from every angle, through such things as abortion, divorce, feminism and alternative lifestyles. Strong fundamental marriage and basic parenting are essentially lost institutions.

The entire economic and social fabric of America today is based on the concept of "me first." The nation is in the middle of a "war on terror," struggling with economic problems, and is deeply divided politically and socially. All the while, citizens are encouraged to continue to live their lives as normal as possible—to spend, spend, spend—to look after "me first." When truthfully considered, especially in light of the "greatest generation," we are living today in the "wretched generation."

Notice the following insightful observation: "The images many around the world have of America are derived from watching and listening to the movies, shows and music that Hollywood exports around the world (one of our leading exports, by the

way). Overwhelmingly, America is depicted as a materialistic, self-indulgent, irreligious, licentious nation concerned only with the modern day equivalents of bread and circuses—sex, drugs, luxuries, and violence.

"A Los Angeles op-ed shortly after 9/11 pointed out how this imagery harms America. The op-ed reported that public opinion surveys around the world characterize Americans as overbearing, sexually immoral, materialistic and prone to violence. Since many of these people have never been to America and do not come across many Americans, they develop their impressions largely from Hollywood.

"Terrorism experts agree: licentious imagery tempts and enrages Muslims around the world. Satan is associated with temptation in Islamic theology. Muslims are assaulted by imagery which offends them and while they live in poverty, Americans live in apathetic opulence" (*americanthinker.com*, "Hollywood: The Imperial City").

The United States of America *was* great. But this was a great destiny ful-

filled by blessings from God. America now has lost all sense of where it has come from. There is no more gratefulness, humility, or respect for others—and so America is hated.

God has removed His hand of blessings and protection from the U.S., Britain and the other modern-day descendants of ancient Israel. According to God's Plan, as revealed in Bible prophecy, these nations will be punished because they have forsaken Him and His Way. As promised, God will "break the pride of your power" and "make your heaven as iron [drought], and your earth as brass [famine]" (Lev. 26:19).

This is beginning to happen right now! The current tremendous hatred of America and Britain is only a part of it. And yet, most dismiss that hatred as some sort of "trans-Atlantic rift"—a temporary disagreement that will eventually be overcome. But this hatred goes *much deeper* than that, especially in Europe—it is, in fact, the kindling that will start a *much larger* fire. □

PART THREE: A EUROPEAN EPICENTER

WHEN CONSIDERING the intense hatred of the U.S., most consider the Muslim world the primary source. Some look to an old enemy like Russia, which is now reverting to its Soviet-era-like posture. Still others look to a possible new enemy such as China, which sees itself as a potential world superpower.

Very few, however, give much thought to Europe. Yet, it is this continent that now has a simmering hatred that should be most disturbing. It is this continent that can replace America as China's primary source of trade, finances and technology and, in return, make use of China's great production capacity

(e.g., to build an army). It is this continent that can replace America as the holder of the currency in which oil can be traded. It is this continent that can (again, at least initially) ally itself with Russia in order to make use of their nuclear arsenal and dominate the world. It is this continent that has access to the socio-religious influence and power provided by the Roman Catholic Church. It is this continent that is already now an empire looking for an emperor—and it will soon receive one.

Some may even acknowledge the above as "possible," but shrug it off by insisting that, despite recent events, Europe as a whole has always been, and will always be, an ally of the United States. Most feel that the European and American societies and economies are

too similar and integrated for one to ever allow hatred to grow to the point of war. Yet, as we will see, God's Word states otherwise!

Again, most believe that there is only a temporary "rift" between Europe and America—that, somehow, this rift will be repaired in due time. To the contrary, the rift will only continue to widen and deepen. The hatred that is now simmering will eventually explode, bringing a level of violence and destruction that the world has never seen before.

Betrayal and Isolation— the Misnamed "Trans-Atlantic Rift"

The U.S.-led war in Iraq brought quick and great change to the relationship between Europe and the United States. While the political front for the European anti-war movement had been Franco-German, in early 2003 William

Safire reported in *The International Herald Tribune* that it had actually all been by German design. France was apparently all but ready to deploy troops and its aircraft carrier to the Persian Gulf, when, quite suddenly, they seemed to do an about-face. It appears that Mr. Schröder made an offer to Mr. Chirac that he simply could not refuse: to re-ignite the Franco-German motor and control all of Europe. In return, France had to turn its back on promises to the U.S. in regard to the coming war on Iraq. France had previously told U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell that no second U.N. resolution would be necessary. Quite suddenly at that time, France surprisingly threatened to veto any second resolution. The U.S. had insisted all along that no second resolution was necessary. It appeared that Germany's intention was to cut the Atlantic part out of the NATO alliance, essentially leaving the U.S. and Britain isolated, and France and Germany to control the rest of Europe.

