

Former In-Law Responds to Renee Nicole Good ICE Shooting With Scripture and Forgiveness on CNN

Timmy Macklin, the former father-in-law of Renee Nicole Good, spoke publicly this week about faith, forgiveness and personal responsibility following Good's death during a federal law enforcement operation in Minneapolis.

Macklin appeared Tuesday night on CNN's Erin Burnett OutFront, just days after Good was shot and killed by an ICE agent after striking him with a vehicle. During the interview, Macklin declined to place blame on any individual involved and instead framed the tragedy through a biblical lens.

"It's a hard situation all the way around. It's hard for everybody involved. The ICE agent, you know, at first, I didn't see the footage where he was actually [hit]. ... In a flash like that it's hard to say how you would react," Macklin said. "From my understanding, he had been through that before, maybe dragged or something. And so, like I said, it's just a hard situation for everybody."



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Rather than responding with anger or condemnation, Macklin emphasized a scriptural call to love, even amid loss.

"I don't have any enemies. I love everybody. That's what the Bible tells us: love our neighbors as we love ourselves," he said. "But, you know, I think there's some bad choices. And the Word says for the wrath of God will come upon the children of disobedience."

Macklin said he does not fault law enforcement, nor does he blame Good or her partner, Rebecca Good, for the events that unfolded.

"I don't blame ICE. I don't blame Rebecca. I don't blame Renee," he said. "I just wish that, you know, if we were walking in the spirit of God, I don't think she would have been there. That's the way I look at it."

Renee Good's former father-in-law refuses to blame the ICE agent for her death on CNN:

"I don't blame ICE. I don't blame Rebecca. I don't blame Renee. I just know, if we're walking in the Spirit of God, I don't think she would have been there."

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Good is survived by a 6-year-old son, Macklin's grandson.

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Elon Musk Says Humans Are

‘Pre-Programmed to Die’—Why His Vision of Immortality Alarms Christians

When Elon Musk says humans are “pre-programmed to die,” he is not making a casual observation about biology. He is declaring death to be a design flaw rather than a divine judgment.

“You’re pre-programmed to die. And so if you change the program, you will live longer,” Musk said during a recent interview, as reported by Fortune.

That statement strikes at the heart of the biblical understanding of life, death and the fall of man. Death is not presented in Scripture as a glitch in creation, but as the direct result of sin entering the world. By framing mortality as software that can be edited, Musk seemingly rejects the premise that death exists because humanity rebelled against God.

Longevity, in this view, is not something to be redeemed. It is something to be engineered.

Undoing the Curse Without Redemption

Musk insists the solution to aging is not especially complex.

Longevity, he said, is a problem that is not “particularly hard” to solve.

That confidence assumes death is a technical obstacle rather than a spiritual consequence. Scripture teaches that the curse placed on creation was not accidental and cannot be undone through human innovation. The curse was imposed by God Himself

and is only lifted through redemption found in Jesus Christ, not redesign.

By treating death as an engineering challenge, Musk's vision offers life extension without repentance, healing without reconciliation and renewal without submission to our Creator.

Synchronization as Proof the Clock Can Be Hacked

Musk argues that the body's synchronized aging reveals an obvious biological clock that can be altered.

"When you consider the fact that your body is extremely synchronized in its age, the clock must be incredibly obvious," he said. "Nobody has an old left arm and a young right arm. Why is that? What's keeping them all in sync?"

This reasoning assumes that because aging is orderly, it is therefore editable. Scripture teaches the opposite. Order in creation reflects God's design, not humanity's authority over it. The exact synchronization Musk points to as evidence of hackable biology also testifies to a Creator who set boundaries that mankind was never meant to cross.



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A False Promise of Salvation Through Technology

Musk's vision of the future of medicine goes far beyond treating disease. He predicts a complete transfer of trust from human skill to machines.

"I wouldn't want the best ophthalmologist with the steadiest hand out there with a hand laser on my eyeball," Musk said.

“It’s going to be like that.”

He claims robotic surgeons will outperform humans and eliminate error, declaring, “Everyone will have access to medical care that is better than what the president receives right now.”

This is not simply optimism about medical advancement. It is a promise of universal deliverance through technology. In Scripture, salvation is never universal, never automatic and never distributed by systems. It is personal, costly and rooted in submission to God.

Immortality Without God Produces Permanent Power

Musk himself acknowledges the danger of extended life, even as he promotes the technology that would make it possible.

“If we live for too long, I think it ossifies society—there’s no changing of the leadership because leadership never dies,” he said.

That warning reveals the actual consequence of engineered longevity: power that never relinquishes control. According to Scripture, death restrains evil by limiting human dominion. Remove it, and corruption becomes permanent (Eccl. 8:8; Job 14:1-5).

The Bible consistently warns against systems that promise life while consolidating authority. A world where leaders do not die is a world where accountability disappears.

