

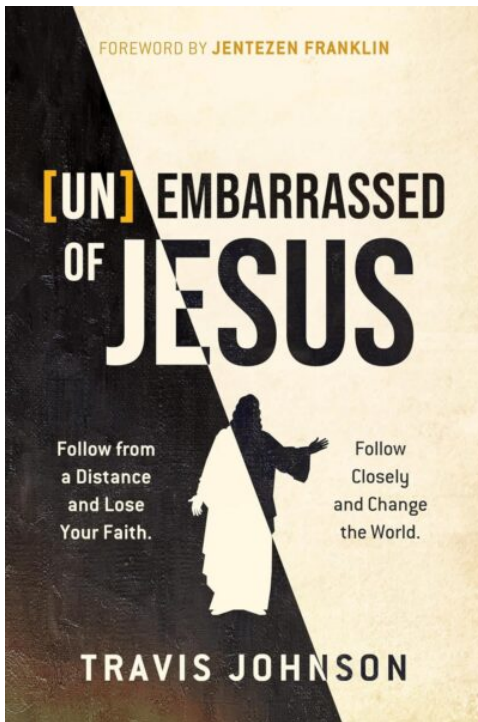
# Travis Johnson Says Following Jesus 'At a Distance' Will Cost You Your Faith

[Pastor Travis Johnson](#) is urging Christians to stop keeping Jesus at arm's length. Appearing on Ministry Now on Daystar, Johnson said the modern church is in danger of repeating Peter's mistake by following Christ "at a distance" rather than with bold conviction.

Citing Luke 22, Johnson pointed to the moment after Jesus' arrest when "Peter followed him at a distance." He argued that this single phrase reveals the beginning of spiritual collapse.

"If you follow Jesus from a distance, you'll lose your faith. If you follow him closely, you'll change the world," Johnson said.

He admitted that he once struggled with what he called a "respectable faith." As a young pastor meeting with potential clients, he bowed his head to pray but covered his face as if he had a headache so no one would notice. "It's embarrassing," he said. ***"I can't even actually I wish I had not told that to everybody right now."***



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Johnson said many believers attempt to balance cultural approval with spiritual identity. But he rejected the idea that Christianity can remain socially neutral. "Church isn't a TED talk and our faith isn't a social club," he said. "He's either Lord of all or He's not at all."

Using Peter as a case study, Johnson described what he called [three stages of an embarrassed Christian](#). First comes being "respectably distant," where faith is softened to avoid offense. Next is being "variably committed," where believers choose which parts of Scripture to follow. The final stage is outright denial.

"We talk a lot about deconstruction right now. When I was younger, we just called that backsliding," he said.

Johnson said Peter's restoration began with the resurrection. As a teenager, Johnson wrestled with whether Jesus was truly divine and even historically real. Studying history and the martyrdom of the disciples convinced him otherwise.

“Why would Peter die for Jesus if he was dead? He wasn’t. He was alive,” Johnson said. “Jesus is not in the grave.”

That conviction, he said, transforms embarrassment into boldness. He pointed to Acts 2, where Peter, once ashamed, “stepped forward with the 11 others” and preached with power.

“When you stand with Jesus, you will never stand alone,” Johnson said.

Johnson also sees signs of renewed spiritual hunger, particularly among Gen Z. He said rising Bible sales and church attendance signal opportunity. “Faith is back in style. Family is back in style and freedom’s back in style and there’s a window over heaven that’s open with an opportunity for revival,” he said.

Still, he emphasized that revival begins with personal surrender. “A person with a testimony is never at the mercy of someone with an argument,” he said. “Your best ability is your availability to Jesus.”

Johnson’s message was direct. Lukewarm faith leads to drift. Bold faith changes lives. Christians, he said, must decide whether they will sit at a distance or step forward in power.

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# John and Lisa Bevere Warn About the Hidden Danger Facing Many Christians

God will not sustain a double life. What is hidden in private does not stay hidden forever, and no amount of talent can compensate for a lack of integrity. In a recent podcast episode, [John and Lisa Bevere](#) addressed the issue of character, arguing that private obedience determines whether public influence can endure.

Lisa Bevere framed the conversation with a direct question: Who are you “when nobody is looking”? She described character as who a person is when there is “no benefit” attached. Public failure, she said, usually begins with private compromise. What people eventually see is the result of something that was already growing beneath the surface.

John Bevere reflected on a prayer they prayed early in ministry that their gifting would never “outpace” their character. Influence can grow quickly, he said, but integrity develops slowly. “Gifting will not carry you,” he said. “Character is what carries you.” When opportunity expands faster than maturity, collapse becomes more likely.

They pointed to Scripture for examples. King Uzziah’s downfall was visible to everyone, but pride had already taken root in his heart. The outward consequence followed an inward shift. Hidden attitudes such as pride, anger or self-reliance eventually surface.

The discussion then turned to hardship. Asking God to form Christlike character, John Bevere said, often leads into seasons that are painful. He shared how intense trials exposed anger he did not know was present. God compared it to refining gold. The furnace does not create impurities. It brings them to the top. Once they are visible, they can either be owned and removed or pushed back down.