In late 2002, John Vinocur of *The International Herald Tribune* stated that from the American perspective, it was not so much the political comments made during a heated German election campaign, but rather "...how Schroeder's decision has come to magnify wide concern about Germany's direction, the strength of neutralist currents in German society..." It was the first time in 50 years that Germany and the U.S. were on opposite sides of a war-and-peace issue. Although Germany's contribution would have been almost insignificant, the diplomatic appearance and effect were great, and the precedent had been set. Germany, as the leading EU state, was taking a different path than the U.S., and at that time, a few in Europe were following Germany. (How many will follow Germany's lead against the U.S. next time?)

The Vatican got involved by stating that a "preventive" war against Iraq had no legal justification, and that they would consider the U.S. to be the "aggressor" (*The Washington Post*). Most Europeans agreed. If "preventive" wars are deemed illegal, how

long will the world continue to allow the U.S. to start them? Plainly, the answer is, only as long as they cannot do anything about it. However, this may already be more of a reality than most think. If the U.S. were considered again (e.g., in regard to Iran or North Korea) to be the "aggressor," how many Europeans would support action against the U.S. in an attempt to stop them? What kind of action would most Europeans support?

In an April 2003 interview with *The Financial Times*, British Prime Minister Tony Blair issued a direct warning to Jacques Chirac, stating that the French President's vision of Europe as a rival to the U.S. is dangerous and destabilizing. While his personal relationship with Mr. Chirac had improved since the pre-Iraq war dispute, Mr. Blair maintained that the strategic divide between Europe and the U.S. remained.

France's vision of the world in the near future consists of multi-polar powers, most specifically, a strong Europe that can counter the U.S. Mr. Blair, obviously troubled by this, stated, "...I think there is an issue that we have to resolve here between America and Europe and within Europe about Europe's attitude towards the transatlantic alliance. I don't want Europe setting itself up in opposition to America...I think it will be dangerous and destabilizing." He believes that a multi-polar world with different centers of power "...will very quickly develop into rival centres of power." Note Mr. Blair's keywords "within" and "attitude." He is exposing here what some have known for some time—a very real and widespread European disdain for America.

A *New York Times* analysis by Thomas L. Friedman indicated that the bottom line regarding the relationship between France and the U.S. is that the two countries are basically at war with each other. Taking into consideration the way France "behaved" prior to and during the Iraq war, along with its current statements and actions, Mr. Friedman concluded that France's goal is for America to fail in Iraq (and the

Middle East), so that ultimately, France can assume its "rightful" position as an American equal, if not superior, in shaping international affairs.

Plainly, the trans-Atlantic relationship is divided by much more than a simple "rift." The public, media, and political animosity that was generated in Europe leading up to, during and following the Iraq war is almost irreparable. To this day, Europeans hate America's foreign policy, power and current President. This hatred fuels a vicious cycle: With public support, politicians continue with anti-U.S. statements, positions, and policy. With political and media support, the public continues to voice its hatred of America. Popular opinion drives politics and, to some degree, politics drives popular opinion. The U.S. will continue to be portrayed as an "out-of-control" bully, and European cries for something to be done will only become louder and louder, until Europe is finally in a position to do something about it.

The Sentiment in Europe

Naturally, historical feelings play a part in current posturing and strategies. European politicians and citizens alike have long been suspicious and resentful of the "special" British-American relationship. In terms of making their European Union project work, most Europeans have expressed a certain amount of frustration toward Britain, whom they see as having one foot in Europe and one in America. More often than not, whether regarding common farm subsidies or defense and security, London has seemingly been at odds with Paris, while Paris and Berlin continually agree.

In addition, Europe may even be developing a sort of collective self-confidence crisis when it comes to the European Union and its growing pains on the international stage, compared to the relative seasoned diplomacy of the U.S. Frustration at their recent inability to speak with one voice, to maintain security on their own continent (e.g., the Balkans during the 1990s), and to exert more international influ-

ence, must also feed their disdain for America. Each event seems to increase the disparity and the opportunity for more frustration and hatred, while at the same time increasing Europe's desperate desire for strength, power and success. A confident, no-nonsense U.S. President like George W. Bush must only fuel the fire.

