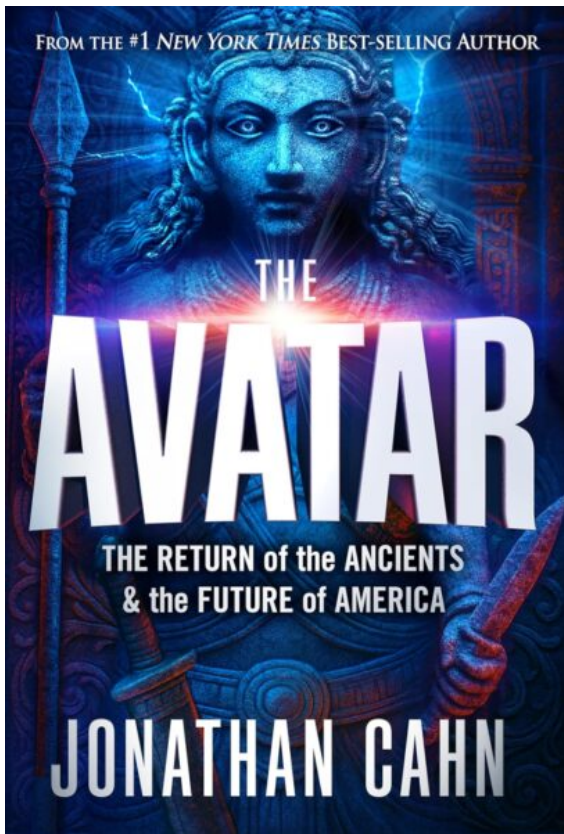


# Vatican Defies God's Covenant: Calls to Divide Israel With Two-State Demand

The Vatican has issued a statement declaring that a two-state solution is the “only way out of the war,” a position that runs directly counter to the biblical truth that [the land of Israel belongs to the Jewish people as a united nation.](#)

***[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories.](#) Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!***

As reported by the LA Times, Pope Leo XIV and his top diplomats told Israeli President Isaac Herzog during their audience Thursday that peace could only come through dividing the land. The Vatican called for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza, the release of all hostages, and the safe entry of humanitarian aid into Palestinian areas. The statement added that “with goodwill and courageous decisions, as well as the support of the international community, it would be possible to secure the release of all hostages, urgently achieve a permanent ceasefire, facilitate the safe entry of humanitarian aid into the most affected areas, and ensure full respect for humanitarian law, as well as the legitimate aspirations of both peoples.”



[Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!](#)

Herzog, for his part, urged the pope to meet with the families of hostages and said Israel was working "in every possible way" to secure their release. He emphasized that the nation was determined to strive for "peace, tranquility and stability" in the region. Herzog also noted that the talks included the importance of protecting Christian minorities in the Middle East and addressing the rise of antisemitism worldwide. "The very fact that Pope Leo XIV, who has only just begun his tenure, received the president of the state of Israel in the Vatican is a very important statement," Herzog said.

The Holy See, however, used the moment [to reiterate its longstanding call for a Palestinian state](#), with its statement stressing that "the two-state solution is the only way out of the ongoing war."

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)

This is a dangerous stance to take. Scripture makes clear that the land of Israel was given by God as an everlasting covenant to Abraham and his descendants (Gen. 17:7-8). Joel 3 warns of God's judgment on nations that divide His land. Any effort to force Israel into partition is not a blessing but a curse. God's Word promises, "I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you" (Gen. 12:3). For the Vatican to oppose the unity of the land of Israel is to put itself at odds with God's eternal decree.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

Israel's existence as one nation is not a political option but a divine mandate. While Israel continues to work for peace and the release of hostages, the call to divide the land in the name of diplomacy ignores the biblical truth that there is no two-state solution, only one state, the nation of Israel as ordained by the Lord.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

## **Church Threatened by Man Claiming to Be Angel of Death Sent to 'Do the Lord's Reaping'**

An Alabama man was arrested after traveling across the country to California where authorities say he threatened a Los Angeles-area church while claiming to be on a divine mission. Officials identified the suspect as 38-year-old Joshua Michael

