

# Manifestation Explained: Is It New Age or Biblical?

The concept of “manifestation” is everywhere, from social media influencers to everyday conversations. Declared [Cambridge Dictionary’s 2024 Word of the Year](#), its cultural relevance cannot be ignored. But beneath its trendiness lies a deeper question: What does manifestation truly mean? And more importantly, is it a practice aligned with light or darkness?

In a recent Charisma Media video, three prominent voices in Christian ministry—Joseph Z, Alan DiDio and Pastor Brian Gibson—unpacked the spiritual implications of manifestation. Their insights reveal a stark divide between practices rooted in biblical truth and those veering into New Age or even demonic realms.

## Joseph Z: Discernment in the Spirit Realm

Joseph Z provided a sobering perspective on the visible and invisible forces at play. “The natural world is an extension of the spirit world,” he explained, cautioning against blindly embracing cultural trends. He warned of “[two forms of deviant prophetic voices](#)” that are manifesting in this era: one like John the Baptist, which challenges and calls for repentance, and another “prophesying out of their own soul... ideology and worldview.”

This dichotomy underscores the need for spiritual discernment. While manifestation may appear innocuous, the power behind it must be scrutinized. As Z noted, “even Satan can appear as an angel of light” (2 Cor. 11:14).

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## **Alan DiDio: Creating Space for the Holy Spirit**

Alan DiDio highlighted the church's role in reclaiming the concept of manifestation. "What if the church got a hold of that word and said we are going to create an atmosphere conducive to the manifestation of the Holy Spirit?" he asked. He emphasized the superiority of God's power over the demonic forces we face, declaring, "Greater is He that is in us, than he that is in the world."

For DiDio, manifestation rooted in biblical truth involves faith and surrender to God's will. It's not about affirming personal desires but aligning with God's divine plan. As he put it, "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well" (Matt. 6:33).

## **Pastor Brian Gibson: Miraculous Manifestations**

From healing miracles to inexplicable phenomena like "gold dust" appearing in his church, Pastor Brian Gibson described these moments as signs of God's presence. "When you preach the gospel, stuff happens," he said, emphasizing that such occurrences point to the miraculous nature of God.

However, Gibson's approach remains grounded. "I'm a gospel preacher," he clarified. "These other manifestations... they happen because when you preach the gospel, signs and wonders follow." For Gibson, the key is staying focused on the gospel rather than being distracted by the phenomena themselves.

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## **Manifestation: A Choice Between Light and Darkness**

These various perspectives shared with Charisma Media converge on one critical point: manifestation is not merely a trendy concept but a spiritual practice with eternal implications. The source of its power—whether of God or demonic—makes all the difference.

New Age practices often promise control over one's destiny through affirmations and rituals, but these methods can open doors to forces beyond one's understanding. In contrast, biblical manifestation is about faith, obedience and partnering with God's purposes. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding" (Prov. 3:5) remains the guiding principle.

The words shared by Z, DiDio and Gibson serve as a call to action for believers: discern the spirit behind manifestation practices, create space for the Holy Spirit and focus on the gospel's transformative power. As DiDio aptly put it, "What if it's time for the manifestation of every prophetic word that's been spoken over your life to be fulfilled?"

Yet, the questions remain. Will you align with the darkness of self-reliance, or will you surrender to the divine mystery of God's promises? The answer could shape not just your life but your place in eternity.

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# Brian Gibson: 2024's Church Accountability and 2025's New Lampstands

Pastor Brian Gibson's interview with Charisma Media delivers a stirring message about the state of the church in 2024 and [offered a hope-filled vision for 2025.](#)

Gibson didn't shy away from addressing what he described as a season of reckoning, one where "lampstands were removed, and leaders were exposed." His words cut to the core of ongoing discussions about accountability and authenticity within Christian leadership.

"2024 was a year when God's hand revealed the truth in His church," Gibson said. "We saw leaders who had built their ministries on sand instead of the solid rock of Christ crumble under the weight of their own iniquities. This wasn't about condemnation—it was about a call to repentance."

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He highlighted that the removal of "lampstands"—a biblical reference to the light and presence of God among His people—was not just about individuals but entire congregations. "When God removes a lampstand, it's because we've stopped being a beacon of His truth and started being a reflection of our culture. It's painful, but it's necessary," Gibson explained.