Despite sharing similar concerns regarding the world, Europeans and Americans are drifting further apart in what they believe to be acceptable solutions. In a June 2003 survey conducted by the German Marshall Fund, both peoples listed the same top four "world concerns": international terrorism, Islamic fundamentalism, the Arab-Israeli conflict and weapons of mass destruction in North Korea and Iran (*International Herald Tribune*).

Yet, when asked about how to respond to such problems, less than half of the Europeans believed war could achieve justice, compared with 84% of the Americans. Specifically, 73% of Americans would support a war against Iran, while only 44% of Europeans would do the same. When compared with a similar poll from a year earlier, there was a significant increase in the number of Europeans questioning U.S. world leadership. The majority of European citizens expressed "strong disapproval" of U.S. foreign policy, with Germans and Italians increasing their disapproval by more than 20 points from the prior survey. The desire in Europe for strong U.S. leadership went from 64% in 2003 to 45% in 2004. When Germans were asked whether the U.S. or European Union were vital to their national interests, 81% chose the EU, compared with 55% in 2003.

A poll conducted during mid-October 2003 in Europe had caused some diplomatic controversy by finding that over half of Europeans believed Israel to be the biggest threat to world peace, and that the United States contributed the most to international instability, along with Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq and North Korea. Israeli officials dismissed the poll as propaganda (*The EU Observer*). How much longer before the European government must

"act" to quell the concerns of its people? Such action would be expected from a "good democracy."

A February 2004 survey by the *Pew Research Center* clearly indicates that many peoples, even those of countries allied with the U.S., continue to hold negative views of America. "The divide between the U.S. and Europe is only getting wider," says editor Carroll Doherty. "It's beyond a question of America's image, it's now to the point where people want action based on their opposition to the U.S." French and German opinion remains negative and generally unchanged since a year ago. "Across Europe, we found people supporting the emergence of a European Union that can stand up and be an equal power to the U.S.," says Mr. Doherty.

The popular sentiment in Europe (even in Britain, where the media and politicians have successfully steered at least a percentage of the population to turn their eyes from west to east) is now so anti-American that the extreme has almost become acceptable. Consider the following comments by Charlie Brooker, recently printed (and then retracted) in *The Guardian* (a British newspaper): "Quite frankly, the man's [President Bush] either wired or mad. If it's the former, he should be flung out of office: tarred [and] feathered... And if it's the latter, his behaviour goes beyond strange, and heads toward terrifying."

He concluded his article with the following: "On November 2, the entire civilised world will be praying, praying Bush loses. And Sod's law dictates he'll probably win, thereby disproving the existence of God once and for all. The world will endure four more years of idiocy, arrogance and unwarranted bloodshed, with no benevolent deity to watch over and save us. John Wilkes Booth, Lee Harvey Oswald, John Hinckley Jr—where are you now that we need you?"

Note that, in general, the attacks are not (or at least not *any longer*) targeted toward a specific situation or issue, or toward the person responsible. They are now just plain, broad

and explicit hatred of America and everything American. A *Fox News* special titled "Hating America" referred to the hatred as "the new world sport," and that it covered everything from policies to the people. It largely laid the blame at the feet of state-controlled media that it identified, surprisingly, in both "democratic" Western nations, and the autocracies of the Middle East. The host, John Gibson, referred to the over 100 satellite channels available to the 70 million Arab TV viewers, most of which are state-sponsored. Former U.S. ambassador to Morocco, Marc Charles Ginsburg, said, "If I watched Arab television, I'd hate us also." One of Mr. Gibson's associates had recounted hearing al-Jazeera producers referring to their way of approaching news as "political pornography—we show a lot of blood and incite people."

Even in France and at the BBC, the reporting has been blatantly biased. A former editor of a French newspaper's website said, "The way the media reported it [the Iraq war], was the way they were, like, hoping it would happen." It was so bad that the realities of the war in Iraq were hard to believe: "If you just read the French press during the three weeks of the war, you couldn't understand how the American troops took Baghdad after three weeks." Trevor Asserson, an English lawyer who monitors the BBC on his website, www.BBCwatch.com, said, "There is an institutional bias, in favor of a whole basket of liberal views—to be opposed to war, to be opposed to America... They [the BBC] have a larger network, in countries and journalists, than any other organization in the world. Therefore, they must be influencing the way people think."