Richardson, also known as Joshua Michael Jericho, who was taken into custody in late August after [a series of troubling threats.](#)

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

As reported by WVLT 8, Richardson sent an email to St. Michael's Abbey in Silverado Canyon on Aug. 19 in which he claimed to be "Michael the Angel of Death" and the "rider of the pale horse" from the Book of Revelation. He wrote that he had been sent "to do the Lord's reaping before His harvest" and warned that he would be traveling from Alabama to the abbey, one of the few churches in the nation that still practices the Michaelmas feast.

Authorities said Richardson later attended a service at the abbey, followed a priest into a private area, and told him that he had come "to separate the weak from the weeds." Days later, Richardson was arrested in Santa Monica. Inside his vehicle investigators discovered [body armor, high-capacity magazines, brass knuckles and knives.](#)



**[Order James Lasher's Newest Book, "The Revelation of Jesus" on Amazon.com!](#)**

While the threats were taken seriously by law enforcement, what stands out most is how Richardson twisted Scripture to justify his intentions.

Michael is described in Scripture as an archangel who defends God's people, not as an angel of death. The "pale horse" of Revelation represents the unleashing of judgment during the Tribulation, not a role for a man to claim in the present. The harvest imagery used in Matthew and Revelation describes angels gathering at the end of the age at God's command, not individuals carrying out violence today. Even the parable of

the wheat and the tares makes it clear that separation between the righteous and the wicked happens at the end of time, not at the hands of misguided people.

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)

Instead of following Christ's commands to preach the gospel and make disciples, Richardson claimed authority that belongs only to God and His appointed agents. His actions show how dangerous it is when someone confuses symbolic prophecy for a personal mandate and attempts to carry out divine judgment on their own.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

We live in a time when many are deceived and misuse the Bible to justify horrific acts. This is evidence of demonic oppression and manipulation and underscores the urgent need for believers to be filled with the discerning power of the Holy Spirit, rooted in biblical literacy and committed to understanding God's Word rightly.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

## **Worship and Prayer Fill the National Mall in Historic Gathering**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development [Secretary Scott Turner](#) declared Saturday that "faith is back in our

government” as hundreds gathered on the National Mall for the agency’s first faith-based disaster recovery event.

As reported by Fox News, the gathering featured worship leader Sean Feucht as part of HUD’s Innovative Housing Showcase. The event signaled a shift in how the federal government engages with Christian organizations, highlighting the role of churches and ministries in responding to crises.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

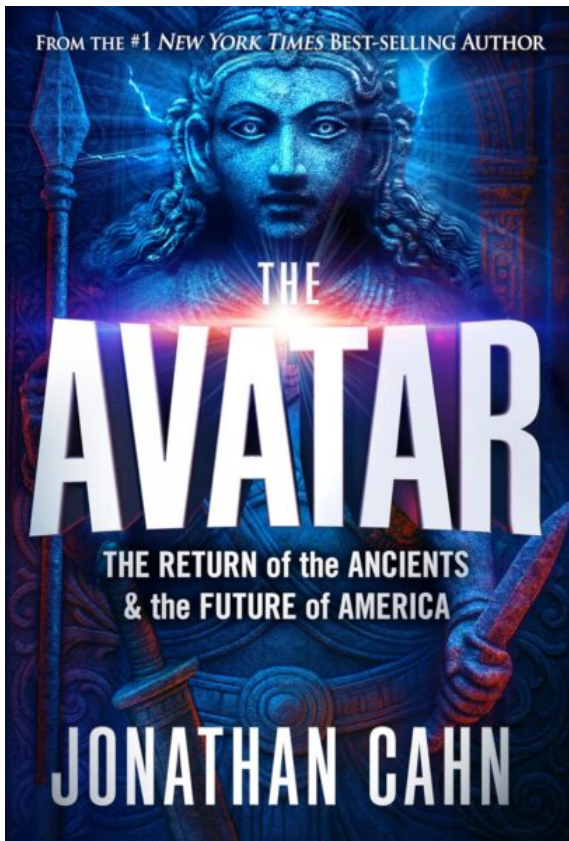
“After disaster strikes, the devastation can be overwhelming. I’ve met with those impacted, heard their stories, and seen the destruction first-hand,” Turner, also an associate pastor, told Fox News Digital. “In these moments, faith-based organizations are often the first to respond. I’ve witnessed their incredible recovery work: homes built, houses of worship turned into emergency centers and small businesses reopened with support from local churches. Under the leadership of President Trump, [faith is back in our government.](#)”