The pastor also touched on the impact of these exposures, calling it a "refining fire" for the global church. "Some of us didn't want to see it, but it's better for the body of Christ to be pure and holy. God is separating the wheat from the chaff," he said.

Looking forward to 2025, Gibson's tone shifted to one of hope and restoration. He prophesied that it would be a year of rebuilding and reestablishing foundations. "This is a season where we're going to see leaders rise who are humble, who walk in integrity and who carry the heart of a shepherd. God is raising up new lampstands," he said. "The Spirit is moving on leaders who've been hidden in the wilderness, preparing them to step into the light."

Gibson also emphasized unity as a key topic for 2025. "We've been divided by denominations, politics and preferences. But the time is coming when we will gather under the banner of Christ, not our individual agendas. The church will look more like the bride she was meant to be," he said.

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There is hope and optimism for the years ahead according to Gibson. "We're not done yet. God's not done yet. [The church will shine brighter than ever](#) before because He's faithful to finish the good work He started in us."

As believers step into a new year, Pastor Gibson's words serve as both a challenge and an encouragement to embrace accountability and unity, trusting that God's plans for His church remain steadfast and redemptive.

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# Kim Kardashian Faces Backlash Over 'Demonic' Christmas Video

Kim Kardashian's latest Christmas-themed video has ignited a storm of outrage, and for good reason. The video, which purportedly celebrates the holiday season, is anything but festive. Instead, it unfolds like a surreal fever dream, replete with bizarre imagery that is as irreverent as it is unsettling.

*Kim Kardashian decided working for Satanic pedophile promoting Balenciaga wasn't enough – she just had to mock Christianity with this demonic garbage two days before Christmas. I rebuke this in the name of Jesus Christ!*

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– LIZ CROKIN (@LizCrokin) [December 23, 2024](#)

In the video, Kardashian appears to move in a possibly drug-induced haze, crawling from room to room in a house filled with odd characters—some standing idly by, others engaged in strange behaviors. But what has truly set people off is [the video's grotesque portrayal of Jesus and His mother, Mary.](#)

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Mary is depicted holding the reins of a donkey, while Jesus, crowned with thorns, appears in scenes laden with blasphemous undertones. The video's inclusion of these figures in such a twisted context, capped off by grossly inappropriate sexual implications involving Santa Claus and a camcorder (played by Macaulay Culkin), is a direct affront to the Christian faith

and acceptance of sexual immorality.

This sickening distortion of Christmas is a stark reminder of the lengths to which the enemy of God will go to mock and corrupt the image of Jesus. Satan and his spiritual forces understand that Jesus is “the way, the truth, and the life” (John 14:6). [By exploiting influential celebrities like Kardashian](#) to distort and pervert truth about who Jesus really is, they aim to sow confusion and lead people astray. Such actions are not merely offensive; they are a spiritual assault on the truth of God’s Word and the sanctity of Jesus’ Lordship.



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For Christians, this video should serve as a fresh reminder of the ongoing spiritual battle against the forces of darkness. Prayer and spiritual warfare are critical in confronting such blatant displays of anti-God propaganda. Ephesians 6:12 reminds us, “For our fight is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of

the darkness of this world, and against spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.” Engaging in fervent prayer and standing firm in the full armor of God are powerful tools the Lord equipped us with against the schemes of the enemy.

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Moreover, it is imperative for Christians to engage in culture and speak out against the perversion of society. Silence in the face of such blatant mockery allows Satan to continue influencing the world unchecked. By boldly proclaiming the truth of the Gospel and actively opposing efforts to degrade godly values, the faithful can push back against the tide of spiritual decay. The responsibility lies with us to shine as lights in the darkness and be the salt of the earth as Jesus called us to be.

In a world where celebrities wield immense cultural influence, Christians must be vigilant, prayerful and vocal. The time to act is now, for if the faithful remain silent, the forces of darkness will continue their campaign to corrupt and destroy with impunity. Let this serve as a rallying cry for believers to stand firm, speak truth and fight the good fight of faith.

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# A Vision of Redemption: America's 'Superman Prophecy'

Joseph Z's prophetic interpretation of the new "Superman" movie trailer offers a powerful message for America, linking the struggles of the iconic superhero [to the nation's current turmoil](#).

