

Does the Devil Listen When You Pray? The Truth May Surprise You

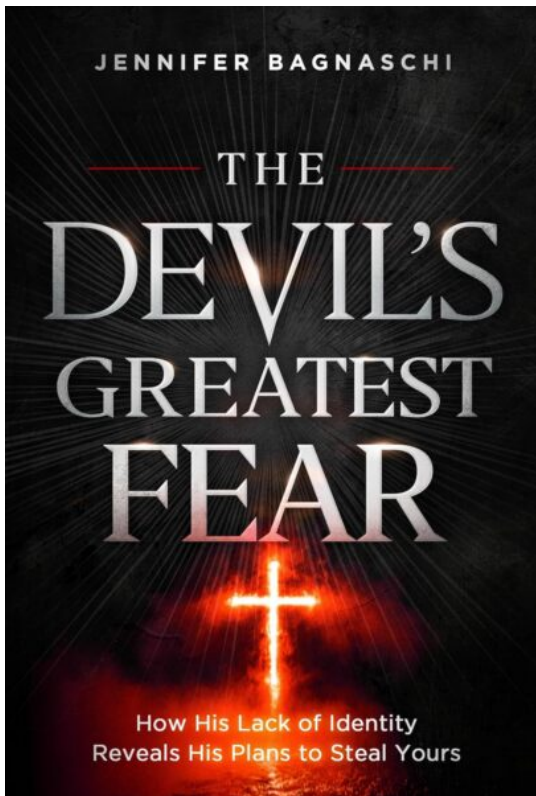
Can Satan hear your prayers? It's a question many Christians quietly wrestle with, especially in moments of spiritual intensity or personal vulnerability. If the enemy can observe and influence, does praying out loud risk exposing intimate conversations with God?

Pastor Mark Driscoll recently addressed that very concern during a live question-and-answer session, offering [a theological framework rooted in spiritual warfare](#) and the nature of God.

"Satan is limited," Driscoll said. "He's not omnipresent like God. He's a created being. And so, he has limited jurisdiction."

Driscoll explained that while Satan and demonic forces are real, they do not share God's attributes. "Only God is omniscient. Only God is all knowing," he said, emphasizing that demons do not have access to human thoughts.

Referencing Mark 2, when Jesus perceived what religious leaders were thinking, Driscoll noted, "Only God has access to our thoughts." That distinction, he said, has direct implications for prayer.



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"In spiritual warfare, if demonic forces are present, they can hear what we're saying," Driscoll said. However, he added that silent prayer remains secure: "If we are praying silently in the spirit, then it is a secure communication line to God the Father. And the enemy cannot penetrate that because he cannot know our thoughts."

For believers concerned about whether they should pray aloud or silently, Driscoll offered reassurance. Praying internally, he said, is "absolutely perfect and fine and good."

He framed the issue using a military analogy, arguing that just as nations seek secure communication in physical war, [Christians should understand spiritual realities.](#) "What is true of physical war is true of spiritual war," he said.

Driscoll also shared a personal example from early in his ministry when he sought to rescue a young woman from a dangerous situation. Before entering what he described as "enemy territory," he chose not to pray out loud about his

plans. “I started praying, but I wasn’t going to pray that out loud,” he said, adding that he did not want to “tip off any demonic forces of what our plan was.”

Still, Driscoll made clear that the issue is not fear but discernment. Christians, he said, have authority in Jesus’ name, but wisdom matters in spiritual conflict.

Ultimately, his answer was straightforward: Satan may hear spoken words, but he cannot read minds. For believers, silent prayer remains a secure and powerful way to commune with God.

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Record Temple Mount Visits and Red Heifers Signal Prophetic Momentum in Israel

An undated but recent video shared by The Temple Institute shows Israel’s Minister of Heritage, Amihai Eliyahu, [visiting the red heifers being raised in Shiloh](#), highlighting the continued momentum in preparations tied directly to biblical prophecy.

[In the Facebook post accompanying the video](#), The Temple Institute said Eliyahu brought his children “to see the red

heifers being raised in Shiloh, as part of the mission to return ritual purity to Israel, a major step toward the rebuilding of the Holy Temple and the renewal of the Divine service.”