*I can personally attest to this—prayer and worship gatherings are springing up all across the nation (just like we saw on the National Mall this weekend) as we prepare for America’s 250th birthday. It’s time to call our nation back to God.*

□□□□ [pic.twitter.com/Y0PqmNoRKe](https://pic.twitter.com/Y0PqmNoRKe)

– Sean Feucht (@seanfeucht) [September 8, 2025](#)

Turner stressed that the efforts of churches and ministries are not just supplemental. “These [faith-based] organizations are not just filling a gap. They are breathing new life into devastated communities, and HUD’s role is to strengthen their efforts with resources and support needed to recover,” he said.



[Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!](#)

The event began at 6 p.m. on Sept. 6 amid strong wind and rain. Faith leaders from across the nation spoke before Feucht led a time of worship that drew believers to the heart of Washington, D.C.

For Feucht, the moment marked a dramatic turnaround. After years of conflict with governments in cities like Seattle and even in Canada, he saw the federal government officially welcome Christian worship to the nation's capital. "God bless America! Last month up in Canada Mark Carney's Govt did everything he could to keep us from worshipping Jesus... pulling permits, blocking parks, but here in America the Trump Administration is rolling out the red carpet to Christians and giving us a chance to bring worship to the heart of the Capital! God is good!!!" Feucht said in an exclusive statement.

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings,](#)

## [Charisma videos & more!](#)

Feucht's "Let Us Worship" movement began during COVID lockdowns to protest restrictions on church gatherings. Despite opposition and canceled events, it has grown into a nationwide call for revival. He later described the National Mall event as "absolutely historic in every way."

Other speakers included Shayam Menon of HUD's Center for Faith, Dave Donaldson of the White House Faith Office, Pastor Matthew Barnett of the Dream Center, Scottie Stice of the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention, Luther Harrison of Samaritan's Purse, and Rev. Nathan Newman of Mission to North America. Pastor Lorenzo Sewell closed the night with final words of encouragement.

## [Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

The showcase tied into HUD's partnership with the America 250 initiative, commemorating the nation's upcoming 250th birthday. Both Turner and Feucht used the occasion to declare that faith is not only alive but welcomed again at the center of American public life.

Christians should see this event as a reminder of God's mercy and a call to action. Let us pray for America to repent of our collective sin as a nation and turn back towards God.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