The Old Lie, Repackaged for a

Digital Age

Musk has previously said he would “prefer to be dead” than live to 100 with dementia or as a burden to society, exposing the contradiction at the center of the longevity movement. The same worldview that seeks to defeat death also recoils at the reality of prolonged life without purpose.

The pursuit of immortality without God is not new. It is the oldest lie in Scripture, now framed in the language of AI, robotics and biology. Where the serpent once said, “You will not surely die,” modern technologists say death is merely a program waiting to be rewritten.

The problem is not aging. The problem is sin. And no amount of reprogramming can erase the curse humanity brought upon itself.

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Rusty Yates Says He Forgives Andrea Yates, Even After the Unthinkable

Nearly 25 years after the deaths of his five children, Rusty Yates continues to wrestle with grief, faith and forgiveness,

not as abstract ideas, but as lived realities forged in unspeakable loss.

In an interview reported by the Daily Mail, Yates said he has forgiven his former wife, Andrea Yates, who drowned their children during a psychotic break in 2001. His words are not an attempt to rewrite history or soften the horror of what happened. Instead, they reflect an acknowledgment of mental illness and a faith that refuses to give way to hatred.

"It's just that we shared a special time in life and we're the only ones remaining who can reminisce about those good times that we had," Yates told the Daily Mail. "That's really all it is. I cherish that time; she cherishes that time. The tragedy obviously has been really hard on both of us."



Yates said he still speaks with Andrea monthly and visits her once a year at Kerrville State Hospital, where she has lived since 2007 after being found not guilty by reason of insanity. His continued contact, he said, is not denial, but recognition of a shared loss no one else can fully understand.

"I think in most respects, it's been harder on her than me because we both dealt with a serious mental illness, but she was the one who was mentally ill," he said. "We both lost our children, but it was by her hands. We both dealt with a cruel state prosecuting her for this, but she was the one on trial."

The Yates family tragedy has been revisited in a new HBO Max documentary, *The Cult Behind the Killer: The Andrea Yates Story*, which suggests apocalyptic preacher Michael Woroniecki influenced Andrea Yates' actions.

Rusty Yates rejected that claim, placing responsibility squarely on untreated mental illness.



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"I can definitely say that without the [mental] illness, it wouldn't have happened," he said. "I can definitely say that if she'd gotten better care, it wouldn't have happened."

Both Rusty and Andrea Yates were devout Christians who wanted a large family. However, Andrea's history of depression, suicide attempts and postpartum psychosis was well documented, and doctors had warned against further pregnancies. She later stopped taking medication while pregnant, a decision Rusty said he did not fully understand at the time.

"I didn't know she was psychotic," he said. "I thought she was depressed. There's a big difference."

Yates later remarried, divorced and raised another son, but he said he informed Andrea before participating in the documentary, even though she preferred privacy. "I told her I had to balance that with defending our family and really, to try to do what I can to prevent something like this from happening to any other families," he said.

Andrea Yates remains institutionalized and could theoretically apply for release, though Rusty doubts that will ever occur. "No judge would ever want to be the one to sign off on an order releasing the infamous Andrea Yates," he said. "But I don't think she would ever want to be released either."

For believers, Yates' words land in difficult territory. Forgiveness does not erase consequences, and compassion does not excuse sin. Still, mercy matters. His testimony is restrained, measured and deeply Christian, acknowledging evil, recognizing brokenness and choosing grace anyway.

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Force veteran, he is the author of The Revelation of Jesus: A Common Man's Commentary and a contributor to Charisma magazine.

5 Reasons the Bible Can Feel Like Homework Instead of Daily Bread

As missiles streaked across Middle Eastern skies and the world braced for wider war, Rabbi Jonathan Cahn says something far older than modern geopolitics was stirring beneath the surface.

On a recent episode of The Jonathan Cahn Podcast, Cahn described Iran's direct missile attack on Israel as the visible eruption of a mystery embedded in biblical prophecy for millennia.

"It was the first time ever that Iran directly launched an attack on the nation of Israel," Cahn said, calling the moment unprecedented and deeply significant.

Cahn framed the sudden global fixation on Israel as a signal long anticipated by Scripture.

"The Bible says that at the end of the age, the world will be focused on Israel," he said. "Israel will be the center of controversy. It's going to be attacked."

According to Cahn, the events unfolding today align with a prophecy recorded in Ezekiel 38 and 39, describing a future invasion of Israel by a coalition of nations in the "latter

years," after the Jewish people are regathered to their land. One of those nations, he emphasized, is named outright. "Verse 5 says, 'Paras, Cush and Put are with them,'" Cahn said. "Paras is Persia."

Persia, Cahn explained, is modern-day Iran, a connection that transforms current headlines into prophetic markers. "When Ezekiel wrote this, Persia had not even come into its world empire," he said. "Yet it names it."