Interest in the red heifer has intensified in recent years, particularly after a 2025 practice event in Shiloh sparked widespread claims that the long-awaited biblical ceremony had taken place. Organizers later clarified that the event was only a rehearsal and did not fulfill the scriptural requirements.

According to Numbers 19, the red heifer must be without blemish and never have borne a yoke. The ceremony itself must occur outside the camp, understood in Jewish tradition to mean the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem and [directly facing the Temple Mount](#). The ashes are then used for purification rites necessary for Temple service.

No such ceremony has taken place on the Mount of Olives.

Meanwhile, momentum surrounding the Temple Mount continues to build. According to reporting by Israel365 News, 76,448 Jews ascended to the Temple Mount in 2025, Judaism’s holiest site, shattering all previous records. The total represents a 31% increase over 2024 and continues a decade-long surge. Since 2015, when 10,700 Jews ascended the mount, Jewish presence there has increased more than sevenfold.

The surge reflects a rising national and religious desire for Jewish prayer and worship at the site of the First and Second Temples. What was once viewed as a marginal aspiration has increasingly moved into mainstream religious and political conversation, with renewed calls for greater access and

ultimately the rebuilding of a Third Temple.

These developments are not random. Scripture makes clear that a future temple will stand in Jerusalem in the last days. Daniel 9:27 speaks of sacrifices being stopped. Jesus warned of “the abomination of desolation” standing in the holy place in Matthew 24:15. Second Thessalonians 2:4 states that the man of lawlessness [will sit in “the temple of God.”](#)

Those passages require a functioning temple in Jerusalem.

Though the precise timing remains in God’s hands, the convergence of rising Temple Mount attendance, visible support from Israeli officials, and ongoing preparations, such as the raising of red heifers, demonstrates that the stage described in biblical prophecy is steadily being set.

The red heifer ceremony has not yet occurred. But the momentum surrounding it and the growing fervor for worship on the Temple Mount point directly toward what Scripture has long foretold.

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5 Dangerous Behaviors That

Grieve the Holy Spirit

Pastor Vlad Savchuk is warning believers that spiritual distance from God often does not happen suddenly. Instead, it develops through small, tolerated habits that slowly dull sensitivity to the Holy Spirit.

In a recent message, [the HungryGen Ministries leader](#) said many Christians ask for more of God's presence while practicing behaviors that "grieve," "quench," or "resist" the Spirit. While the Holy Spirit is not fragile, Savchuk emphasized that He is holy, and Scripture clearly instructs believers to guard their response to Him.

Savchuk identified five patterns that can weaken a believer's sensitivity to the Holy Spirit:

1. Hidden sin without repentance

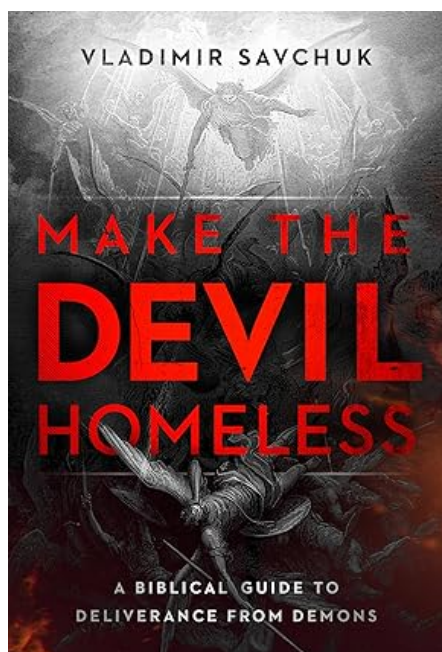
Savchuk said one of the fastest ways to lose spiritual sensitivity is to tolerate "hidden sin" and treat it as small. When believers repeatedly ignore conviction, justify wrongdoing or separate their "secret life" from their public one, their hearts grow dull.

He stressed that repentance must be specific and immediate. Delayed obedience and emotional remorse without practical change, he said, gradually desensitize a person to the Spirit's voice. The solution is to bring sin into the light, repent quickly and remove whatever feeds it.

2. Bitterness and unforgiveness

Savchuk described the heart as the "contact point" of the Holy Spirit. Bitterness, anger and resentment, he said, crowd out intimacy with God.

A believer cannot remain filled with both the Holy Spirit and ongoing unforgiveness. Replaying offenses, justifying hardness and waiting for others to make the first move all create distance. Savchuk urged believers to release offense and refuse to stay chained to past wounds, noting that forgiveness restores sensitivity.