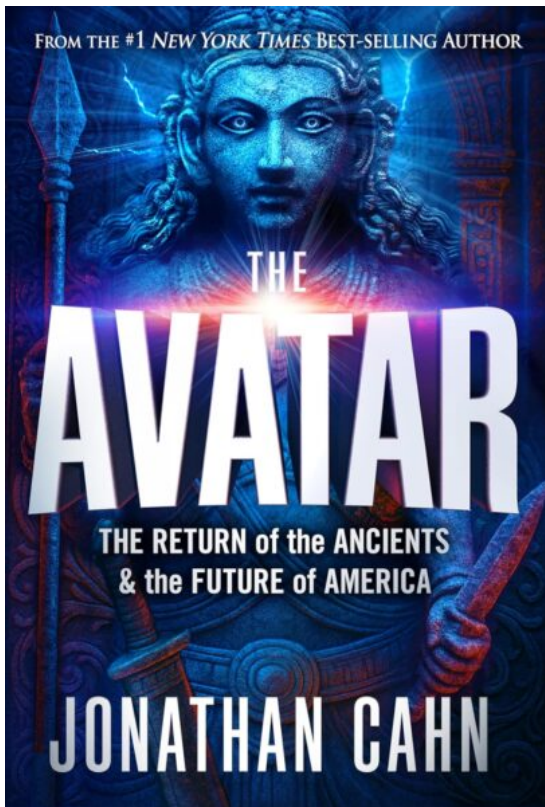
# **Isaiah Saldivar: Christians**

# Can't Treat the Book of Enoch Like the Bible

The book of Enoch is one of the most talked about extra-biblical texts, filled with wild accounts of fallen angels, heavenly visions and end-times judgment. The text details stories of angels who left their place in heaven, intermingled with humanity and faced divine punishment. These themes have sparked curiosity for centuries, but while fascinating, [the book is not part of the biblical canon](#) and has long been a source of debate among Christians. Teachers warn against elevating it above its place as an ancient Jewish writing.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

Revivalist Isaiah Saldivar recently addressed the issue during his verse-by-verse teaching on 1 John 5 and Jude. He acknowledged the historical interest of the book of Enoch but made clear it must never be treated as inspired Scripture. "The book of Enoch could be a valuable historical resource," Saldivar said. "But the book of Enoch is not canon." He explained that it gives readers a glimpse into what Jewish communities thought before the time of Christ, especially about fallen angels and judgment, but it cannot form the basis of Christian belief.



[\*\*Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!\*\*](#)

Saldivar also highlighted the moment in Jude where the writer quotes directly from Enoch. "Jude even, like I just said, quotes him," he said. This reference often causes confusion among Christians who wonder [if the book should be considered part of the Bible](#). Saldivar explained that quoting from a work does not elevate the entire text to inspired status, pointing out that Paul also quoted pagan poets in Acts without endorsing their writings as Scripture.

[\*\*Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!\*\*](#)

While Saldivar did not discourage people from reading Enoch, he gave strong caution on how it should be approached. "Yes, I personally think you can read it, but I don't think you should treat it as the Bible or build your doctrine on it," he said. "And I think you need to read it with discernment. Use the Bible as your filter." For him, any insight from Enoch must pass the test of Scripture. If something contradicts the Word

of God, it must be set aside.

He went further, warning against preachers who misuse Enoch to create sensational teachings. "I'm not going to start preaching out of Enoch or doing a whole bunch of videos out of Enoch said this and creating theology on it," Saldivar said. Instead, he pointed his listeners back to the sufficiency of the Bible, which he said is the only authoritative source for Christian life and doctrine.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

The book of Enoch remains a captivating piece of ancient literature, but as Saldivar emphasizes, Christians should handle it carefully. It may be worth reading for historical understanding, yet it should never be elevated to the level of Scripture. Following Saldivar's advice, believers would do best to treat it as a document of history, not divine revelation.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

## **Freemasonry's Secret Influence in the Modern Church**

Pastor Billy Crone joined Charisma Media to give a deep dive into the spiritual warfare that the church is engaged in today.

Far too many people are either ignorant or unwilling to discuss the forces of Satan targeting Christianity, Crone

says, but these are topics that leadership must teach for members to be educated on what exactly they are facing. Because, as Crone explains, these occult groups are working to overthrow the biblical doctrine God established in His Word for occultic practices.

“A lot of people, even Christians, have heard of Freemasonry,” Crone explains, showcasing how expertly Freemasonry has hidden its true agenda within the church.

“They [society] just think it’s a good-old-boys club. No, it’s not. [It’s an occult, secret society.](#)”

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

One of the driving forces Freemasonry supports is the denial of Jesus Christ as being the only way to the Father, as Crone exposes, thereby condemning followers to an eternity separated from their Creator in hell.

“They believe in a pluralistic deity. They believe in universalism, that all paths will eventually get you to,” Crone says.

