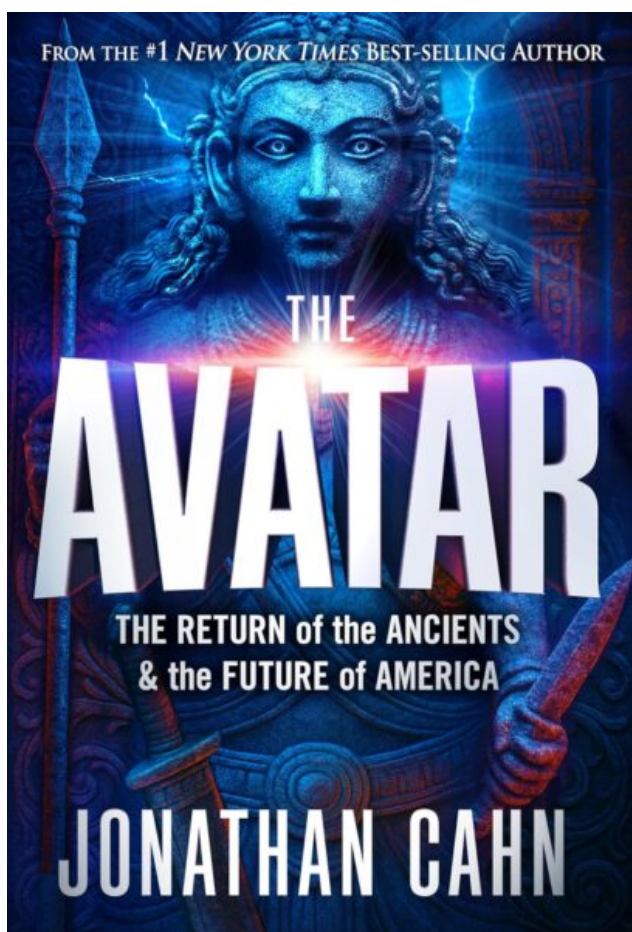


# Threats Against Trump and Israel Are More Than Political, They're Spiritual

Pastor James Kaddis is warning viewers that the Iranian regime's escalating hostility toward President Donald Trump and Israel is not just a geopolitical issue, it's part of [a larger spiritual war unfolding](#) in real time.

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In his latest video, Kaddis breaks down how Iran's top religious authorities have openly called for Trump's assassination and are offering financial and spiritual incentives to carry it out.



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The video covers a disturbing new fatwa from Iranian Grand Ayatollahs that equates Trump with an “enemy of Allah,” prescribing death as the punishment. Backed by a group called “Blood Covenant,” Iran claims to have raised over \$40 million to fund the assassination. Kaddis also highlights how these threats are being publicly endorsed by Iranian clerics, promoted in state media and directed at younger Muslims worldwide as a so-called act of religious devotion.

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Throughout the episode, Kaddis calls out what he describes as deception from both Iran’s leadership and Western influencers who minimize or excuse the regime’s behavior. He points to biblical prophecy as the lens for understanding these developments, noting how hostility [toward Israel and the United States](#) aligns with end-times warnings found in Scripture.

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Viewers can expect in-depth analysis, video clips of Iranian leaders making threats, and a strong call for Christians to remain prayerful, discerning and grounded in truth. To learn more about the spiritual warfare taking place in the world today, watch the full episode with Pastor James Kaddis above.

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# Iran Abandons Terror Proxies, Aligns With Russia and China in Prophetic Power Shift

As Israel continues to dismantle Iran's terror proxy network, the Islamic Republic is turning away from militias and toward global superpowers like Russia and China, escalating tensions and laying the groundwork for prophetic end-times events foretold in the Bible.

Erick Stakelbeck, host of The Watchman newscast, warned in his latest livestream that Iran is "recalibrating" its military alliances after [Israel's crushing victory in the recent 12-day war](#). "All that time, money, treasure, and blood that the Iranian regime spent in building up this ring of fire... it's all out the window now," he said. "It's been exposed... as a flimsy strategy at the end of the day."