Lisa Bevere described trials as “trainers.” Citing James 1, she said pressure forces faith “into the open” and shows its true condition. Avoiding the lesson only leads to repeating it. Growth comes from letting the process finish its work.

They also emphasized timing. [Planting comes before harvest.](#) Much of a character’s development happens in seasons when there is effort but little recognition. Skipping that preparation weakens what follows. Spiritual maturity, like physical training, is built through consistency long before the moment of testing.

Opposition has its place as well. Goliath revealed David. Pharaoh revealed Moses. Resistance often shows whether someone will respond in godliness or react in the flesh. Holiness reflects devotion to God. Godliness is revealed in how a person treats others, especially under pressure.

Throughout the episode, the focus remained on personal responsibility. Trials are not random interruptions but opportunities to deal with what lies beneath the surface. Private faithfulness shapes public endurance. When God allows the heat, it is not to shame but to strengthen, ensuring that what stands in the spotlight has first been formed in secret.

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# Dying Ministers and the End of an Era: A Prophetic Pattern Revealed?

As several well-known ministers of the gospel have passed away in recent years, many believers have felt the weight of a generational shift. But in a recent message, Perry Stone suggested that what we are witnessing may be more than the natural aging of leaders. He asked a bold question: Could the deaths of key ministers be prophetic signals that [we are nearing the end of the age?](#)

## The Methuselah Connection

Stone pointed to the days of Noah to explain what he believes could be unfolding now.

“Right before the Flood of Noah, there was one man left who was truly prophetic. His name was Methuselah, and he died seven days before the Flood came,” Stone said. “He was a sign of what was coming in the end.”

In Stone's view, Methuselah's death was not random. It marked a countdown. He suggested that the passing of certain chosen leaders in our time may carry similar meaning. When God assigns someone to a generation, their life and even their death can signal a shift.

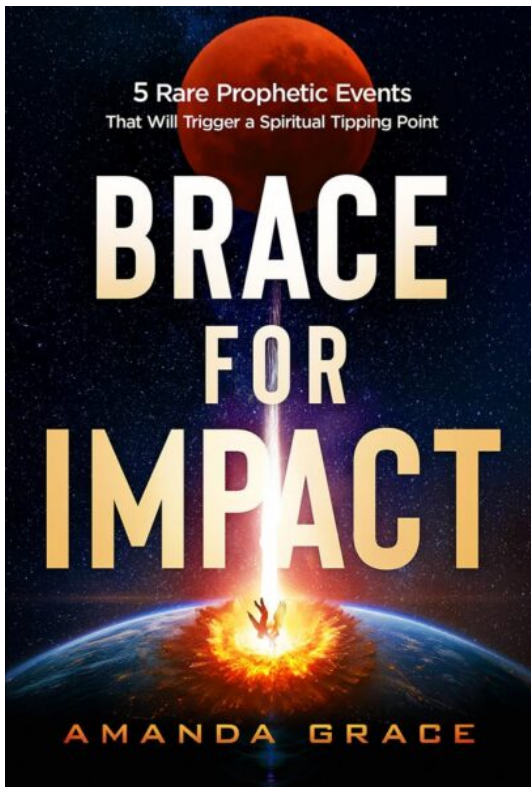
# Called vs. Chosen

Stone centered part of his message on Matthew 20:16. "Many are called, but few are chosen."

"When you look up this word called... it means to be invited," he said. "God calls people. He invites them into the kingdom." But he made clear that being chosen is different. "That word in Greek means selected... God's elect means those who are selected for an assignment to their particular generation for a particular purpose."

According to Stone, certain ministers are not only called to preach but are [selected to carry an assignment for their era.](#) "God protects the assignment, and sometimes God covers the person," he said. If they drift from that assignment, "God will have to spank you," referring to biblical chastisement.

He listed the traits that set apart those who are chosen for major assignments: faithfulness, truthfulness, obedience, sacrifice and the ability to hear and respond quickly to God. "God looks at faithfulness," Stone said. "If you're faithful over little things... I'll make you ruler over many things."



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## Revival Cycles and Israel's Prophetic Clock

Stone then walked through major spiritual turning points in American history and connected them to events in Israel.

"When Israel became a nation in 1948... the healing revival hit the United States," he said. He described the powerful healing meetings of that era as part of a larger prophetic wave.

He also pointed to 1967, when Israel recaptured Jerusalem. "Great prophecy being fulfilled," he said, referencing the Six Day War. What followed, he noted, was the Charismatic Renewal that spread across denominations.

"We see that these outpourings of the Spirit... come in cycles," Stone said.

In his view, revival movements rise at key prophetic moments.

God raises up leaders to carry those moves. When those leaders begin to pass away, it can mark the close of that chapter.

## A Remaining Sign

Stone built anticipation around one prominent older minister who is still living. He said he would explain “why his life and his living and being alive right now as an older man is prophetically significant.”

The implication was clear. Just as Methuselah’s death came shortly before the Flood, the passing of certain remaining spiritual fathers could signal a major prophetic shift.

“Anybody ready for this?” he asked the crowd.