“They don’t call it heaven. They call it the Grand Lodge in the sky. It’s a workspace false gospel. No different than trying to earn your way to heaven as a Mormon or Jehovah’s Witnesses,” he continues.

While there are many aspects of Freemasonry which mimic the Christian church, such as different “denominations” like the Shriners, Crone warns that each group will [eventually lead you to a false god](#), not Jesus.

“The interesting thing about Shriners is at one point as a Shriner, you have to, and this is in print, it’s on video...it’s not a conspiracy theory, you have to pledge obedience, and allegiance to the god of Islam, Allah and Muhammad as your prophet,” Crone reveals.

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)

At the pinnacle of all of these cult followings however, Crone shares that the entity waiting for every member is none other than the enemy of God.

“When you get up into the different degrees, you know, upward to the ‘I want to make it to the 32nd, 33rd degree,’ up to the very top, that’s when they dropped the bomb on you and that this spirit, they’re really worshipping is Lucifer,” Crone says.

With a world in turmoil, the only hope for any of us is Jesus Christ. And that, Crone says, is the very reason Satan is trying to deceive as many as possible away from their hope.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

“Jesus Christ is the only way out of this mess,” Crone explains. “And so, what he’s [Satan] been doing, ever since [creation], he’s inventing as many different false paths as he can: different religions, new religions, latest religion, and just to cloud the issue to hopefully get people off the one and only way out of this mess. Freemasonry is just another one.”

*James Lasher is Staff Writer for Charisma Media.*

---

# Scientists Suggest Aliens Created Life on Earth—Exactly What LA Marzulli Has Warned About for Years

For years, Christian researcher and author L.A. Marzulli has warned that UFOs and so-called aliens are not benevolent beings from distant galaxies, but part of [a satanic end times deception](#). Now, a recent article in Futurism highlights exactly the kind of narrative he says will mislead millions.

## Futurism Suggests Earth Was Seeded by Aliens

The Futurism article, “Paper Finds Earth May Have Been Terraformed by ‘Advanced Extraterrestrials,’” reports on a yet-to-be-peer-reviewed paper by Imperial College London professor Robert Endres. The professor argued that the odds of life arising naturally were so small that another possibility had to be considered.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

“The chances that life emerged by pure chance on Earth are so slim that it’s possible that our planet was instead seeded by ‘advanced extraterrestrials,’” the article stated. Endres even speculated, “If advanced civilizations exist, it is not implausible they might attempt similar interventions—out of curiosity, necessity, or design.”

This idea mirrors what Scripture warns about: the temptation to reject God as Creator [and replace Him with a false origin story.](#)

## **Marzulli: Aliens Are Fallen Angels, Not Creators**

Marzulli has long tied this narrative back to Satan's first lie in Eden. "This is exactly the same lie that we heard way back in the Garden. 'Surely God knows that when you take and eat of the fruit, your eyes will be opened, and you'll be like God, knowing good from evil.' Nothing has changed in thousands of years," he said in a previous Charisma Media interview.

According to Marzulli, claims that aliens created life are not scientific breakthroughs, but ancient deceptions resurfacing in modern dress. "Some of the earliest civilizations... speak of celestial beings from the skies that came down, made contact, and interacted with mankind," he explained. But rather than extraterrestrials, Marzulli identifies them as fallen angels masquerading as gods.

## **The Assault on God's Creation**

Endres' theory that life was "seeded" by an advanced race directly undermines biblical truth. Genesis 1 declares that God created the heavens and the earth. Suggesting otherwise, as Marzulli argues, is an attack on God's design and sovereignty.

The Futurism piece even admits that such a theory "violates Occam's razor" but still entertains the possibility. This is evidence of a satanic push to normalize the lie. He warns that when governments, media and now academics frame

extraterrestrials as humanity's origin, they are laying the groundwork for [the great deception that will come in the last days.](#)

## **The Great Deception and the Rapture**

Marzulli warns that UFOs will be used to explain away the Rapture described in 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17. "They're explaining away the rapture of the church," he said. "When we go up, they show up."