In the trailer, Superman, bloodied and beaten, lies in a snow-filled crater, calling out for help. "The Lord spoke to me when I saw this," Z shares, explaining that the scene represents more than just a superhero's battle—it's a reflection of America's own crisis. "You see the nation that has been under turmoil and duress, down, beaten, bloodied... and then calling out in this moment, rescue and help is on the way."

Superman's plight mirrors the state of the country, according to Z. The character, once a symbol of "truth, justice and the American way," now represents a nation grappling with poor leadership, division and the weight of accusation.

"It's a retrofit of a former Age of Innocence," Z says of the trailer's depiction, suggesting that the ideals of the past are being revived in the face of current adversity. "Help is on the way," he declares, urging the nation to hold on to hope.

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Z emphasizes that, despite the current challenges, "the Lord is saying... help is on the way. The spirit of accusation is being broken, the spirit of persecution is being broken." His message centers on redemption—not perfection. "It's not about perfection or perfect people," he asserts. Instead, he speaks

of a restoration of both the nation and its leaders. “I believe the Lord is saying... Redemption is coming to the United States of America. He is bringing redemption to the church of Jesus Christ. He is bringing redemption to fallen leaders.”

Z also points to the urgency of the moment. “If we can get the United States between Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 all the way to July without a nuclear incident, without World War III completely full-blown in action, if we can get there... help is on the way.” He believes that God’s intervention will bring healing, not just for the nation, but for the weary, the brokenhearted and those who have stood for righteousness despite opposition. “[God is going to do a redemption...](#) He is going to bring a redemption to the United States of America.”

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According to Z, the trailer is more than just a movie preview—it’s a prophetic sign. “I had the Lord speak to me about this Superman trailer, and it represents America, leaders in the church and those that have been beat down to their knees,” he explains.

With the film’s release scheduled for July, Z’s prophetic word suggests that a pivotal moment for the nation is on the horizon. “I see help coming,” he prophesies. Just as Superman’s fall in the trailer marks the beginning of his redemption, Z believes that America is on the cusp of its own moment of restoration—a God-ordained rescue, bringing healing to the broken and renewal to the nation.

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# 10 Prophetic Insights That Could Be Game-Changers for 2025

As we prepare to step into 2025, [Bishop Alan DiDio of Encounter Today](#) delivered a stirring prophetic message during his recent interview with Charisma Media, outlining 10 crucial points for believers to consider in the coming year. His insights serve as both a call to action and a source of encouragement for the body of Christ. Here are 10 key happenings in 2025 Bishop DiDio addressed:

## 1. A Year of Divine Disruption

“God is about to disrupt the plans of the enemy in ways we cannot imagine,” DiDio declares. He likened 2025 to the biblical moments where God intervenes abruptly in human affairs. Believers, he said, should brace for unexpected turns and trust that these disruptions are orchestrated for God’s glory.

## 2. Spiritual Awakening and Revival

DiDio sees 2025 as a continuation of the spiritual hunger witnessed in recent years. “The embers of revival are already burning,” he says. “It’s time for us to fan the flame and prepare for an outpouring like we’ve never seen before.”

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## 3. A Call to Unity in the Church

The bishop emphasized the need for unity among believers, urging the church to rise above denominational divides. “In the face of growing darkness, we cannot afford to be

fragmented,” he warns. “The enemy’s strategy is division, but God’s plan is for His people to come together as one.”

#### **4. Confronting Cultural Deception**

“The spirit of deception has never been more pervasive,” DiDio says, referring to the challenges facing society. He urged Christians to stand firm in biblical truth and to combat lies with love and clarity. “Truth spoken in love will pierce the darkness,” he assures.

#### **5. The Rise of Josephs and Esthers**

DiDio believes God is positioning leaders who, like Joseph and Esther, will influence spheres of government, business and culture. “God is raising up His people to preserve nations and speak truth to power,” he declares.

#### **6. Renewed Focus on Prayer**

“Prayer will be the lifeline for believers in 2025,” DiDio emphasizes. He called for a recommitment to intercession, noting that “revival is born in the prayer closet.”

#### **7. Challenges and Perseverance**

While he spoke of revival and breakthrough, DiDio did not shy away from addressing the hardships ahead. “There will be battles,” he says. “But the key is perseverance. The church must not grow weary in doing good.”