## What It Could Mean

Stone did not announce dates or predict a specific event. Instead, he suggested that the timing of these losses may matter. If God assigns leaders to specific generations and if revival comes in cycles tied to Israel’s prophetic timeline, then the fading of a generation could mean something significant.

If that pattern holds, the church may be standing at a turning point.

The larger question is not only who will replace these voices, but what era comes next. If the final leaders of a revival generation are nearing the end of their race, believers may need to pay attention. According to Stone, history shows that when God closes one chapter, another often begins. The issue is whether the church will recognize the moment when it arrives.

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## **Jeremiah 49 Prophecy: Are We Watching Iran's Judgment Unfold?**

As tensions between Israel and Iran dominate global headlines and the Islamic Republic faces mounting military pressure and internal unrest, author and Middle East analyst Joel Rosenberg is urging believers to step back and view the crisis through a biblical lens.

On a recent episode of The Rosenberg Report, he posed a sobering question: "Are we watching the prophecies of Jeremiah 49 come to pass?"

Rosenberg pointed directly to Jeremiah 49:34-39, a passage he described as "an absolutely fascinating" yet often overlooked prophecy concerning "Elam," [the ancient name for modern day Iran](#). He noted that both Jeremiah 49 and Ezekiel 38 and 39 speak of events unfolding "in the last days," raising the possibility that current geopolitical shifts are prophetically significant.

"Behold, I am going to break the bow of Elam, the finest of their might," Rosenberg read from the New American Standard

Bible. He explained that in ancient warfare, the bow represented offensive military power. In modern terms, he said, it speaks to missile systems and strategic weapons capabilities.

“What God is saying for sure is He’s going to destroy the military might, the offensive military might of the Iranians,” Rosenberg said.

Pointing to recent strikes on Iranian nuclear and missile infrastructure, he argued that “you could make a strong argument” that Israel and the United States have already begun breaking that bow. While acknowledging Iran still retains some capabilities, Rosenberg said the regime’s offensive strength has been significantly weakened.

Jeremiah 49 also declares that Elam will be scattered “to the four winds.” Rosenberg connected that prophecy to the 1979 Islamic Revolution and the massive Iranian diaspora that followed. “We have seen an Iranian diaspora,” he said, noting that millions of Iranians have fled to the United States, Europe, South America and beyond over the past four decades. He believes this portion of the prophecy has already been fulfilled or is in the process of fulfillment.

The passage goes further, declaring that God will bring calamity in His “fierce anger.” Rosenberg emphasized the gravity of that language.

“If you face the fierce anger of God, you are facing judgment,” he said, adding that the judgment is directed at the regime’s leadership, not the Iranian people themselves.

Jeremiah 49:38 contains one of the most dramatic statements in

the chapter: "I will destroy out of it king and princes." Rosenberg did not hesitate in his interpretation.

"That's regime change, people," he said. "God is saying He will bring regime change in the last days of history."

According to Rosenberg, God may use internal unrest, foreign adversaries or other means to accomplish that end. He stressed that while nations such as the United States and Israel may play a role, the prophecy presents God as the ultimate sovereign actor orchestrating events.

Yet the prophecy does not end with judgment.

Jeremiah 49:38 also declares, ["I will set My throne in Elam."](#) Rosenberg believes this points not to a political capital but to a spiritual transformation. While other passages clearly place the Messiah's earthly throne in Jerusalem, he said this verse signals something different for Iran.

"What God is saying is He's going to put the spiritual epicenter of Christianity in Iran," Rosenberg explained.

He described what he believes is already the beginning of a historic spiritual awakening. In 1979, he said, there were roughly 500 Muslim background believers in all of Iran. Today, he said, millions have left Islam and come to faith in Jesus Christ.

"There is literally no place in the entire Middle East or North Africa where as many Muslims are leaving Islam and coming to faith in Jesus Christ as inside Iran," Rosenberg said.

He called it "super exciting" and described it as the first fruits of a much larger movement. If God sets His throne spiritually in Iran, Rosenberg believes the nation will shift from exporting radical Islam to exporting the gospel.

"When they get converted and dramatically transformed by Jesus

Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, they are going to become revolutionaries for a different cause," he said. "Not for radical or apocalyptic Islam, but for Jesus, for the gospel."

The final verse of Jeremiah 49 promises restoration. "It will come about in the last days that I will restore the fortunes of Elam," the Lord declares.

Rosenberg sees this as both political and spiritual restoration. After judgment and regime change, he believes God will bless the Iranian people and bring liberation from oppression.

"I want to see not just the political liberation of the Iranian people," Rosenberg said. "I want to see the spiritual liberation of the Iranian people."

As missiles fly and alliances shift, Rosenberg is calling believers to discern the times. If Jeremiah 49 is indeed unfolding, the crisis in Iran is not merely geopolitical. It is prophetic.