Following Israel's decisive strikes, Iran's longstanding "ring of fire" strategy, arming and deploying terror proxies like Hezbollah, Hamas and the Houthis, has largely collapsed. "They're a shell of their former selves," Stakelbeck said. "The Ring of Fire is now a smoldering heap of ruins."

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Despite its losses, Iran is not retreating. Instead, it is strengthening ties with stable nuclear powers. "If you're Iran, where do you go? You go to nation states," Stakelbeck explained. "Which nation states in particular do you go to? Nation states that are stable. How do nation states become stable? Through having nuclear weapons. It's the ultimate deterrent."

He called this alliance the "Gathering Storm coalition,"

consisting of Iran, Russia, China and North Korea. “There will never be a time when Russia, China, and North Korea... are completely irrelevant on the world stage,” he said. “They can’t be dismissed out of hand.”

This pivot was on full display during a joint naval drill between Iran and Russia in the Caspian Sea this week. Dubbed Cassariks 2025, the exercise was announced under the banner “Together for a Safe and Secure Caspian Sea.” Stakelbeck dismissed the framing, saying, [“Iran and Russia, two of the world’s worst actors, are holding joint naval drills...”](#) and look, don’t worry. It’s just to reinforce maritime safety.”



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Iran’s foreign minister has also doubled down on his country’s nuclear ambitions. “We’re not going to give up our uranium enrichment program,” the minister told Fox News, according to Stakelbeck. “They’re digging in their heels... they’re not changing their tune at all. They’re doubling down.”

Stakelbeck praised President Donald Trump for his bold response to the rising threat. “Trump is a man of keeping his word when it comes to deadlines,” he said. “Peace through strength is back. He’s strong. He’s bold. He’s got leverage. And he’s not afraid to use it.”

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He also tied the geopolitical unrest to biblical prophecy, referencing Ezekiel 38 and 39. “That invasion force will come... mostly Islamic nations that come against Israel in the latter days of history,” he said. “Russia, Turkey and Iran are all named by their ancient biblical names in the book of Ezekiel.”

While much of Iran's regional network has crumbled, Stakelbeck noted the Houthis in Yemen remain active and dangerous. "They continue to launch attacks, ballistic missiles, drones, attacking shipping in the Red Sea," he said. A senior Israeli official reportedly told Stakelbeck in Washington: "We will destroy the Houthis."

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Stakelbeck concluded that the Ayatollahs' public bravado hides their real weakness. "They've been exposed," he said. "They're puffing their chest out right now and acting tough... but come on, let's get serious."

As tensions escalate, Stakelbeck urged viewers to watch for prophetic patterns. "Don't be surprised that the demonic activity continues until you absolutely crush it decisively," he said. "The Bible's very clear... that day will come."

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## **Former Queen's Chaplain Warns of Apostasy and Collapse Within the Church**

A former chaplain to Queen Elizabeth II is warning that the Church of England is suffering a spiritual collapse, [rapidly approaching apostasy](#) and demographic extinction.

"It will become hollowed out with nothing at the center," Gavin Ashenden told EWTN, lamenting that the church is clinging to its wealth and historic buildings but has lost the

vitality of faith. “They will keep a show going in the more dramatic places,” he said, referencing ceremonies like royal funerals and coronations, while local parishes “are very close to being defunct already.”

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Ashenden, who left the Anglican Church in 2019 and converted to Roman Catholicism, pointed to the Church of England’s aging congregation and lack of youth engagement as signs of irreversible decline, as reported by The Christian Post.

“The average age in Anglican parishes is over 70, and there is no great renewal in the youth, so demographically, it’s simply going to evaporate,” he said.

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Ashenden resigned from his royal post in 2017 after speaking out against St. Mary’s Cathedral in Glasgow for reciting Quranic verses denying Christ’s divinity during an Epiphany service. He later explained the decision to leave Anglicanism came with personal cost but was rooted in conscience. “It was easy and difficult at the same time,” he told EWTN.