That alone, Cahn suggested, should give pause. But the mystery deepens.

Iran was not always Israel's enemy. In fact, Cahn noted, Iran once maintained close ties with the Jewish state and became the second Muslim nation to recognize Israel. "Israel saw Iran as a natural ally," he said. But Scripture, Cahn argued, indicated that the relationship could not endure. "According to Ezekiel, Iran could not remain an ally of Israel."



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The turning point came in 1979, when the Iranian Revolution overthrew the shah and installed a radical Islamic regime. "That's when everything changed," Cahn said.

Since then, Cahn said Iran has waged a covert war against Israel through a web of proxies, including Hezbollah, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, militias in Iraq and Syria, and the Houthis in Yemen. He tied the Oct. 7 Hamas massacre directly to Tehran. "Iran funded Hamas. Iran trained Hamas. Iran encouraged Hamas," he said.

Yet Cahn warned that focusing solely on politics misses the deeper reality. To understand what is happening now, he turned to the book of Daniel.

In Daniel 10, an angel sent to deliver a revelation is

mysteriously delayed. "The angel says he was stopped," Cahn explained. "The angel calls the entity the Sar Malchut Paras." Translated, he said, it means "the prince of Persia."

Cahn described this figure not as a human ruler but as a demonic power assigned to Persia, now Iran. "Spirits do not die," he said. "So the prince of Persia did not perish in ancient times but still exists."

According to Cahn, that entity's mission is singular: to oppose God's purposes for Israel in the end times. "This demonic entity is particularly focused on the Jewish people, on Israel," he said.

Standing in opposition, Cahn said, is Michael the archangel. "Behind the nation of Persia or Iran is the Sar Paras," he said. "And behind the nation of Israel is Michael, the prince of your people."

The result, Cahn argued, is that an ancient spiritual war is now manifesting in the physical world. "It's the spiritual realm that determines the physical realm," he said. "And it's all here in the Word of God."

Cahn linked Daniel's vision to the book of Revelation, where Michael again appears in battle. "In Daniel, Michael wars against the prince of Persia," he said. "In Revelation, he wars against the dragon."

For Cahn, the implications are staggering. "What does this tell you?" he asked. "God is real. His Word is true. What He foretold thousands of years ago is coming true in our own day before our very eyes."

While the revelations point to escalating conflict, Cahn ended on a reassuring note rather than a fearful one. "Do not fear the darkness," he said. "Much, much greater is He who is in you."

And as the mystery continues to unfold on the world stage, Cahn offered a final reminder. “For He who keeps Israel,” he said, “will keep you.”

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When TMZ Talks Doppelgangers, the Bible Enters the Chat

Pastor Kap Chatfield says he avoids building a platform by tearing others down. But in a recent video that sparked backlash and unsubscribes, he made clear that silence becomes dangerous when confusion spreads through the church.

“So Candace Owens, a prominent conservative and Christian-adjacent influencer, has been promoting narratives that many believers are seeing as spiritual and it’s actually factually misleading a lot of people,” Chatfield said. “And it’s driving people away from the church and away from the truth.”

He framed the issue not as politics, but as discernment, warning that influence, algorithms and platform pressure can slowly distort judgment.

A Leadership Vacuum and a Dangerous Substitution

Chatfield pointed to the assassination of Charlie Kirk as a turning point many underestimated.

“You will know them by their fruits,” he said. “The fruit of that man’s work resulted in a spiritual revival in this country and across the world. It’s undeniable.”

But he warned that Kirk’s absence created a leadership vacuum now being filled by voices claiming Christian authority without biblical grounding.

“Right now, what you have is a lot of quote ‘conservative Christian influencers’ who are stepping into that vacuum,” Chatfield said. “And most of what these people are saying is unbiblical.”

He named Candace Owens, Nick Fuentes, and Tucker Carlson, warning that Christian language is being used as cover for deception.

“They’re hiding behind phrases like ‘Christ is King,’” he said. “That’s the problem with being deceived. You don’t actually know that you’re deceived.”



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Virality, Influence and Selling the Message

One of Chatfield’s strongest warnings centered on the business model of online influence.

“When your business model is purely built on ad revenue and virality, it is a cocktail that you’ve got to sip really slowly,” he said. “You can allow the algorithm to tell you

what your message needs to be.”

He shared that he intentionally stepped back from reaction content after realizing he was drifting toward what would perform best rather than what the Holy Spirit was leading him to say.

“If it goes viral, great. If it doesn’t, it’s not affecting my paycheck. It’s not affecting my ministry,” he said.

Backlash, Unsubscribes and a Clear Line

Following the video, Chatfield addressed critics in a blunt social media post.

“It seems I have hit a nerve with my last video on Candace Owens,” he wrote. “Lots have unsubscribed.”