In another instance, Carol Gould (an American who lives in England), writing for *FrontPage Magazine*, shared a telling experience she had while travelling in London. She and another American woman were attacked on a bus by a "well-dressed woman" in what she described as resembling "a verbal assault by a brownshirt against a hapless Jewish pedestrian in 1933." The British woman screamed at the

Americans, “I rejoice every time I hear of another American soldier dying! You people all deserve to die in another 9/11. You are destroying the world.” The bus driver and other passengers just laughed.

A few weeks earlier, Carol Gould had attended a party at which she was “lambasted, intimidated and mocked” by a group of people she had known for approximately twenty years. She was reminded of a comment a friend had made shortly after 9/11: “Now I know what the Jews felt like in pre-war Germany.”

Anti-Semitism Equals Anti-Americanism

In addition, plain and seemingly unmovable U.S. support for Israel simply irks most Europeans. The mainstream media in Europe is notorious for presenting news with a very pro-Palestinian slant, fueling anti-Semitism, which, at some point, is often equated with anti-Americanism.

Carol Gould had another telling experience in London. An associate she had known for ten years suddenly felt compelled to tell her, “You know, Carol, I want to get something off my chest that I’ve been dying to say to you for years. Number one, just don’t say Israel to me. Number two, you people should look at yourselves in the mirror and wonder why every so often there is a Holocaust or massacre or pogrom. You bring it on yourselves. Just look at the way you are and then figure out why the rest of the world wants to flatten you. Number three, America throwing money at Israel has to stop, and hopefully all hell will break loose. Israel is not a country. I just hear the word and I turn peuce.”

The hatred has become so intense that Ms. Gould declares literally, “What I find so frightening is that I cannot conduct business or even take a taxi ride in London, Bournemouth or Edinburgh without a scathing tirade about the scurrilous Yanks.” She also expressed frustration at how difficult (“impossible”) it is to convey to fellow Americans back home, or to American Jews, the blatant loathing of

both groups that *dominates daily life* outside the U.S. today.

A report released by the *European Monitoring Center on Racism and Xenophobia* in late 2002 indicated that racial prejudice against Jews was being fueled by social and economic factors, to the point that it was on the verge of becoming acceptable (*The Washington Post*). Jewish leaders informed attendees at a May 2003 international conference on intolerance that anti-Semitism is rising at a rate unseen since World War II (*The Haaretz Daily*).

Rabbi Marvin Hier, founder of the *Simon Wiesenthal Center*, said during his address, “Not since the end of World War Two has the world seen such a proliferation of anti-Semitism. I believe that you have a new generation of professional haters who are serving as leaders, demagogues, and they’re inspiring young people to do their bidding while they often hide.” Mr. Hier pointed out that two-thirds of all violent acts that occurred in France last year were directed at Jews. The reasoning behind the hatred and violence toward this one people is not so different from times past.

Shimon Samuels of the *Center’s* Paris branch said that he believes the protests and attacks by young people against globalization and capitalism have now extended toward specific peoples: “the vultures of society [who] are in most cases the United States and the Jewish people. They have taken the old stereotypes and simply modernized them...thereby proliferating and having a multiplier effect they were never able to do in previous decades.”

In introducing a new book by Kenneth R. Timmerman titled *Preachers of Hate: Islam and the War on America*, Jeffrey Nyquist (*Financial Sense*) draws some interesting parallels between anti-Semitism and anti-Americanism. Mr. Timmerman claims that Jew hatred today is America hatred. “When this hateful [anti-Jewish] fantasy is turned against America, ‘world Jewry’ is replaced by ‘imperialism’ and ‘globalization’ as the malign forces threatening a society that is

profoundly insecure and feels under siege because it is incapable of adapting to the modern world.” Mr. Nyquist points to the seemingly unending international support for each other: “...Arab countries consistently vote against the United States in the United Nations General Assembly 80 to 90 percent of the time, while Israel votes with the United States 89 percent of the time,” more often than the United Kingdom. On the international stage, Israel is indeed America’s “most faithful ally.” Therefore, hatred of one engenders hatred of the other.