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Over the years, Ashenden said he tried to reason with liberal Anglicans, warning, “You’re changing the nature of faith itself.” When he publicly voiced his concerns, he said he was told by the Lord Chamberlain of the Royal Household that his views might be seen as representing the queen herself, prompting him to resign.

His journey, marked by suffering and supernatural encounters,

included a vision in the 1990s in which he briefly experienced the agony of Christ on the cross. "Once you've discovered God really does love you... it gives a value to your life that you never lose," he said.

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The Bible warns that in the last days, many will depart from the faith, [giving heed to deceptive spirits](#) and doctrines of demons (1 Tim. 4:1). Apostasy is part of the prophetic picture of the end times, something believers are cautioned to expect but also to pray against. While such events shouldn't shock us as Christians, they are a clear reminder to remain rooted in the truth of God's Word and pray for revival within the church.

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## **End-Times Watch: A Restored Temple and Red Heifers in Israel?**

Could Israel be closer than ever to [building the Third Temple?](#) Many believe so, and point to unfolding prophetic signs as evidence that the world is approaching the final days before the return of Christ.

"We are sitting here in the very last days," said Tom Cote, host of the Watchman River Podcast. "Some people say in the last hours, but we are sitting here in the very last days. We are seeing everything set up, everything for the seven-year

tribulation.”

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Cote believes the modern state of Israel plays a central role in end-times prophecy and that the acceleration of temple-related developments signals something monumental is near. “With all the talk of the third temple, it really shows us how close we are to the pre-tribulation rapture of the church,” he said. “Could the temple, the third temple, be built in 2025 or 2026? I think it’s very possible.”

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One of the most talked-about developments is the arrival of the red heifers, a biblically significant requirement for temple purification. [“They’ve got these perfect red heifers ready to go,”](#) Cote said. “They already did a rehearsal where they burned one of the heifers... there’s two more red heifers that are perfect. And the timing is perfect.”

In recent weeks, imagery and messaging surrounding the Third Temple have been spotted more frequently in Israel, a fact Cote sees as more than symbolic. “Signs were installed that were pointing to the temple, the third temple, that’s not there yet,” he said. “But the Israeli government has not taken them down... everyone’s getting ready for it.”

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He also noted unusual displays in Palestinian territories: “Israeli settlers are now flying third temple flags at key intersections on the daily routes for Palestinians who live there in the West Bank.”

According to Cote, these events align with the prophetic

warnings given throughout Scripture. “Ezekiel saw it in Ezekiel 37:28. Daniel mentioned it in Daniel 9:27. Jesus confirmed it in Matthew 24:15–16. Paul saw it in 2 Thessalonians 2:4, and so did John in Revelation 11:1 and 2.”

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The progression of war and faith in the region is leading to one ultimate outcome, he said. “The Middle East is on the verge of some pretty chaotic times. And I think out of that will probably come the covenant where they give Israel permission to build the third temple.”

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## **What Set This Revelation Church Apart from the Others?**

In a recent episode of The John Bevere Podcast, John Bevere and his son Arden offered a powerful look at Jesus’ letter to the church in Smyrna found [\*\*in Revelation 2:8–11.\*\*](#) This biblical message has critical relevance for believers today, especially those facing suffering or discouragement.

“This city was steeped in pagan worship,” John said, describing Smyrna as “one of the most dark cities in Asia Minor.” It was a place infamous for brutal idol worship, pornographic public theater, rampant prostitution, and the open massacre of Christians in the arena.

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Yet in the midst of this darkness, Jesus commended the believers for their faithfulness. “I know about your suffering and your poverty, but you are rich,” [He says in Revelation](#). Bevere reminded listeners, “This is one of the two churches that Jesus gives no rebuke. He only affirms them.”