#### **8. A Generation Rising**

“God is stirring the hearts of young people,” DiDio shares, pointing to signs of a spiritual awakening among Gen Z and Millennials. He described them as “a radical generation with an unquenchable hunger for the truth.”

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#### **9. Economic Shifts**

The bishop spoke about potential economic turbulence but urged believers not to fear. “God is our provider,” he reminded. “He will sustain His people and give wisdom to navigate these times.”

### **10. Preparation for Jesus’ Return**

“Every prophetic word and every sign is pointing to one thing: [the return of our King,](#)” DiDio says passionately. He challenged believers to live with urgency, “not in fear, but in anticipation, making every moment count for eternity.”

As we stand on the threshold of 2025, the church must awaken, unite and press into God’s presence with renewed fervor. Heeding these 10 points could transform challenges into opportunities and disruptions into divine appointments.

Entering this new year, believers can find hope in knowing that God is in control. No matter the trials or triumphs ahead, we rest in the unshakable truth of Jesus Christ, who is our anchor and ultimate victory.

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# **2024: A Year Marked by Miracles and Salvations Worldwide**

[As the year 2024 draws to a close,](#) Rabbi Kirt Schneider, the founder of the ministry Discovering the Jewish Jesus, has

shared an inspiring reflection on how God has been moving powerfully across the globe. Through his ministry, countless lives have been touched, healed and transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Rabbi Schneider's message is a stirring reminder that we serve a living Savior who is actively working in the world today.

"One of the things that stands out really big for me this year was a woman I prayed for at the NRB conference in Nashville," Rabbi Schneider shares. "She told me that after I prayed for her, she was healed of MS. When I saw her and her husband again this year, her healing was confirmed by her husband and a friend with tears in their eyes. It was thrilling to see what Jesus did."

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## **A Global Impact: Reaching Lives Worldwide**

Discovering the Jewish Jesus [has made a significant impact in 2024](#), ministering to people across various nations and witnessing miracles that affirm the power of God. Below is a list of how this ministry has reached out to people around the world:

- **Healing and Miracles:** A boy in Zambia who could neither hear nor speak was instantly healed. His sister testified, "I saw that kind of stuff on TV and didn't know if it was real, but there I was, standing next to my brother who was hearing and speaking."
- **Mass Evangelism in Africa:** In Nigeria, crowds of around 100,000 gathered to hear the Gospel. "We are fired up about the call on this ministry to minister to God's beloved children in the African nations," Rabbi Schneider said.
- **Global Outreach:** Rabbi Schneider's team has ministered

in countries like Brazil, Kenya, Haiti and many others, leading thousands to salvation and bringing the kingdom of God with great impact.

- **Prison Ministry:** DJJ has partnered with prison systems to provide access to the gospel through their app, which reaches 115,000 unique first-time users monthly. “When you’re in prison, you’re desperate and looking for help. We’re seeing lives changed behind bars,” he shared.

## Jesus Is Alive and Working Through Us

These testimonies serve as a powerful reminder that Jesus is alive and well. “When you and I, Beloved, as His sons and daughters, lay our hands on people and pray for them, miracles happen. It’s not just stories from the Bible—it’s the living Jesus working through us today,” Rabbi Schneider emphasized.



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God’s work is not limited to specific places or times. [His Spirit is moving across the world](#), and the miracles witnessed through DJJ are a testament to His power and love. As believers, we are called to participate in this work by being active in our communities, sharing the gospel and supporting ministries like DJJ.

## Looking Ahead to 2025

As we approach 2025, Rabbi Schneider’s message is filled with hope and encouragement. “Thank you for sending me,” he said to his supporters. “Without you, I could not go to these nations. The apostle Paul said, ‘How shall they go unless they are sent?’” (Rom. 10:15)

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The same God who performed miracles in 2024 will continue to do great things around the world in the coming year. Whether it's through healing, salvation or transformed lives, the power of the gospel will remain unstoppable. Rabbi Schneider gives Christians everywhere a heartfelt call to action: "This is our last chance to lift up our tithes and offerings to the Lord this year. Be faithful, be obedient, and sow into what God is doing."

## **Be Part of the Movement**

Consider how you can be part of God's work in 2025. Get involved in your local community, support ministries that are spreading the gospel and trust that God will use you to make a difference.