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3. Pride and stubbornness

Calling the Holy Spirit a "Helper" and "Guide," Savchuk said pride resists that help. Pride is not limited to arrogance; it also includes being unteachable, defensive and unwilling to apologize.

God "resists the proud," he noted, adding that humility attracts grace and nearness. Savchuk encouraged believers to choose the humble path, even when wronged, and to focus on growth over ego. Humility, he said, strengthens character and protects closeness with the Spirit.

4. Constant compromise with worldly influences

Savchuk warned that what believers consistently consume shapes their spiritual sensitivity. Filling the mind with entertainment that mocks Christ, promotes impurity or normalizes violence can dull awareness of God's presence.

Though not everything is inherently sinful, he said ongoing exposure to defiling content weakens hunger for the Spirit. Small compromises often lead to greater drift. Guarding one's inputs – what enters through the “eye gate” and “ear gate” – helps maintain spiritual sharpness.

5. Disobedience to what God has already said

Savchuk said many Christians ask God to speak while ignoring instructions already given. Disobedience often begins subtly, through procrastination, delay or “partial obedience.”

Over time, ignoring promptings reduces awareness of them. Quick obedience, even in small matters, strengthens sensitivity and deepens intimacy with the Spirit.

[Savchuk explained](#) that recognizing these patterns is not meant to condemn but to invite restoration.

Drawing near to the Holy Spirit, he said, requires intentional repentance, forgiveness, humility, guarded influences and prompt obedience. If you're seeking renewed “fire” and tenderness in your walk with God, protecting what is holy begins with daily choices.

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What Happens When We Stop Eagerly Waiting for Christ?

For many Christians, the Second Coming of Jesus is either a distant doctrine or a confusing controversy. But [ministry leader John Bevere](#) says Scripture presents it as something far more personal and far more urgent. If Christ's return is one of the most emphasized themes in the New Testament, he asks, why does it feel so absent from modern Christian conversation?

In a recent message, Bevere challenged believers to reconsider not just what they believe about the end times, but how that belief is shaping their daily lives.

More Than a Timeline

Bevere argues that prophecy was never meant to be reduced to speculation about timelines, disasters or symbolic imagery. Instead, he says its primary purpose is transformation.

Too often, Christians treat the Second Coming as a future event to debate rather than a coming reality that purifies the heart. Scripture repeatedly speaks of "eagerly waiting" for Christ's appearing. According to Bevere, that posture is not optional. It is formative.

When believers assume the Lord's return is far off, spiritual

drift often follows. Jesus Himself warned about the servant who says in his heart that the master delays. Over time, delay breeds distraction.

Why So Much Confusion?

Part of the problem, Bevere suggests, is fragmentation. He compares prophetic Scripture to a puzzle. Looking at a few scattered pieces can produce confident but incorrect conclusions. Only when the whole picture is assembled does clarity emerge.

Rather than avoiding difficult passages, [he encourages diligent study and patient inquiry](#). The early church did not shy away from prophetic teaching. Instead, they discussed it openly and frequently, allowing the full counsel of Scripture to shape their understanding.

Avoidance, he warns, produces indifference. Inquiry produces vision.

What Fuels Eager Expectation?

At the center of Bevere's message is a question: Where does your mind go when it is not required to focus on work or responsibility?

Colossians commands believers to set their minds on things above. Bevere notes that earthly responsibilities matter, but they should be glances, not anchors. What dominates the neutral spaces of the heart reveals where it is set.

Without prophetic vision, Scripture says people cast off

restraint. With vision, discipline becomes purposeful. Just as an athlete trains for a prize or a builder labors toward a finished design, eternal perspective fuels endurance.

Not Just an Event, but a Wedding

Perhaps Bevere's most striking reframing is this: the Second Coming is not merely an event. It is a reunion.

Christ is portrayed as a Bridegroom eagerly awaiting His Bride. When believers see His return as the climax of a love story rather than a calendar date, anticipation replaces anxiety.

The question, then, is not simply whether Jesus is coming. It is whether His people are living like they believe He is.

And perhaps the clearest diagnostic remains this: When your mind is at rest, where does it drift?