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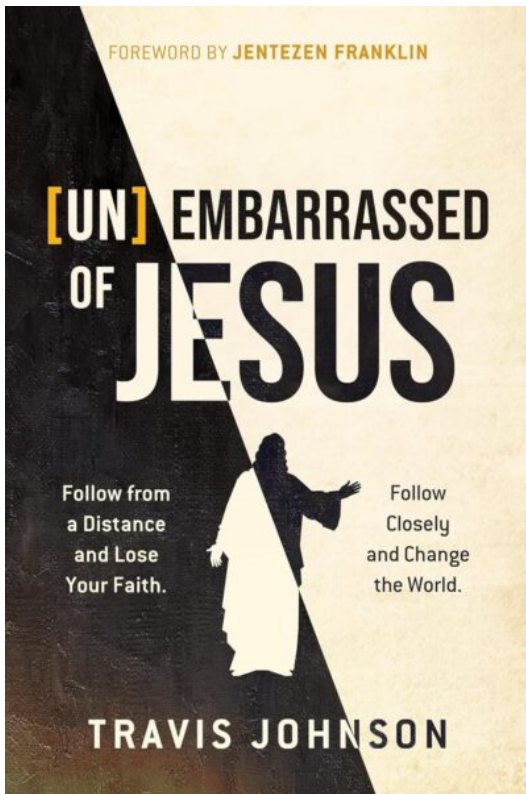
# Official Teaser for Carman: The Movie Drops, First Look at His Incredible Story

A powerful new chapter in the story of [Contemporary Christian music icon Carman Licciardello](#) is officially underway.

CCM Magazine has premiered the exclusive teaser trailer for Carman: The Movie, giving fans their first look at a documentary that promises to celebrate the life, ministry and lasting impact of one of Christian music's most unforgettable pioneers.

The film tells the story of a "street-fighting Italian kid who grew up in New Jersey in the 1960s" who would go on to become the biggest performer in Christian music. From humble and difficult beginnings to sold-out arenas across the nation, the documentary captures the bold faith and fearless creativity that defined Carman's career.

The teaser describes him in striking terms: "Evangelist. Performer. Provocateur. Loved by millions. Criticized by many. Imitated by none." It declares, "The legend is bigger than the music. The story is finally being told."



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The energy surrounding the premiere is unmistakable. For millions who packed stadiums, memorized dramatic monologues and sang along to anthems like "The Champion," this documentary represents more than nostalgia. It is a long-awaited tribute to a man who reshaped the landscape of Christian entertainment and used every spotlight as a platform for the Gospel.

Produced with the involvement of Jack Vale of Vale Vision, the film spans decades and explores both the triumphs and the convictions that fueled Carman's ministry. The teaser signals a project that refuses to let his story fade into history.

Carman, born Carman Domenic Licciardello on Jan. 19, 1956, in Trenton, New Jersey, rose to prominence in the 1980s and 1990s with theatrical concerts that blended music, storytelling and evangelism. He earned multiple Dove Awards, Grammy nominations and was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame. Known for record-setting attendance at Christian concerts and for songs

that boldly proclaimed biblical truth, Carman became one of the most recognizable figures in CCM history.

He died on Feb. 16, 2021, at age 65, following complications related to surgery [after years of health battles](#). Yet his influence continues to echo through generations of believers and artists alike.

With the release of this official teaser, the story of Carman's life and legacy is stepping back into the spotlight where it belongs.

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## **Jack Hibbs Warns: The Return of the Old Gods Signals a Coming Demonic Invasion**

Are the ancient gods returning to the modern world? Not carved in stone or worshiped in temples of marble, but reemerging through cultural decay, spiritual deception and a growing fascination with the supernatural. What once seemed confined to the pages of the Old Testament now appears to be resurfacing in Western civilization.

Pastor Jack Hibbs believes the evidence is no longer subtle.

["The demons are back,"](#) Hibbs said plainly. "These are not new demons. These are not manufactured demons. These are the old gods of the ancient pagan world."

According to Hibbs, what Scripture warned about is unfolding in real time. The diminishing influence of biblical Christianity in the West has created a vacuum, and that vacuum is being filled. As the light of the gospel weakens in America and Europe, darkness advances. He described this moment as the "return of the gods," referring to the same demonic forces that operated in Babylon and throughout the pagan world.

The Bible never presented idols as harmless symbols. The apostle Paul warned in 1 Corinthians 10 that what pagans sacrifice "they sacrifice to demons and not to God." Hibbs emphasized that idols can serve as points of demonic activity, not because the object has power in itself, but because spirits operate behind it. "To deny the existence of the demonic world is to deny the words of Jesus Christ Himself," he said.

Jesus Himself affirmed the reality of demons. In Matthew 12, Christ described unclean spirits seeking embodiment and returning if a person remains spiritually empty. Hibbs underscored that this is not allegory. It is instruction. The spiritual realm is real, active and engaged.