A report prepared by the Israeli Foreign Ministry warned in October 2004 that its nation could become increasingly isolated in the coming years if Europe becomes more influential, to the point that Israel’s global standing could even resemble the “pariah status of apartheid South Africa” (*The Haaretz Daily*). “The EU could sharpen its expectation that Israel will comply with international norms...and honor the authority of the United Nations and its agencies—an issue that has the potential of leading to friction,” the analysts wrote. The document says that as the EU gains international influence, the U.S., Israel’s main ally, will lose it. The report also identifies a new form of anti-Semitism rising in Europe—one that denies Israel’s legitimacy as a sovereign Jewish state—a fundamental platform of post-World War II British and American foreign policy.

Hatred Foretold and the Coming Punishment

European hatred of America is all for a greater purpose. It is in fact necessary and guaranteed. Your Bible says so! Leviticus 26 (as well as Deuteronomy 28) covers the blessings that God promised to Israel for obedience and the punishment for disobedience. The modern-day descendants of that nation will soon be punished for breaking God’s laws. God will use Germany, leading a United States of Europe, to mete out this severe punishment. Hatred for America and Britain is therefore essential. In Europe, it will

force political action—and eventually *military* action.

Lamentations 1:2 describes America's betrayal and isolation: "She weeps sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks: among all her lovers she has none to comfort her: all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies."

Indeed, former allies are now enemies! At every request for help, most countries decline. Further, Ezekiel 23:22 describes these "lovers" (i.e., former allies) as eventually standing against America: "...Behold, I will raise up your lovers against you, from whom your mind is alienated, and I will bring them against you on every side." In the end, despite America and Britain's attempt to be attractive, these lovers will even seek their lives: "And when you are spoiled, what will you do? Though you clothe yourself with crimson, though you deck you with ornaments of gold, though you rent your face with painting, in vain shall you make yourself fair; your lovers will despise you, they will seek your life" (Jer. 4:30).

Ezekiel 23:5, 9 recalls and prophecies, in typical biblical dual fulfillment, how ancient Israel doted after Assyria, the ancient ancestors of modern-day Germany: "And Aholah played the har-

lot when she was Mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbors...Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted." This was fulfilled once, and will be fulfilled again in the very near future!

Andrew Kohut of the Pew Research Center said: "This [hating America] will be a problem of American diplomacy for years to come. The only way it will not be a problem is if there is a rival power, or we become less powerful". In a May 2003 analysis titled "Europe versus America," J.R. Nyquist indicated that France and Germany, and, by extension, the rest of Europe, along with Russia, all have current (and historical) reasons to displace or, at the very least, compete with America as the world's superpower. In addition, France and Germany, as Europe's economic powerhouses, may indeed be looking to Russia for military and natural resource strength; and conversely, Russia, with promises to make Europe as strong "as gods," will look to Europe for economic support.

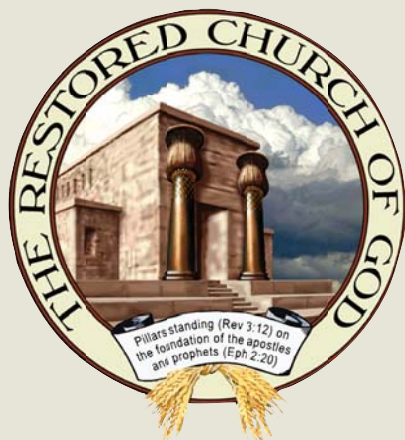
Notice: "By pretending to abandon its quest for global dominance, Russia has positioned itself to join up with Europe against 'selfish U.S. interests.' Using an assumed position

of weakness, Russia now urges France and Germany to take leading roles. By combining Western Europe with the 'former' Soviet imperium a new and unstoppable power could be created in opposition to the United States" (*Financial Sense*).

The United States, as well as its people, is confused as to why these things are happening, as are her allies. In accordance with God's Plan, these nations were blessed beyond any other nation. They once knew the source of these riches. But because of their disobedience, those blessings are now being taken away. Nevertheless, they continue to walk in pride and arrogance—and are therefore hated by the world!

To teach these, and eventually all, peoples a lesson in the futility of "man's way" in opposition to God's Way, they will soon be punished. To make that punishment possible, America and Britain will be isolated and hated by the world. Now you know why.

Bible prophecy is being fulfilled before your eyes, and you have a chance to understand it! Take the time to carefully study our extensive literature. Reflect on and consider the state of your own life, and then seek God, and ask Him for understanding to survive all that lies ahead. □



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