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Greg Laurie Reveals the Signs Are Clear: Jesus and the Last

Days

Amid escalating global conflict and constant crisis headlines, [Pastor Greg Laurie](#) says Christians should not respond with fear but with expectation rooted in Scripture.

In a recent teaching titled “Jesus and the Last Days,” Laurie turned to John 14 and Matthew 24 to address growing questions about whether the world is nearing the end times. He argued that the upheaval dominating the news cycle mirrors what Jesus described as signs of the times.

“All around us are what we would call signs of the times,” Laurie said. “And they’re all saying one thing. Jesus is coming.”

Laurie emphasized that Bible prophecy is intended to prepare believers rather than alarm them. Quoting Jesus’ words in John 14, he reminded listeners that Christ told His followers not to let their hearts be troubled because He has prepared a place for them and promised to return.

“When you see these things begin to happen, look up for your redemption is drawing near,” Laurie said, adding that Scripture never instructs believers to panic when global turmoil increases.

A central focus of the teaching was the distinction between the rapture and the second coming of Christ. Laurie said the rapture occurs before the seven year tribulation period while the second coming takes place at its conclusion.

“They’re actually two separate events,” he said. “In the rapture, He comes for His church. In the second coming, He returns with His church.”

[Laurie pointed to Matthew 24](#) where Jesus warned of deception, wars, famines, pestilence and earthquakes as precursors to the

end. He said these events are not the final judgment but the beginning of sorrows.

The tribulation period, Laurie explained, begins with the rise of the Antichrist, who initially appears as a global leader offering peace and economic solutions. Midway through the tribulation, the Antichrist commits what Scripture calls the abomination of desolation by declaring himself god in a rebuilt temple.



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"That's when the judgment of God is poured out upon the planet," Laurie said.

The conflict culminates in the battle of Armageddon fought in Israel's Valley of Megiddo where Christ returns visibly and in power.

Laurie also cautioned against setting dates for Christ's return, noting Jesus' warning that no one knows the day or hour of the rapture.

"The Bible never tells us to be looking for the Antichrist," he said. "But it does tell us to be looking for Jesus Christ."

Laurie concluded by stressing that Christ's return is imminent and sudden. The proper response, he said, is readiness not fear.

"The coming of Christ is imminent," Laurie said. "It could happen at any moment."

He added that a believer's reaction to that truth reveals their spiritual condition.

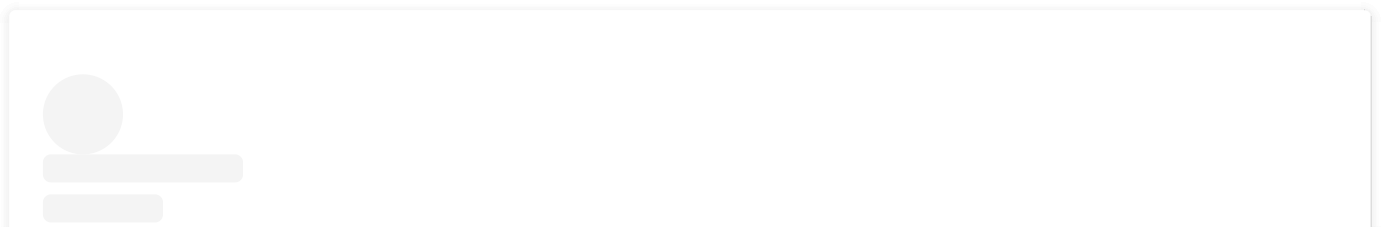
"If you hear this and say, 'I love it. I hope He comes today,' I would say you're probably walking with God," he said.

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‘God Will Not Be Mocked’: Nicki Minaj Calls Out the Demons Behind Culture and Power

In the wake of the anti-ICE protest that disrupted a worship service at Cities Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, and a Grammy Awards ceremony that reignited debate over culture and morality, rapper and Donald [Trump supporter Nicki Minaj](#) is drawing attention for publicly framing current events as a matter of spiritual warfare.

Minaj's recent statements, shared across Instagram and X, have surprised many, not only for their boldness but for their explicitly Christian language. While she is best known as one of the most influential figures in modern hip-hop, Minaj positioned herself this week as someone sounding an alarm about what she sees operating beneath politics and culture.