Jesus is alive and moving mightily in the world today. Let's step into the new year with faith and expectancy, knowing that God has great things in store for His people. Let's embrace the opportunity to partner with God in advancing His kingdom in 2025.

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# **Jeremiah Johnson's Prophetic**

# Warning: A Christmas Call for Healing

This Christmas season, Jeremiah Johnson issued a stark warning to Christians through a recent YouTube message. [Drawing from a prophetic dream](#) he said he received, Johnson highlights the spiritual dangers many face during the holidays, particularly those struggling with unhealed trauma and unresolved hurts.

Johnson's dream, which he referred to as urgent and timely, centered on what he described as "Jezebel's dungeon," a metaphorical representation of manipulation, control and emotional bondage. He warns of three specific groups of people that he saw in the dream, each vulnerable in distinct ways:

## 1. Those Facing Trials and Questions About God

Johnson explains, "There were people who had gone through severe trial in 2024 or the years 2023, 2022 ... death, disease, disaster. ... It's actually the questions and the pain through the trials." He notes how these experiences often lead to spiritual doubt and disillusionment, leaving individuals vulnerable to deeper wounds and isolation.

## 2. Those With Unhealed Trauma

"The enemy always needs a door in order to afflict the righteous," Johnson says. He emphasizes that unhealed wounds, often rooted in abuse or unresolved bitterness, provide an entry point for demonic influence. "A lot of times demons afflict us through abuse ... they have to find a way to get in." This group, he warns, often attracts others with similar unhealed trauma, creating cycles of dysfunction.

## 3. Those Vulnerable to Trickery and Deception

According to Johnson, unresolved hurts can lead to spiritual blindness, making people susceptible to

deception. “There’s trickery, there’s a spirit of deception that people are operating in and even falling prey to,” he explains. He cautions Christians to be discerning about the voices they listen to, particularly on social media, where unhealed individuals may share content rooted in bitterness rather than biblical truth.

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In response to these challenges, [Johnson urges believers](#) to proactively seek healing and wholeness. “Be on guard about what you’re liking and sharing and commenting on social media,” he advises. “Is what they’re sharing truth, or is it just triggering something that’s inside of me that God wants to heal?” He also calls for accountability and professional support, stating, “There has never been a greater need in the body of Christ for professional counselors. We need deliverance ministers, we need inner healing.”

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The holidays, Johnson explains, often amplify unresolved emotions, leading to what he describes as “the swirl”—a chaotic mix of dysfunction and offense. “You can’t let the sin around you produce sin in you,” he cautions, encouraging listeners to focus on their own healing and avoid being drawn into others’ turmoil.

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# L.A. Marzulli: Mysterious Drones Signal Spiritual Warfare

Author and researcher L.A. Marzulli, known for his work on UFOs, biblical prophecy and the supernatural, recently joined Charisma Media to discuss [the rise of mysterious drones](#) spotted across the United States.

These sightings, shrouded in government secrecy and speculation, raise not only national security concerns but also spiritual questions about deception and leadership in the modern age. Marzulli's insights, coupled with biblical wisdom, reveal a chilling scenario of hidden threats and the pressing need for truth.

"Let's talk about the drones because this is really catching a lot of people's attention," Marzulli began during a recent conversation with Charisma Media. "Anytime there's something up in the sky and we don't know what it is, I mean, this is technically a UFO. It's unidentified." While some speculate about extraterrestrial origins, Marzulli posits a more terrestrial and nefarious explanation: "I think the drones could be sniffers—they're flying looking for spikes in radioactivity. If they find a spike, they send in ground forces."

*NEW: Belleville, New Jersey mayor Michael Melham says radioactive material in New Jersey went missing on December 2nd.*

*The mayor suggested the material may have come through Port*

Newark.