The suffering faced by Smyrna’s believers was not just spiritual—it was economic and physical. Arden noted, “Because they wouldn’t participate in the pagan trade guilds, they were excluded from income.” John added, “They were ostracized. And Jesus says, ‘The devil is about to throw some of you into prison... but be faithful, even unto death.’”

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For believers today, especially those in Western nations, the Beveres warned against becoming spiritually unarmed. “It is hard to serve Jesus when it’s easy,” John said, quoting a Navy SEAL who had previously addressed their team. “And it’s easy to serve Jesus when it’s hard.”

Arden asked how believers today should respond when they feel surrounded by darkness, anxiety or depression. John shared a personal testimony of spiritual resilience: “I just started saying, ‘God, You’re faithful.’ And the more I said it, the more it fed me... I had to learn to feed on His faithfulness.”

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One of the most inspiring portions of the episode focused on the martyrdom of Polycarp, the bishop of Smyrna. At 86 years old, he refused to deny Christ. “‘Eighty and six years have I served Him, and He has done me no wrong. How can I blaspheme my King and my Savior?’” Polycarp declared before he was executed by fire and sword.



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Jesus' promise to the believers in Smyrna still stands today: "Be faithful even when facing death, and I will give you the crown of life." John explained, "That crown was given to victorious athletes. It's a symbol of overcoming. And Jesus says, 'You will not be harmed by the second death.'"

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The Beveres closed the episode by urging all believers, whether facing persecution, social rejection, or private discouragement, to remain steadfast. "Remember," John said, "this life is a vapor. Stay faithful to Jesus. The reward is eternal."

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## **Genocide in Syria: Christians and Druze Slaughtered While the World Looks Away**

The situation unfolding in Syria is nothing short of barbaric, according to Israeli Druze activist Mansor Ashkar, who described it as ["an actual genocide, ethnic cleansing sponsored by the government of Syria."](#)

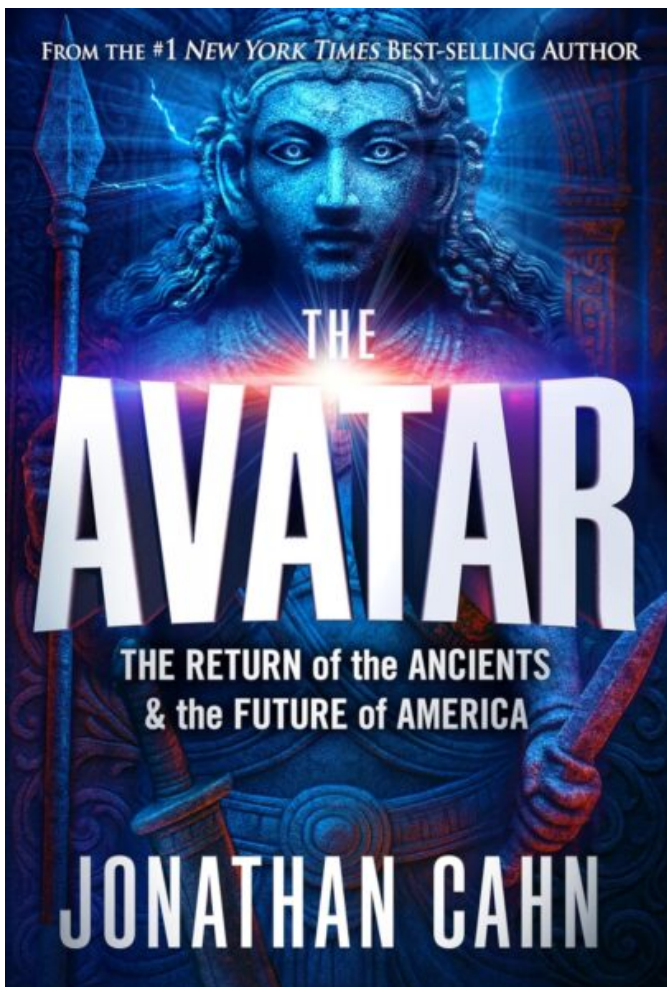
In a recent interview with CBN News, Ashkar detailed the horrific violence being committed against Druze and Christian communities in the region, including beheadings, abductions and the use of women and children as war trophies by jihadist

fighters. “We’re seeing horrific videos of people walking with the heads of the Druze people that they beheaded, mocking them, laughing at them,” he said.