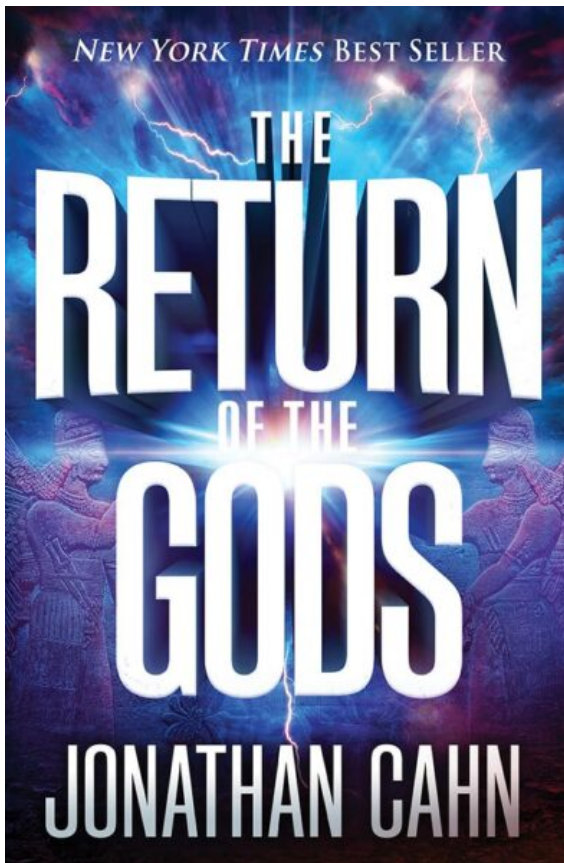
Throughout his message, Hibbs returned to Revelation 13 and the coming Antichrist system. He suggested that the image of the beast may involve advanced technology and artificial intelligence, yet ultimately be animated by spiritual forces. "Is it possible that the image of the beast becomes possessed by a demon spirit?" he asked, arguing that such a scenario aligns with Scripture's warnings.

Hibbs also noted the ongoing congressional hearings on unidentified aerial phenomena and raised the possibility that

some unexplained manifestations could involve fallen angelic deception. He cautioned against sensationalism but insisted believers must view world events through a biblical lens.

The message was not theoretical. Hibbs recounted a ministry encounter involving occult objects that he believes [served as entry points for demonic activity](#) in a family's home. After those items were destroyed, the disturbances ceased. The experience reinforced his conviction that the demonic realm operates behind seemingly ordinary objects and practices.

His warning echoes themes explored in detail by Jonathan Cahn in his New York Times best-selling book *Return of the Gods*. Cahn traces how the ancient deities that once led Israel into rebellion against God have reemerged in modern America through cultural movements and moral collapse. From a biblical perspective, the spiritual forces that demanded child sacrifice and sexual immorality in antiquity have resurfaced in new forms across society. Hibbs' declaration that "the demons are back" aligns with that same conclusion. The gods of old have not disappeared. They have returned.



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Hibbs stressed that the answer is not fear but fidelity. Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil and to give life more abundantly. The solution is repentance, biblical conviction and unwavering belief in the authority of Scripture.

"Do you really believe in all of the Bible?" Hibbs asked. That question now confronts the modern church. If Scripture is true, then the battle described within its pages is not ancient history. It is present reality.

The return of the old gods is not mythology. It is the spiritual backdrop of a culture that has exchanged truth for deception.

And as Hibbs warned, believers must recognize the hour, stand firm in the Word of God and refuse to be spiritually passive in a time of growing darkness.

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# **Tumbler Ridge School Shooting: Exposing the Demonic Pattern Behind Modern Massacres**

The mass killing at Tumbler Ridge Secondary School in British Columbia has left Canada reeling and searching for answers after eight people were slaughtered, including the gunman's mother and stepbrother.

According to the New York Post, Jesse Van Rootselaar, 18, first carried out a deadly attack at a private residence before [continuing the carnage at the school](#). Six people were found dead inside the building. His mother, identified by CTV News as 39-year-old Jennifer Strang, and his 11-year-old stepbrother were discovered dead at the home. Roughly 25 others were wounded. Authorities said Van Rootselaar died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald said Van Rootselaar was "born a biological male ... who approximately six years ago began to transition to female, and identified as female." An initial alert described the suspect

as a “female in a dress.”

McDonald said the teen was known to authorities and that police had visited the family home “several times over the years” over concerns about his mental health. Firearms had previously been seized but were later returned to the lawful owner after a successful petition. A long gun and a modified handgun were recovered at the school, though police have not confirmed whether they were the same weapons.

The massacre ranks among the deadliest in Canadian history.

In the aftermath, commentator Alex Jones offered a stark spiritual interpretation. “Demon possession is real,” Jones wrote. He argued that instead of confronting what he described as a spiritual crisis, authorities “knowingly weaponized the entity and turned it loose.” He claimed Canadian health officials “convinced Jesse he was Trans & pumped him full of Hormone puberty blockers & a whole heap of other medication,” adding, “They literally poisoned his body & mind instead of getting him the help he actually needed.”