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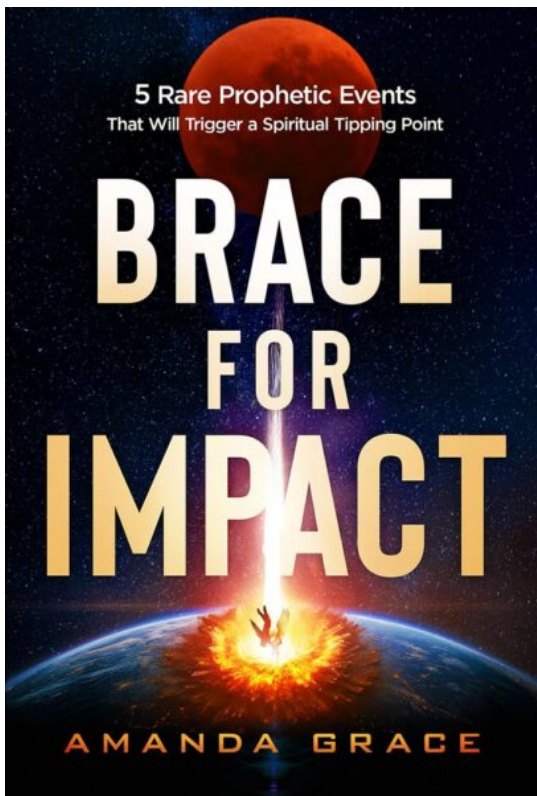
In one post, she warned of hidden evil connected to power, writing, “Are y’all understanding that these ppl have been sacrificing children as a way of gaining & maintaining power?”

She directed her warning squarely at voters, adding, “If you ever vote DemonCrat again, you’re just as soulless as they are & will perish.”

Minaj suggested she has firsthand knowledge she has not fully shared, hinting that more could come. “Maybe it’s time for me

to do some story times, since I was trying to not say what I know; yet they continue to attempt bullying,” she wrote.

Several of her remarks were aimed directly at Christians, particularly [in light of recent disruptions of worship services](#). “Any Christian who votes democrat again is a fool,” Minaj wrote.



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Referencing the church protest in Minnesota, she continued, “They’re showing people that it’s ok to disrupt a church during worship. This is how they truly feel about you. The veil is lifted.”

Throughout her posts, Minaj repeatedly framed the conflict in spiritual terms rather than political ones. “The demons inside of them are so bothered. All the time,” she wrote.

During the Grammy Awards on Sunday night, Minaj again pointed to the escalation from rhetoric to action, saying, “It’s not enough for them to have an opinion, they’ve escalated to

physical intrusion of places of worship. No morals. No integrity.”

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– Nicki Minaj (@NICKIMINAJ) [February 2, 2026](#)

In her most recent statement, Minaj expressed confidence that God would ultimately bring accountability, openly invoking the name of Jesus Christ. “As they do their ritual tonight, God almighty will reveal himself to them. The ritual will backfire on them. God will not be mocked,” she wrote.

She concluded with a declaration of faith and expectation of vindication. “Blessed is the MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS CHRIST. Every tongue that rises up against me in judgement shall be condemned & put to shame. Watch.”

Minaj’s remarks have sparked intense discussion across social media, particularly among Christians who see her comments as unusual coming from someone deeply embedded in the entertainment industry. To supporters, that insider status is precisely why her warnings are being taken seriously.

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Christians Killed in Iran's Streets as Tehran Promotes Tucker Carlson's Wicked Propaganda

Christians in Iran are being “shot, arrested and killed for demanding basic freedoms” while the Islamic regime amplifies accusations that Israel persecutes Christians. The disparity highlights a brutal reality: as believers bleed in Iranian streets, [Tehran works to redirect global outrage](#) away from its own repression.

As reported by Israel365 News, Iranian state media has promoted claims by Tucker Carlson accusing Israel of abusing Christians, even as security forces crack down violently on Christian demonstrators inside Iran.

In Iran right now:

- *No internet*
- *No phone calls*
- *No communication with the outside world*

Yet the Islamic regime's main state broadcaster is airing and promoting Tucker Carlson.

This was way too much for my brain to handle.
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– Open Source Intel (@Osint613) [January 8, 2026](#)

Christians Targeted Across Iran

Since Dec. 28, 2025, Iran has faced its largest nationwide uprising in years, with demonstrations spanning all 31 provinces without interruption. Christians have joined protesters from every background and are being singled out as convenient targets.