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One of the most disturbing reports involves a Christian family whose home was invaded by jihadists.

Ashkar recounted how the attackers mocked the family’s faith, telling the daughter, “Do you want us to make him look like Jesus?” before forcing the father to build a cross with the intention of crucifying him. “At that moment when she prayed,” Ashkar said of the mother, [“the Israeli jets came over the sky and landed a missile in that area... they managed to escape, bring back their daughter, saved by the Druze fighters.”](#)



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Despite these horrors, global media and governments remain largely silent.

Ashkar believes geopolitical interests and alliances with Sunni regimes are enabling the cover-up of mass atrocities.

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“There is literally one of the most gruesome attempts to ethnically cleanse an entire minority in the Middle East,” he warned, noting that only Israel has tried to intervene but has been pressured to stop. “Let us go and save the Christians and the Jews in that mountain,” he pleaded. “We can do it. Just stop holding us back.”

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If you want to learn more about the atrocities being committed in Syria at this very moment, watch the full video above.

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**Viral Coldplay Concert  
Scandal Triggers Biblical  
Truth Bomb on Adultery and**

# Divorce

A video of an alleged adulterous couple caught on camera at a Coldplay concert has gone viral, but it wasn't just the moment itself that caught the attention of Christian influencer Kap Chatfield.

It was the internet's reaction.

"I wasn't even planning on making a video about this," Chatfield admitted in his recent commentary. "But after watching that clip...what shocked me more than just the affair itself in this video was the reaction."

As the video spread across social media, Chatfield noted a wave of comments [declaring marriage obsolete](#). "People are saying stuff like, 'This is why I'll never get married. Marriage is a joke. Just be single and do whatever you want,'" he said.

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Rather than feeding into gossip, Chatfield used the viral moment to push back against cultural influencers like Andrew Tate and Myron Gaines who promote polygamy and diminish monogamy.

"Andrew Tate, you're the one who's under satanic deception," Chatfield said. "You are free to follow the Andrew Tates of the world...and join all the other people in human history who have done that, who have rejected the way of God and are burning in hell for all of eternity."

Chatfield argued that despite cultural trends, biblical marriage remains the standard set by Jesus.



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"Jesus set a standard that was already written thousands of years before He even walked on the planet," he said. "That one man be joined to one wife for life."

He also countered the argument that the Bible condones polygamy.

"Polygamy was not condoned by God in the Bible. It was allowed in His sovereignty, but it wasn't God's best and it wasn't what God instructed."

Chatfield cited multiple passages, including Matthew 19, Ephesians 5 and Hebrews 13, to underline the biblical call to covenant faithfulness. He explained that marriage is a spiritual parallel of Jesus' relationship with His people.

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“Marriage is not for your comfort. [Marriage is for your consecration.](#) Marriage is for your conformity to Christ,” he said. “Marriage is: I will give 100% even if you give me zero. That’s what Jesus did for us.”

He warned of the real-world consequences of ignoring this covenant, especially on children citing a series of sobering statistics:

- 75% of children feel lingering betrayal toward a cheating parent.
- 80% say it negatively shapes their view of romance.
- 70% report it affects their general trust in others.
- Children of divorce are twice as likely to experience emotional or behavioral problems.
- Teens from divorced homes show higher rates of depression, social fear, and suicidal ideation.
- Children who witness infidelity are twice as likely to be unfaithful in their own marriages.
- Kids from divorced homes are twice as likely to drop out of high school.