*Demon possession is real.*

*Instead of calling an exorcist, the left knowingly weaponized the entity and turned it loose..*

*This is Jesse Van Rootselaar – The 18 Year Old Trans Shooter who murdered at least 10 people at Tumbler Ridge School yesterday in Canada.*

*Instead of... <https://t.co/YfZoQDrkmf>  
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*– Alex Jones (@RealAlexJones) [February 12, 2026](#)*

Jones’ language is blunt and often controversial. Yet his core assertion that spiritual forces operate behind acts of extreme

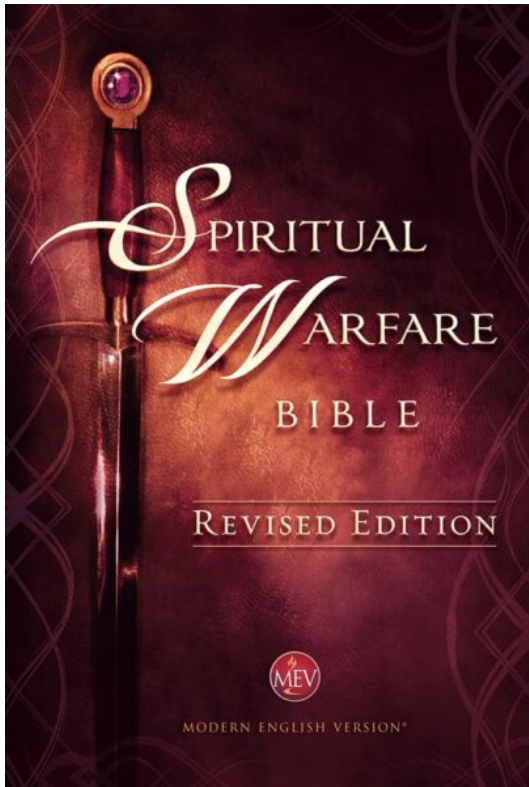
violence is not foreign to Scripture. The modern media rarely entertains that dimension, leaving discussions limited to policy failures, mental health systems and political narratives.

The Bible presents a sobering account of spiritual oppression in Mark 5:1–20. A man possessed by an unclean spirit lived among the tombs, cutting himself and crying out day and night. He exhibited strength beyond human limits and tormented himself. When Jesus confronted the spirits, they identified themselves as “Legion: for we are many.” After Christ cast them out, the man was found “sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind” in verse 15.

This account is not mythology. It is a demonstration that evil spirits can torment, distort and drive human beings toward self-destruction and violence. Ignoring that reality does not neutralize it. It only gives demonic forces a free path to torture souls and push the vulnerable into madness.

Recent tragedies underscore the pattern. [At Covenant School in Nashville in 2023](#), a transgender shooter targeted a Christian school and murdered children and staff. At Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis, more transgender violence shattered a faith community. Now Tumbler Ridge Secondary School joins that grim list.

Each case involves layers of psychological distress, ideological confusion and moral collapse. Yet Scripture teaches that our battle “is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers,” as Ephesians 6:12 states.



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To reduce such atrocities to policy debates alone is to miss the deeper war that rages in the spiritual realm.

The Christian response is not hysteria or hatred but truth and spiritual discernment. Christ came "to preach deliverance to the captives," as Luke 4:18 declares. The demoniac of Gadara was not mocked or politicized. He was set free.

If society refuses to acknowledge the supernatural battlefield, it leaves interpretation of evil either to silence or to fringe voices. The church cannot afford that vacuum. Prayer, repentance and the proclamation of the gospel remain the only lasting answer to the darkness that manifests in horrific acts like those witnessed in British Columbia.

Ignoring the demonic does not make it disappear. It leaves broken souls without deliverance and communities vulnerable to the next eruption of evil.

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## **Temple Mount Update: What's Happening in Jerusalem Signals the Prophetic Hour**

After nearly 2,000 years buried beneath layers of destruction, the ancient Pilgrimage Road leading from the Pool of Siloam [to the Temple Mount](#) has reopened to the public, marking a historic moment in Jerusalem's unfolding story.

The update was highlighted in a recent video by Keresh Art Israel, which documented the newly accessible pathway once traveled by Jewish pilgrims ascending to the Temple.

"For 2,000 years, this road has been inaccessible," the video states. "It's been buried under layers of destruction. Now it's open. Now we have a path to the Temple. We just need to walk it."

The road begins at the Pool of Siloam, where Jewish worshipers in the Second Temple period would ritually purify themselves before ascending toward the House of the Lord. Today, visitors can once again trace that same route, step by step, toward Har Habayit, the Temple Mount.

"It was here where a road led God's people to their Creator,"

U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio said during remarks played from the opening ceremony. "It was here that a road that led them to be as close as they possibly could, not just to the Creator of our species, but of the heavens and the earth and all the universe."

Rubio reflected on the rise and fall of empires that once conquered Jerusalem.

"As you go through the layers of history, you realize that all the civilizations that conquered this city, all the ones who tore it down and build on top are all gone," he said. "The Roman Empire is no more, nor any of the others that sought to conquer and rule this land. But one people remain. They have returned, for God's promise is eternal and it is perfect and His word is always true."

The reopened path leads worshipers to the southwestern corner of the Temple Mount near Robinson's Arch, one of the ancient entrances before the Roman destruction in A.D. 70. Though access today is limited, Jewish visitors continue to ascend via the wooden bridge at the Mughrabi Gate, the only entrance currently permitted for Jewish access.

[On the eastern side of the Temple Mount,](#) Jews were seen praying and studying Torah near the area long associated with the entrance to the Holy of Holies. "This is the final ascent to the peak of the mountain to the Holy of Holies where the Temple will stand," the video declares. "Today obviously we have not yet built it, but there's still one part of the service that we can do, and that is to bow down to Hashem on the Har Habayit."