*“We’re aware of a threat that came in through Port Newark. Maybe that's radioactive... [pic.twitter.com/Hzd06X2S9j](https://pic.twitter.com/Hzd06X2S9j)*

– Collin Rugg (@CollinRugg) [December 17, 2024](#)

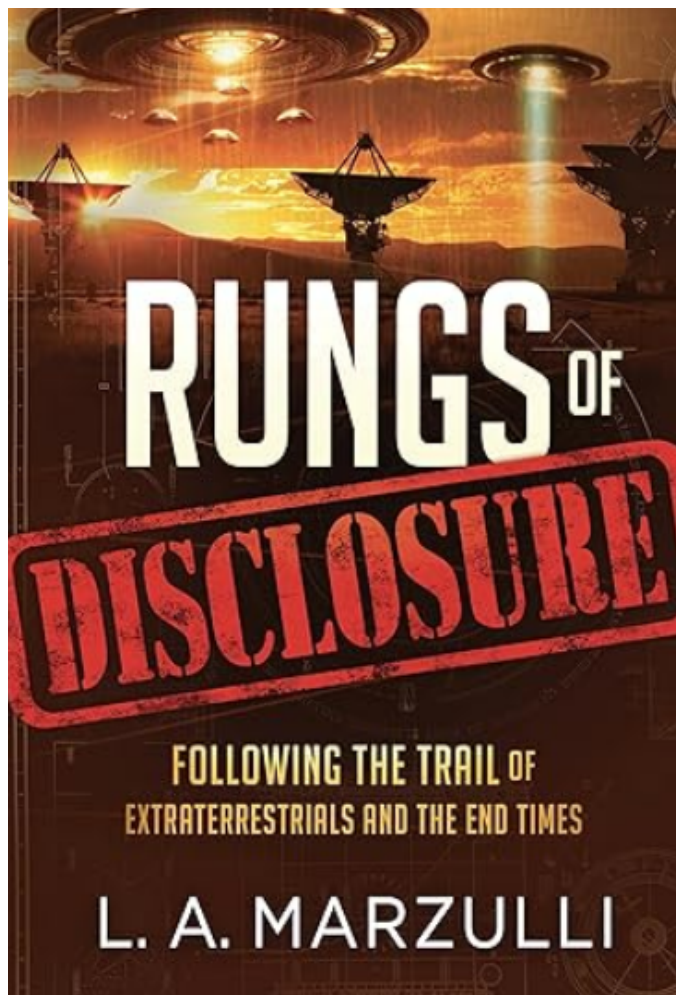
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According to Marzulli, these drones may be part of an operation to locate so-called “suitcase nukes,” small-scale nuclear devices potentially smuggled into the country. While he does not provide direct evidence for this claim, he references historical reports of such weapons being sold on the black market following the collapse of the Soviet Union.

He elaborates, “When the former Soviet Union collapsed, scientists sold these suitcase nukes on the black market. Terrorist organizations could have bought them and planted them in U.S. cities.” He warns, “If one goes off, it changes everything. Now we’re looking at martial law, quarantines and the complete shutdown of society.”

The implications of such scenarios are profound, both physically and spiritually. On a physical level, the deployment of drones hints at sophisticated measures taken to counter potential threats, such as tracking radioactive signatures. These actions show the precarious balance between national security and public transparency. Spiritually, the use of secrecy and fear as tools of control aligns with biblical warnings about deception in the end times. This dual manifestation reveals a deeper struggle—one that challenges individuals to discern truth amid pervasive uncertainty. Marzulli argues that the government’s lack of transparency exacerbates public distrust. “The military knows exactly what

they're looking at; otherwise, these things would be blown out of the sky," he said. "[Why aren't they being straight with the American people?](#) If you told people the truth, it would create mass panic."



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The apostle Paul cautioned in 2 Thessalonians 2:11, "Therefore God shall send them a strong delusion, that they should believe the lie." Marzulli believes this delusion is part of the "[coming great deception](#)" involving UFO phenomena and interdimensional entities [demons and fallen angels] masquerading as "space brothers." He said, "These are not extraterrestrials. They are interdimensional entities with a nefarious agenda."

Deceptive leadership is nothing new, but Scripture repeatedly warns against it. Proverbs 29:12 states, "If a ruler listens

to lies, all his servants are wicked.” When governments operate in secrecy, failing to address concerns openly, they pave the way for panic and deception to flourish. Marzulli shows the dire need for leaders to govern transparently and truthfully, fostering trust rather than fear.