“Marriage absolutely works, but it takes work,” Chatfield said. “We need to stand up for what God’s definition of marriage is.”

Still, he offered hope for those who’ve fallen short: “Even if you have [committed adultery or gone through divorce], there is redemption and grace and mercy for you if you’re willing to give it over to God.”

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For Chatfield, the takeaway is simple.

“Don’t throw out marriage just because the devil has hijacked the meaning of marriage,” he said. “There’s a better way. And if you want that better way, you’ve got to give your life to Jesus.”

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## **Did This Red Heifer Ritual Fulfill Bible Prophecy? Experts Weigh In**

A recent [red heifer burning](#) in Israel has reignited prophetic discussions surrounding the rebuilding of the Jewish temple and the arrival of the Antichrist, according to Bible prophecy experts L.A. Marzulli and Mondo Gonzales.

“There was simply a five-second video clip of a red heifer burning,” Gonzales said during an interview on Supernatural Confrontations. “It was in flames... but you could tell immediately that it was not the Mount of Olives... This looks like Samaria, which is where Shiloh is, which is where the five cows were or are.”

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Gonzales reached out to Byron Stinson, who was instrumental in getting [the red heifers to Israel](#), and he confirmed the ceremony was a “practice run” using one of the disqualified animals. “Of the five, there were two that are still preliminarily qualified,” Gonzales said.

Beyond the religious implications, the ritual may have sparked

political consequences. "In January of 2024, Hamas made a public statement that one of the reasons why they attacked on October 7th was because of the desire for Israel to change the status quo on the Temple Mount," Gonzales said. "They brought up, according to their language, the red cows."

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Referencing multiple prophetic texts, the pair underscored the literal fulfillment of Scripture. "In the context of Revelation 11, it's very, very physical," Gonzales said. "Paul says that the Antichrist is going to sit in the temple of God declaring himself to be God. That's just allegory? I don't even know how you'd make it allegory at all."

Gonzales explained that the red heifer ceremony is found in Numbers 19 and is crucial for ritual purification. "They sprinkle the blood towards the base of the Temple Mount, they burn the cow whole, they collect the ashes, they mix it with water, and then they use that to purify people."

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However, the two plots of land on the Mount of Olives, required by Jewish tradition for the ceremony, are surrounded by Arab neighborhoods, making security a challenge. "The only way they're going to be able to do it is with massive security," Gonzales said.

Marzulli then asked whether this purification could lead to the building of the Third Temple. Gonzales responded, "He will cause to prevail the covenant... the Mosaic covenant... he's going to allow them... to build their temple. And then in the middle of the week, he [the Antichrist] stops the sacrifices and offerings, commits the abomination of desolation."

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“What was written will come to pass,” Marzulli concluded. “He’s going to return on the Mount of Olives. He’s not returning to Walla Walla, Michigan. That’s not going to happen.”

Gonzales agreed: “The prophecies of the first coming are literal... in the second coming, let’s go with that. Ninety-nine percent are literal.”

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# God Calls Us to a Culture of Dignity, Not Outrage or Victimhood

Why did Abraham send his servant all the way to Haran to find a wife for Isaac? According to Mark Gerson, it wasn’t about the distance—[it was about the culture.](#)

In a recent article on Fox News, Gerson points to an often-overlooked detail in Genesis: Haran is where Abraham once “made souls.” In other words, it was fertile ground for goodness. “Culture is the most important thing about a place and its people,” Gerson writes—and that insight is more vital today than ever.