Seven Iranian Christians of Armenian origin were killed by security forces in recent days, according to religious freedom monitors. Armenian media confirmed the death of Ejmin Masihi in Tehran, with additional reports of Christians wounded by police gunfire in Shiraz. At least 10 Christians were arrested in Fars province alone as security forces conducted raids on believers' homes.

A pastor from an unregistered church described a relentless campaign of intimidation. "Security forces raided the homes of several believers, accusing us of providing ideological fuel for the street protests," he said, adding that Christians remain confined to their homes while searches continue.

Converts from Islam face heightened danger. Farsi-speaking Christians are labeled enemies of the state and accused of crimes against national security. One aid worker said believers are being scapegoated because the regime is desperate to find a leader for this leaderless movement.

Responding With Faith Not Violence

Despite the violence, Christians have responded with compassion. Believers are distributing food and water to

demonstrators and treating wounded protesters in their homes away from authorities.

Hormoz Shariat of Iran Alive Ministries said Christians continue to risk their lives to help others. "Christians are on the streets and some of them in the past have been killed," he said, recounting reports of wounded believers hiding in homes as [prayer requests poured in from inside Iran](#).

Israel's Record Tells a Different Story

The reality in Israel stands in stark contrast. Israel is home to roughly 187,000 Christians who worship freely serve in government and live without fear of persecution. The Christian population has grown steadily since the state's founding in 1948 with churches operating openly and holy sites protected.

Propaganda With Deadly Consequences

Iran's promotion of accusations against Israel serves a strategic purpose: deflecting attention from its own killing of Christians while isolating the one Middle Eastern nation where Christians are safe. The claims are not only false but dangerous providing cover for regimes actively murdering believers.

Iranian Christians are being hunted for their faith while demanding basic human rights. They are not asking for sympathy. They are asking for truth and for the world to recognize who protects Christians and who kills them.

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Why Did Satan Fight So Hard for Moses' Body? Joe Kirby Explains

[Christian content creator Joe Kirby](#) is drawing renewed attention to a little-discussed biblical mystery: why Satan contended for the body of Moses after his death.

In a recent teaching video, Kirby examines Scripture to explore why Moses was buried by God Himself, why the burial location was hidden and why the book of Jude records a dispute between Satan and the archangel Michael over Moses' body.

A burial unlike any other

Kirby begins by highlighting Moses' unique burial, noting that out of the billions of people who have lived, Scripture records only one man being buried directly by God.

"So out of the billions who have ever lived as far as we know Moses alone is the only one to have this extraordinary honor," Kirby said.

Citing Deuteronomy 34, Kirby notes that Moses was buried in a secret location, a detail he believes signals that something spiritually significant was at stake.

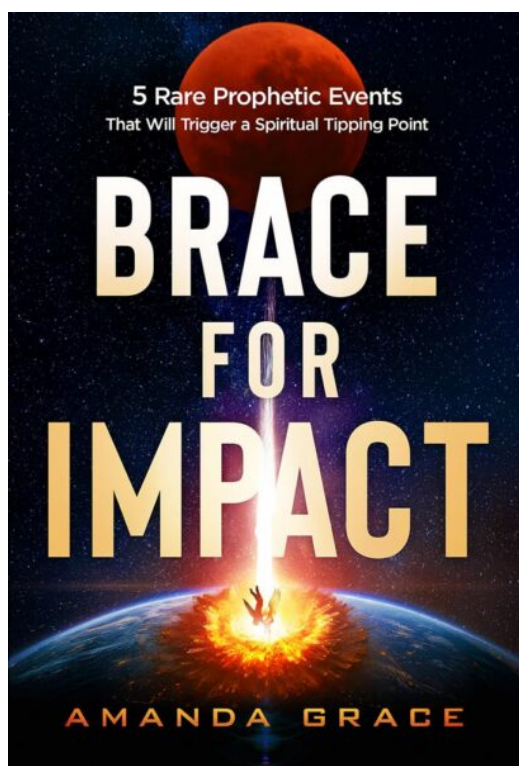
Accusation, sin and grace

Kirby next points to Moses' disobedience at the rock in Numbers 20, where Moses struck the rock instead of speaking to it and said, "Must we bring you water out of this rock."

"In that moment, he blurred the line between God's authority and his own," Kirby said.