Marzulli also connects these events to prophetic signs, pointing out that the increase in UFO activity since Israel’s rebirth as a nation in 1948 signals a fulfillment of biblical prophecy. He emphasizes that this timeline aligns with a broader spiritual awakening and a heightened clash between divine purposes and deceptive forces. “When Israel becomes a nation in 1948, the entire UFO phenomenon takes off,” he said. “The enemy [Satan] knows he’s in the window of time where this is it. These events could trigger the greatest climate of fear humanity has ever experienced.”

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As these drones continue to patrol the skies over states such as New Jersey, questions remain: Are they monitoring threats to our safety, or are they harbingers of something far more sinister? While Marzulli acknowledges he doesn’t have “intel” from official sources, his observations are rooted in critical thinking and spiritual discernment. “I’m just looking at what I’m seeing and applying critical thinking,” he said. “If these were hostiles, the government would be blasting these things out of the air.”

In times of uncertainty, the Bible offers a guiding principle: “You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32). The church must remain vigilant, discerning between truth and deception in all corners of society. As Marzulli aptly puts it, “UFOs are real and not going away. This is the coming great deception.”

If these drones are searching for radioactive threats, they symbolize the larger spiritual battle at play—a battle between truth and lies, light and darkness. As Christians, we must hold our leaders accountable while preparing spiritually for what Marzulli describes as a “very, very strange moment in time.”

The mystery of the drones may remain unsolved for now, but the urgency to seek truth—both earthly and eternal—has never been greater.

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## **A Holiday Discovery: Could This Be the Final Resting Place of Saint Nicholas?**

The recent discovery of a limestone sarcophagus at the Church of St. Nicholas in Demre, Antalya, Turkey, has stirred global intrigue [just in time for Christmas.](#)

Believed to be the original burial site of Saint Nicholas—the 4th-century bishop whose life inspired the Santa Claus legend—this archaeological find offers a rare glimpse into history. Yet, as we marvel at this discovery, it’s essential to reflect on the deeper meaning of Christmas.

According to Associate Professor Ebru Fatma Findik, who leads the “Legacy for the Future Project” under Turkey’s Ministry of Culture and Tourism, the sarcophagus’s characteristics align

with burial styles from the time. “Our biggest hope is to find an inscription on the sarcophagus,” she said, noting it could confirm its occupant’s identity and dating. Measuring two meters in length, with a pitched roof and raised lid, the sarcophagus was uncovered in the church’s annex, lending credibility to its historical significance.

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Saint Nicholas was a man of faith, generosity and miraculous intercessions. Born in the ancient city of Myra (now Demre), he became Bishop of Myra and died in A.D. 343. Over time, his relics were relocated, most notably to Bari, Italy, and Venice. However, this latest discovery suggests that his original resting place was near the very church named after him, as reported by Archaeology News.

“The fact that we have found a sarcophagus near the church, thought to house his tomb, may indicate that this is indeed the sacred area we have been searching for,” Dr. Findik explained. Fragments of clay lamps and animal bones uncovered at the site further attest to its historic use as a burial ground.

While the archaeological findings celebrate Saint Nicholas’ legacy as a patron saint of children and sailors, they also invite a deeper reflection on the true meaning of Christmas. Though the image of Santa Claus has evolved into a symbol of gift-giving and festive cheer, [the heart of the holiday](#) is not about material generosity but about the birth of Jesus Christ.

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Christmas commemorates the incarnation of God—the moment when Jesus entered the world to offer salvation to all of humanity. The story of Saint Nicholas, known for his acts of charity,

mirrors this divine generosity. Yet, the greater gift lies in the promise of eternal life through Christ. As Luke 2:11 proclaims, “For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

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## **Are We Living in the Days of Noah? A Prophetic Look at Our World Today**

In a mind-blowing interview on Prophecy Watchers, Steve Quayle and Gary Stearman delved into topics often dismissed but increasingly difficult to ignore: ancient giants, supernatural portals and the implications of artificial intelligence.

Their discussion points to a biblical warning meant for our time: the days of Noah are returning, and Christians must remain vigilant.