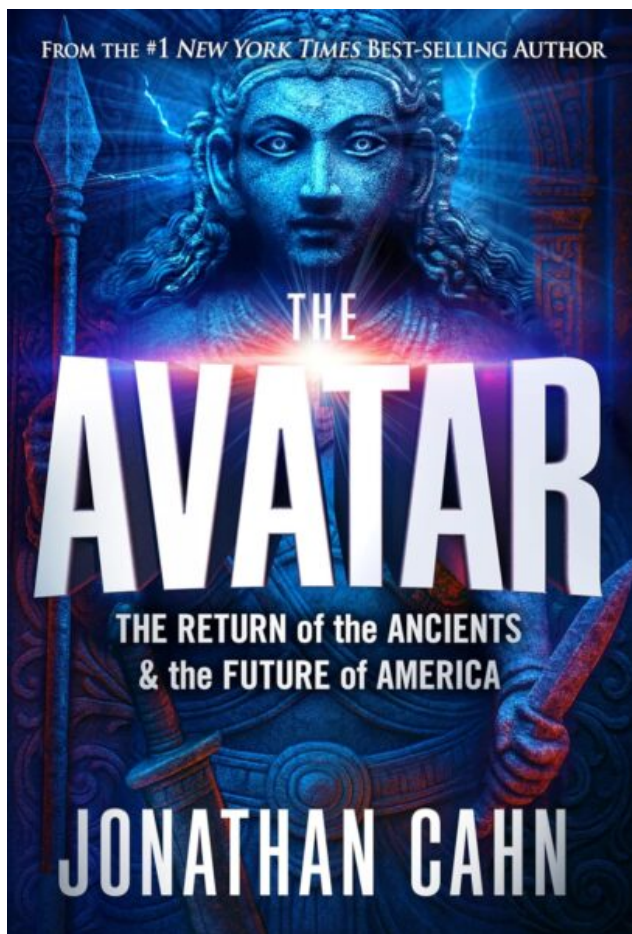
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So, what kind of culture should we be looking to build?

The answer, Gerson says, shows up in Exodus when God reveals His character to Moses in what Jewish tradition calls the Thirteen Attributes. One trait stands out above the rest: “slow to anger.”

That may sound simple, but in a world addicted to outrage, it’s radical. And it’s exactly the kind of trait that defined many of the Bible’s greatest leaders. Abraham could have exploded at Lot for his selfishness. He didn’t. Moses and Rachel were publicly insulted. No revenge. No meltdowns. Just composure and grace.

“Totally cool,” as Gerson puts it.



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What’s more, the Bible’s examples stand in stark contrast to the cultural forces shaping people today. Gerson identifies two toxic extremes: honor culture and victim culture. The

honor culture says, "If you're disrespected, hit back harder." The victim culture says, "If you're offended, amplify the grievance." In both cases, anger is the reflex—and the badge of honor.

"In the honor culture, you fight; in the victim culture, you complain," he explains. But the God of Scripture rejects both.

Instead of promoting grievance or retaliation, God calls His people to remember they were once strangers in Egypt—not just slaves. Why? Because a culture of constant victimhood [paralyzes people from living with purpose.](#) In Leviticus, God commands judges to show neither favoritism to the rich nor bias toward the poor, elevating merit and responsibility above emotional reaction.

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In our time, Gerson notes, institutions increasingly encourage people to hunt for microaggressions and unconscious bias. The result? An epidemic of short fuses, damaged relationships, and even health consequences. "Persistent quickness to anger can lead to heart attacks, strokes, high blood pressure, migraines, memory impairment, risky behaviors and a compromised immune system," he writes.

What's the alternative?

A culture of dignity. This is the biblical model, and it's sorely needed. "A dignified culture is composed of people who act thoughtfully and strategically, unlike those in the victim and honor cultures, who are acted upon," Gerson writes. It's about restraint, responsibility, gratitude, and focus.

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Yes, it's countercultural. But it's also timeless truth.

"God was right," Gerson concludes. "Culture is the most important thing for human flourishing – and the biblical ideal of a culture of dignity provides the model for the one we should build."

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## 92 Saved: Mass Baptism Marks Spiritual Awakening

In a powerful display of unity and faith, 92 people were baptized in the sea near Boscombe Pier in southern England, publicly declaring their commitment to Jesus Christ in front of hundreds of onlookers.