Kirby connects this failure to Satan's role as an accuser, referencing the heavenly courtroom scene in Job. Still, he emphasizes that Moses' story ultimately highlights grace, not condemnation.

"Yes, Moses failed. And yes, he messed up," [Kirby said](#). "But the Lord operates according to one key and beautiful reality, and it's called grace."



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Why God hid Moses' grave

Another reason Kirby explores is God's decision to conceal Moses' burial site to prevent idolatry. He notes that in the ancient world, tombs of great leaders often became places of veneration.

"In other words, God hid Moses's body because he knew human hearts are prone to elevate heroes above the creator," Kirby said.

He suggests Satan may have sought to exploit this tendency by turning Moses' grave into a focal point for misplaced devotion.

A possible prophetic purpose

Kirby ultimately presents what he believes is the most compelling explanation: Moses may still play a role in God's future plans. Pointing to Revelation 11, Kirby argues the miracles attributed to the two witnesses align closely with Moses' ministry in Egypt.

"Moses turned the Nile, the lifeblood of Egypt, into blood," Kirby said. "And through Moses, God unleashed 10 devastating plagues."

Kirby also points to the Mount of Transfiguration, where Moses and Elijah appeared with Jesus, as a meaningful pattern rather than a coincidence.

"I don't believe this pairing was accidental," Kirby said.

While Scripture does not provide every detail surrounding the dispute over Moses' body, Kirby says the account ultimately directs attention back to Christ, reminding believers that God's purposes, grace and redemption prevail even amid unseen spiritual conflict.

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Revelation Warns of a Global Religious System. Is Rome at the Center?

Bible teacher Amir Tsarfati is cautioning believers that a growing push for global religious unity may reflect patterns Scripture warns will emerge in the last days.

In a recent teaching, Tsarfati suggested the final religious system described in the Bible may not appear suddenly but develop from an existing institution. "I believe that there is an existing religion that is ready to be as a shell for something new that is being injected into it," he said.

He added, "This is the only one that fits the bill of all the descriptions of the book of Revelation," [referring to the Catholic Church.](#)

A Global Faith Described in Revelation

The book of Revelation repeatedly warns of a worldwide

religious system that exerts global influence prior to the return of Christ.

Revelation 17:1–2 describes “the great prostitute who sits on many waters,” explaining that “the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her sexual immorality.” Verse 15 clarifies that the waters represent “peoples and multitudes and nations and tongues.”

Tsarfaty emphasized the universal nature of Catholicism. “The word Catholic means universal. It means it belongs to everyone,” he said.

He also pointed to a large-scale global effort underway. “For the last at least seven, eight years, maybe more, we see an unbelievable concentrated effort with hundreds of millions of dollars that are being poured into it to reach out to every part of world population,” Tsarfaty said.



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Drawing All Christians Into One System

Tsarfaty highlighted a conference at Kenneth Copeland Ministries where Bishop Tony Palmer addressed Protestant believers on behalf of Pope Francis.

“He said to them, ['Catholic means universal.](#) And if you are Christians, it doesn't matter where you're from. You're Catholic,” Tsarfaty said.

Scripture warns that end-times deception will not be obvious or openly hostile. Revelation 13:8 states, “All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names are not written in the Book of Life of the Lamb.”

Tsarfati noted that Pope Francis appeared via video and “did not even mention Mary even once knowing it’s a crowd of Protestants that don’t believe that Mary is anything divine.”

Unity Without Doctrine

Tsarfati also referenced declarations signaling the end of Protestantism. “The Protestant movement has come to an end. No more protest,” he said.

Revelation 17:5 describes the system behind this unity as “Mystery, Babylon the Great, the Mother of Prostitutes and Abominations of the Earth,” indicating spiritual compromise rather than biblical purity.

Tsarfati summarized the ecumenical shift by saying, “It’s the glory that glues us together, not the doctrines.”

A Final End-Times Warning

Tsarfati rejected that premise outright.

“To tell people that glory is more important than doctrine is literally leading them astray,” he said.

Revelation 18:4 issues a direct warning to believers: “Come out of her, my people, so that you do not share in her sins.”

For Tsarfati, these developments are not proof of fulfillment, but signals calling Christians in the last days to remain anchored in biblical truth rather than swept up in a deceptive unity Scripture foretold long ago.