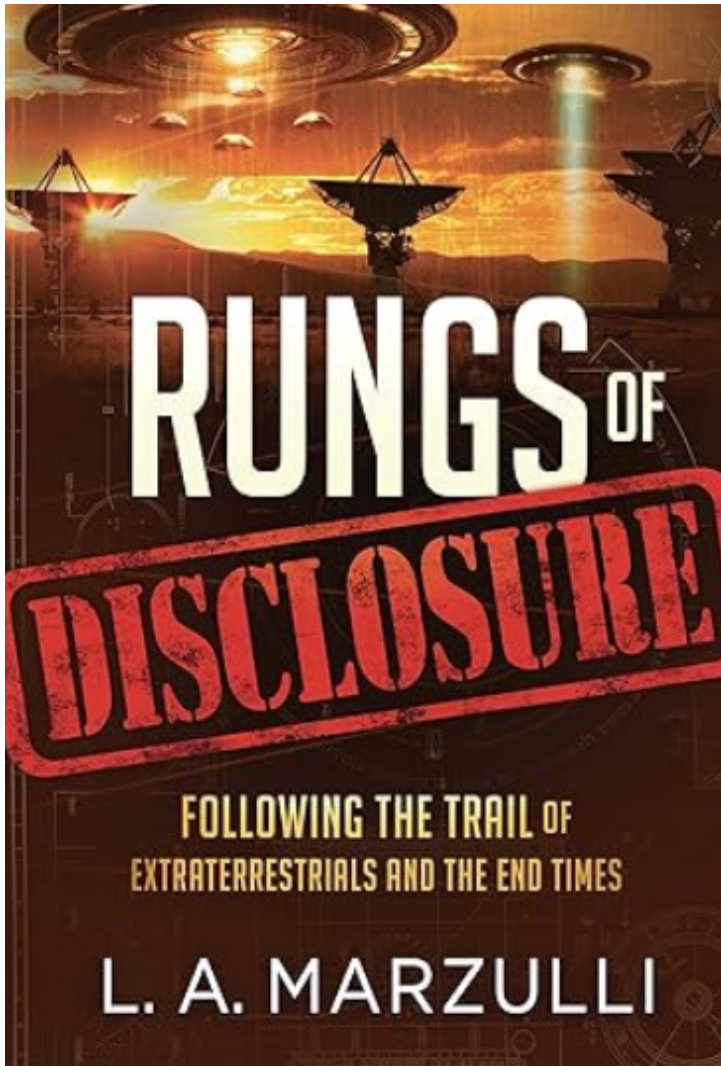
“The entire concept of false narratives within the Christian church, especially regarding Genesis 6, has distorted our understanding of biblical truths,” Quayle said. He pointed to the grandeur of ancient Egyptian monuments, arguing that their scale [was likely designed for giants](#), not “just a pharaoh claiming to be bigger than life.” Quayle asserted, “Under the

Giza Plateau, there is the city of giants ... 100 square miles of massive architecture built to giant dimensions.”

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Such claims might sound far-fetched to some, but they resonate with Scriptural accounts of the Nephilim, described in Genesis 6:4: “The sons of God came in to the daughters of men, and they bore children to them.” Stearman added, “As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man” (Luke 17:26), pointing to Jesus’ warning about the conditions of the last days.

Their conversation expanded to modern phenomena, including UFO sightings, unexplained orbs and spirals in the sky. Stearman noted, “The standard denial no longer exists ... we can no longer ignore it or deny it.” These occurrences, they argued, could be linked to ancient practices of tribes performing rituals [to open portals for “gods”](#) to enter our realm. “We’ve heard about chants that open various portals, and they court the gods who then have conversations with human beings,” Quayle said.



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The interview also tackled the advent of artificial intelligence and its role in what Henry Kissinger allegedly called a new era of "superhuman people" controlling Earth. "We've now reached the era when we are able to open time-space gates to some other dimension," Quayle claimed, linking AI's promises of god-like knowledge to the serpent's deception in Eden: "You will be like God" (Gen. 3:5).

Quayle reflected on humanity's drive for immortality, citing transhumanist Zoltan Istvan: "At the heart of every transhumanist is [a desire] not to die and to live forever." He cautioned Christians to recognize the danger of seeking eternal life apart from God. "Man's lust for eternal life in a context that is not biblical reveals their rebellion against

God's plan," he said.

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Quayle and Stearman's discussion serves as a wake-up call for Christians. In a world increasingly saturated with technological advancements, supernatural phenomena and deceptive narratives, believers must ground themselves in Scripture. Jesus' teachings and warnings about the last days, as in the days of Noah, call us to spiritual readiness.

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