“Please let me apologize if you’re upset... because it’s going to get worse.”

He made his allegiance explicit. “My allegiance is to the Word and the Spirit of God for the sake of God’s flock. Not self-made arbiters of truth.”

Chatfield warned that many who believe they are exposing darkness are actually participating in deception.

“People want to ‘expose darkness’ but don’t realize they’re partnering with a false light,” he wrote, citing 2 Timothy 3:6–7 and 2 Corinthians 11:14.

A Call Back to Scripture and the Church

Despite the sharp tone, Chatfield said his aim is restoration, not destruction.

“My genuine prayer for Candace Owens is that she’s come to her senses,” he said. “But until then, my prayer for you is that you really start taking seriously where you’re consuming your

content from.”

He warned that online content cannot replace biblical community.

“YouTube alone without being connected and submitted is not church,” Chatfield said. “You are susceptible to becoming deceived if you’re not planted in a church.”

Chatfield, who pastors at Love Church, closed with a call to discernment without fear.

“Get your discernment up. Don’t be afraid,” he said. “If I can point you to the Scriptures, it’s going to add clarity to your life and not confusion.”

In his follow-up post, he ended simply. “Regardless of whether you do or don’t, Jesus loves you. And I do, too.”

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Is the Rapture a Secret or a Mystery? What the Bible Actually Says

Across much of the Western world, freedoms once considered

foundational, including religious liberty, freedom of assembly and freedom of conscience, are increasingly constrained. Governments now exercise heightened scrutiny over faith-based communities, and Christian churches that adhere to biblical teaching are often treated with suspicion. What was once associated with authoritarian regimes is now emerging within democratic societies, where state power is increasingly used to pressure or intimidate believers.

A recent report by CBN News highlights a striking example in Germany, where a rapidly growing Christian congregation in Duisburg has faced government obstruction, public suspicion and violent police action, even as its membership continues to expand.

A Bible-Believing Church Under Scrutiny

Bible-believing congregations in Germany are often portrayed as dangerous or extremist, particularly when they experience rapid growth. In a nation where only a small fraction of the population regularly attends church, a thriving congregation can quickly draw suspicion from authorities and critics alike.

The church, known as Wera Forum, grew into the largest congregation in the city, offering services in both German and Russian and drawing hundreds each week for extended worship and fellowship. Its size and influence prompted accusations that it functioned as a cult and exerted psychological pressure on attendees, claims the church publicly rejected by emphasizing transparency, accountability and voluntary participation.

Obstructed at Every Turn

As the congregation outgrew its original building, leaders sought land for a new facility. Their efforts were repeatedly blocked. Authorities denied permits to build a church, banks refused to provide financing and the land eventually

identified for construction was declared contaminated, a designation that would have required costly remediation.

Rather than abandoning the project, church members gathered to pray and sought a second environmental assessment. That evaluation concluded the soil was free of toxins, allowing construction to proceed. With no bank loan and no formal church permit, members built the structure themselves after registering as a tax-free religious organization.



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Armed Raid on the Pastor's Home

The most severe incident occurred after a former attendee falsely claimed the pastor possessed an illegal firearm. Based on that accusation, police launched an early-morning SWAT-style raid on the pastor's home.

Dozens of masked officers forced entry by blowing off the front door and stormed the residence with automatic weapons. The pastor was physically assaulted during the raid, suffering a broken nose and internal bleeding to his eye. He was thrown to the ground while injured and restrained.

The pastor later said the scale and violence of the operation led him to believe the attackers were criminals rather than police.

Family Intimidation and Religious Mockery

During the raid, officers pointed weapons at the pastor's wife, who later required hospitalization due to medical complications triggered by the encounter. As the pastor cried out to Jesus while being beaten, one officer reportedly mocked his faith, telling him that Jesus would not help him.

Despite the aggressive operation, no firearm was found.

Church Targeted and Property Seized

Following the home raid, police extended the operation to the church itself. Armed officers entered the building, broke down doors and searched offices and classrooms. Computers and equipment were seized and later returned after authorities found no evidence of criminal activity.

Nevertheless, the pastor was charged with resisting police. No apology was issued for the injuries, damage to property or trauma inflicted on the family, and no compensation was provided for medical expenses. Authorities declined to offer an explanation for the raid.

Pressure That Strengthened the Church

The pastor, who previously lived under Soviet rule, said the treatment he experienced in Germany was the worst persecution of his life. Yet the attention surrounding the raids drew new visitors to the church, accelerating its growth rather than diminishing it.

Church leaders say the sustained pressure has deepened their faith and reinforced their dependence on God rather than human institutions. What was intended to intimidate has instead strengthened the congregation.

The case serves as a warning that Christian persecution is no longer confined to distant or openly hostile regions of the world. Increasingly, it is unfolding in the heart of the West, where believers are learning that religious freedom can no longer be taken for granted.

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