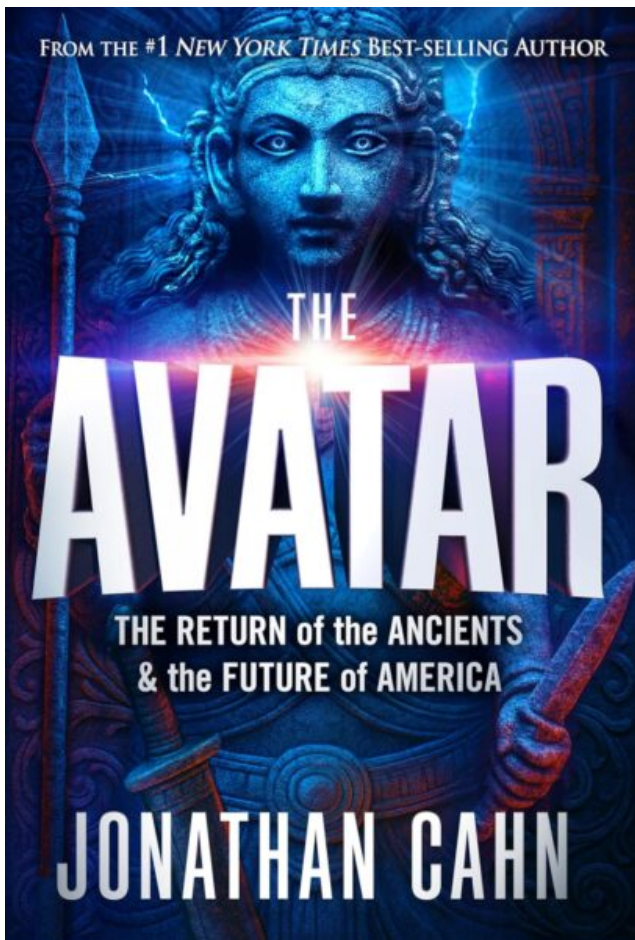
The July 13 event, hosted by five local churches from Bournemouth, began early Sunday morning with hymns, testimonies and worship. It attracted the attention of national media, including the BBC and the Bournemouth Echo, as crowds gathered to witness the moving celebration of new life in Christ.

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"On a bright sunny Sunday morning, amongst the thousands filling the seven-mile stretch of beach in Bournemouth, 1,300 gathered right among them, from five Bournemouth churches to worship together and [witness the baptisms of 92 new believers](#)," said Rev. Mike Smailes, associate minister of Lansdowne Church. "An incredible experience. Christians

uniting from different churches and backgrounds. Confidently showing that Jesus Christ is Lord.”

The five participating churches—Bournemouth Community Church, Catch the Fire Church, Lansdowne Church, Coastline Vineyard Church and Lovechurch—described the day as a spiritual milestone for the city.



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“The gospel remains the hope of the world and the local church here is declaring it loudly!” Smailes added. “God is adding to our churches those He’s saving from every community.”

Among those baptized was a woman named Hope, who shared how her search for identity in the world led to anxiety, fear and disappointment until a friend invited her to a Zoom Bible study. “Over the span of a year, I was worshipping and praying to the Lord, asking Him to bring me closer to Him,” she said.

“My identity is solely in Him. The Lord has given me an unexplainable peace.”

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Another testimony came from Jack, a former atheist who once dismissed Christianity as “nonsensical fairy tales.” After watching *The Passion of the Christ* and diving into historical research about Jesus, he came to a life-changing realization. “By the end of my research, it was undeniable to me: Jesus is who He said He is,” he said. “I had become a Christian and accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. My life has never been the same since.”

Jack said he has since broken free from destructive habits. “Despite years of mockery, Jesus has saved me and changed my life.”

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From joyful songs to heartfelt testimonies, [the day became more than just a baptism](#)—it was a celebration of revival in modern Britain. Smailes summed it up best: “May the Lord now strengthen us all with greater boldness to live and speak for Him.”

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