Plans announced during the opening ceremony point toward even

greater developments. A new Kedem Center is expected to serve as a gateway to the Old City, allowing “millions to once again walk this road.” A cable car system is projected to bring 3,000 people per hour to the area.

“When the Third Temple is built, not only Jews, but people from all the nations of the world will come here by plane, by train, by cable car to serve God together here on this mountain,” the video states.

The growing movement toward renewed Temple worship stands in sharp contrast to theological systems that deny the literal fulfillment of end times prophecy. Scripture speaks plainly. The prophets foretold Israel’s regathering. They foretold Jerusalem’s restoration. They foretold a Temple standing once again in the last days.

Those promises are not metaphors. They are realities unfolding before the eyes of the world.

The reopening of the Pilgrimage Road is not merely an archaeological achievement. It is a visible reminder that God’s covenant with Israel endures. The Jewish people have returned. Jerusalem is thriving. Temple-focused education and preparation are increasing. Infrastructure is being built to accommodate millions.

The evidence is unmistakable.

This is not an impossible dream. “It is a living path,” the video concludes, “and it’s now open to the entire world.”

The stones are speaking. The road is open. And the prophetic clock continues to move forward exactly as Scripture declared.

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# Prophecy Revealed: Jerusalem and the Fulfillment of the Times of the Gentiles

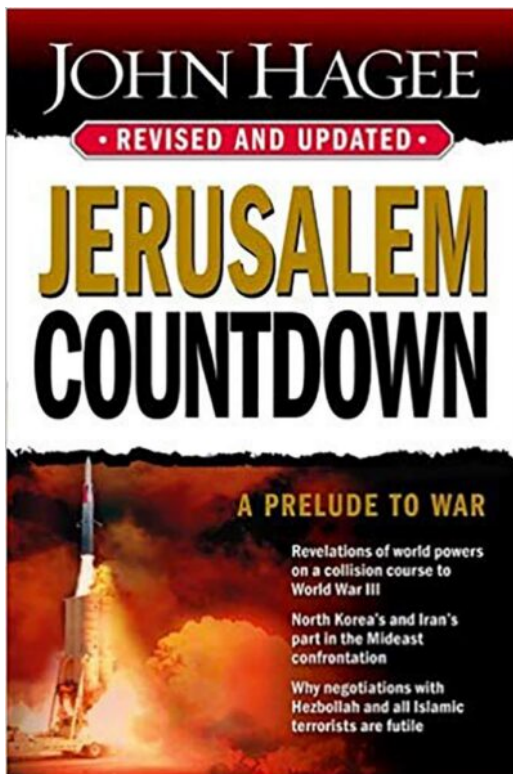
Jerusalem has stood at the center of history's greatest conflicts and Scripture's greatest promises. Nations have fought over it. Empires have risen and fallen around it. Yet the Bible declares its future with absolute certainty. According to prophecy, Jerusalem is not fading into history. It is moving toward glory.

[Pastor John Hagee](#) delivered a message centered on one unshakable truth: Jerusalem is chosen by God and established forever. "The fact of the Bible is that God chose Jerusalem as the place where his name would be there forever," he said. That word forever was not symbolic. It was a declaration.

Quoting Psalm 132:13, Hagee reminded listeners, "The Lord has chosen Zion... and he hath desired it for his own habitation." He stated plainly, "Jerusalem is God's house on earth. Jerusalem is God's address." This is not poetic language. It is covenant language rooted in Scripture.

Jerusalem has been conquered and reconquered 44 times in history, yet it remains. Hagee pointed to that reality as evidence of divine preservation. "God has sworn to establish

it forever,” he said. The endurance of Jerusalem is a testimony to the keeping power of God.



[Order John Hagee's Book, "Jerusalem Countdown" on Amazon.com!](#)

The city is also central to prophecy. Hagee turned to Luke 21:24, where Jesus said Jerusalem would be “trampled down by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.” He asserted that this period shifted in 1967 during the Six-Day War when Jerusalem returned to Jewish control. That moment marked a prophetic turning point. His message to believers was direct: “Look up. The Bible says the king is coming.”

Hagee connected this to 2 Peter 3:8, which teaches that a day with the Lord is as a thousand years. Referring to Jesus' statement about being glorified on the third day, he explained that nearly 2,000 years have passed since Christ's resurrection. “We are now celebrating the birth of the third day,” he said. The implication was unmistakable: “Jesus is coming soon.”

Jerusalem is not only tied to the rapture but to the return of Christ to earth. [Citing Psalm 102, Hagee declared,](#) “When the

Lord shall build up Zion... he will appear in his glory there." He made it clear that Jesus will return to Jerusalem. "He's not coming to Washington. He's not coming to Rome. He's coming to the city of David." From there, Christ will rule during the millennial reign and establish lasting peace.

Hagee described the struggle over Jerusalem as spiritual. "The supernatural battle for Jerusalem is not over," he said. The Antichrist seeks to claim that city, yet Scripture promises it to the Messiah. The conflict surrounding Jerusalem is not random. It is part of a prophetic narrative moving toward its fulfillment.