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'Be Prepared for Anything': Mike Huckabee Says Only Trump Knows What Comes Next on Iran

As tensions simmer between Israel and Iran, U.S. Ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee offered a sober but steady message during an interview with Joel Rosenberg: uncertainty is unavoidable, fear is not.

"We should be prepared for anything, but we should not be afraid of anything," Huckabee said, framing the current moment as one that demands vigilance without panic. Living in the Middle East, he added, means accepting that ["on any given day something could happen that we were not expecting."](#)

Despite the speculation swirling around Washington, Jerusalem and Tehran, Huckabee repeatedly returned to one central point. Decisions about Iran rest with one man alone.

"I would say that only the President of the United States knows what he will do," he said. "Nobody else has the absolute word."

Hostages Home, a Nation Breathes Again

The interview followed the recovery of the remains of the last Israeli hostage held in Gaza, a moment Huckabee described as both historic and deeply emotional. The return marked the first time since 2014 that Israel no longer had a hostage in

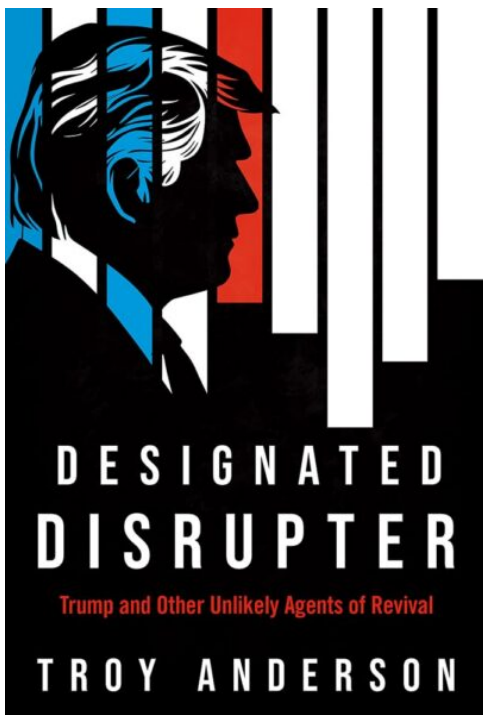
Gaza.

“It gave everyone here a combination of euphoria and relief,” Huckabee said. “Everyone breathed a deep sigh of relief because just the thought that there was still a hostage and Hamas was holding them.”

He credited the success to coordinated efforts by Israeli intelligence, security forces and regional cooperation, calling the outcome remarkable amid the devastation of war.

“It really strikes me as a miracle and the answer to a lot of people’s prayers,” Huckabee said.

The recovery also reinforced, in his view, the credibility of President Donald Trump and Israeli leadership. “It’s also a great testament to the commitment both President Trump and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu made, which was, [‘We will not leave a hostage there.’](#)”



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Three Broad Paths on Iran

As discussion turned to Iran, Rosenberg outlined three broad possibilities facing the White House, scenarios Huckabee did not dispute while cautioning against predictions.

1. **Do nothing**, maintain pressure, assess risks and avoid military action.
2. **A large but limited strike**, punish the Iranian regime without explicitly seeking to topple it.
3. **An all-in campaign**, sustain attacks until the regime falls, a path described as “messy, expensive, complicated.”

Huckabee declined to forecast which path the president might choose.

“If I were to speculate and say, ‘Here’s what I think is going to happen,’ I would be making it up,” he said. “I don’t know.”

What he did emphasize is that military action, while possible, is not Trump’s first instinct.

“One thing that people may not fully understand or appreciate about President Trump is that for him, military action is not the first resort,” Huckabee said. “It’s the thing he wants to do last.”

‘ Hamas Has No Future in Gaza ’

On Gaza’s long-term future, Huckabee spoke with certainty about one outcome the administration rejects outright.

“The president has never been in any point in any facet other than saying Hamas has no future in Gaza,” he said. “They will disarm.”

How that happens, and how long it takes, remains unclear.

Still, Huckabee urged viewers to judge by precedent rather than pessimism.

“When he said all the hostages will come home, they did,” Huckabee said. “When he said we will have a ceasefire, we do.”

For Huckabee, the lesson of the moment is not to guess the calendar or script the next move, but to recognize the gravity of the hour and the resolve behind it.

“Stand back and watch,” he said.

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