Throughout Scripture, Jerusalem stands at the center of God's redemptive plan. It appears in Genesis with Melchizedek. It is the city of David. It is where Solomon built the temple. It is where Jesus taught, was crucified and rose again. It is where He will return in glory. Hagee summed it up with a firm declaration: "Jerusalem is the centerpiece of Bible prophecy."

The future he described is not uncertain. Revelation speaks of Christ returning in victory. The enemies gathered against Jerusalem will be defeated. Satan will be bound. The reign of Christ will bring righteousness and peace to the earth. Hagee reminded listeners that what God began in Genesis will be brought to completion under the authority of the King.

This message carries both urgency and encouragement. Prophecy is unfolding according to God's timetable. The restoration of Jerusalem stands as a sign that His Word is true and His promises are sure.

As Christians, we must respond with understanding. Scripture calls believers to discern the times and to be grounded in truth. We cannot afford to be uninformed about what God has spoken concerning Jerusalem and the return of Christ. We must study the Word, strengthen our faith and stand firm in confidence that every promise will be fulfilled exactly as

written.

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## **Religious Liberty Panel Member Backing Candace Owens Faces Consequences After Contentious Hearing**

The White House Religious Liberty Commission convened this week for its first public hearing on antisemitism in America. The purpose was straightforward: hear testimony from Jewish Americans who have faced rising hostility since the Oct. 7, 2023, attacks in Israel and craft recommendations for President Donald Trump on protecting religious liberty.

What unfolded instead was a hearing partially derailed by one of its own members.

Carrie Prejean Boller, a Catholic activist and former Miss California, repeatedly interrupted panelists, challenged widely accepted definitions of antisemitism and [defended commentator Candace Owens](#), who has faced significant criticism for rhetoric widely condemned as antisemitic.

"I listen to her daily," Prejean Boller said of Owens. "I haven't heard one thing out of her mouth that I would say is antisemitic."

She also pressed witnesses to condemn Israel's actions in Gaza, noting she had counted 17 references to Israel during the discussion. "Since we've mentioned Israel a total of 17 times, are you willing to condemn what Israel has done in Gaza?" she asked. "You won't condemn that? Just on the record."

Prejean Boller insisted that her opposition to Zionism stemmed from her Catholic faith.

["Catholics do not embrace Zionism,](#) just so you know. So are all Catholics antisemites?" she said. "I want to be clear on what the definition of antisemitism is. If I don't support the political state of Israel, am I an antisemite, yes or no?"

The audience responded with boos.

Rabbi Meir Soloveichik, the commission's only Jewish member, offered a measured but unmistakable rebuke.

"This is an incredibly diverse country, and the one thing we should be careful about is speaking on behalf of all members of a religious community, even if one is a member of that religious community. I certainly wouldn't claim to speak for all Jews on all subjects," Soloveichik said.

The remainder of the hearing returned to its stated purpose, addressing antisemitism as a threat to Jews and to the broader principle of First Amendment religious liberty.

Owens, who was dropped from a Trump campaign event in 2024

amid backlash over her commentary, has repeatedly rejected accusations of antisemitism, arguing that criticism of Israel is being mislabeled. Critics counter that her rhetoric goes well beyond policy critique and veers into dangerous generalizations about Jewish people and influence.

Opposition to antisemitism is not synonymous with blind allegiance to any government. But attempts to blur that distinction by invoking theology to delegitimize Jewish self-determination have long histories and troubling implications. Replacement theology arguments repackaged for social media virality do not become more convincing by sheer repetition.

Within days of the contentious exchange, Texas Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who chairs the commission, announced that Prejean Boller had been removed.

Patrick's full statement read:

*"Carrie Prejean Boller has been removed from President Trump's Religious Liberty Commission. No member of the Commission has the right to hijack a hearing for their own personal and political agenda on any issue. This is clearly, without question, what happened Monday in our hearing on antisemitism in America. This was my decision.*

*The Commission has done outstanding work through five hearings. Two more are scheduled. The testimony has been both illuminating and heartbreaking. Under the Biden Administration, Americans of all faiths had their religious liberty not only stolen from them but were often punished for standing up for their faith, in education, the military, the private sector and even the ministry.*

*This spring, the Commission will deliver one of the most important reports in American history directly to the President.*

*The President respects all faiths. He believes that all*

*Americans have a right to receive the great inheritance given to them by our founding fathers in the First Amendment.*

*I am grateful to President Trump for having the vision and boldness to create this Commission. Fighting for the Word of God and religious freedom is what this nation was founded upon. Leading this fight will be one of his greatest legacies.*

*Dan Patrick*

*Lt. Governor of Texas*

*Chair of the President Trump's Religious Liberty Commission"*

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*– Dan Patrick (@DanPatrick) [February 11, 2026](#)*

Patrick's language left little ambiguity. The hearing was about antisemitism in America. It was not a stage [for personal theological crusades](#) or internet influencer defense tours.

Religious liberty hearings are meant to protect people of faith from discrimination, not to litigate centuries old doctrinal disputes or sanitize rhetoric that has already drawn bipartisan concern.

There is a difference between robust debate and rhetorical recklessness. One strengthens the republic. The other tests its patience.

In this case, the chair of the commission made clear which side of that line had been crossed.

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