The Futurism article goes one step further, speculating about Earth being terraformed by another species: "Today, humans seriously contemplate terraforming Mars or Venus... If advanced civilizations exist, it is not implausible they might attempt similar interventions."

[\*\*Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!\*\*](#)

This is the very narrative Marzulli has long said will be presented to the world when millions of Christians vanish. Rather than acknowledge Christ's return, the deception will claim aliens took humanity to "cleanse" the planet.

## **The Biblical Response**

Marzulli emphasizes that this is not just a scientific discussion but a spiritual war. He points to testimonies of alien abductions ending when victims invoked the name of Jesus. "When a person uses that name, when he cries out to the Lord, the Lord shows up, and the abductions stop," he said.

That reality exposes the spiritual root behind this deception. Aliens are not saviors. They are not creators. They are not advanced beings with higher knowledge. They are fallen angels working to draw humanity away from God.

## **Standing Against the Lie**

The Futurism article is just the latest example of what Marzulli has been declaring for decades: the end times deception is unfolding before our eyes. It is an assault on God, His creation and His Word.

Marzulli issues a sobering warning: "Something is coming. When it arrives, it will change everything. It will change the entire globe, and do it in an instant."

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

Christians must be alert, rooted in the truth of Scripture and unshaken when the deception arrives. The Bible prophesied of it, Marzulli has warned of it and now the headlines themselves are testifying to its reality.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

## **Jerusalem Terror Attack Leaves 6 Dead as Zechariah's Prophecy Comes Alive**

A deadly terrorist shooting in the northern neighborhood of Ramot left six people dead and more than a dozen others injured Monday morning. The attack, which took place near a crowded bus stop, has shaken the city and once again placed Israel's security challenges at the forefront of world attention.

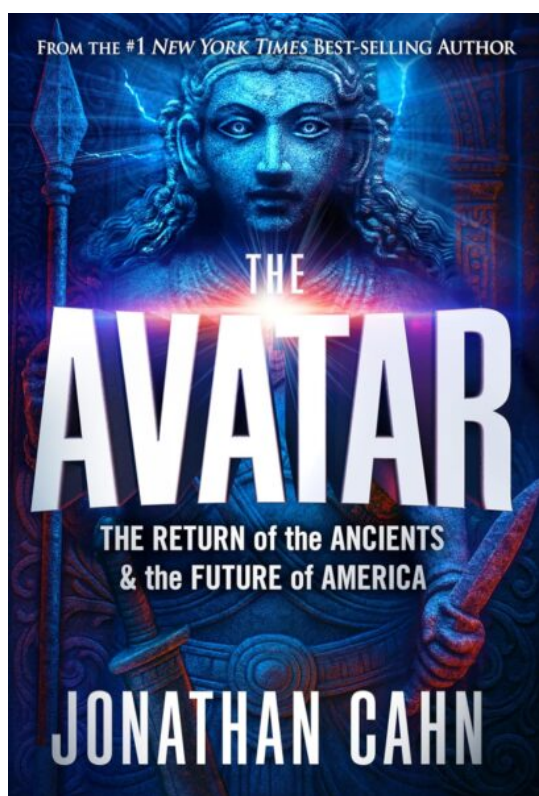
As reported by Israel365 News, [two armed terrorists opened](#)

[fire on civilians](#) with “locally manufactured ‘Carlo’ submachine guns.” The victims included a man and a woman in their 50s, as well as three men in their 30s. Magen David Adom emergency responders rushed to the scene, treating “seven critically injured individuals” while others sustained moderate and light wounds.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

Israeli security forces acted quickly, with “an IDF squad commander and an armed civilian neutralizing the attackers on the spot.” Authorities believe the terrorists arrived from a village near Ramallah, and checkpoints between Jerusalem and Judea and Samaria were immediately closed for security sweeps.

The Bible speaks directly of Jerusalem facing increasing hostility in the last days.



**[Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!](#)**

Zechariah 12:2-3 declares, “I am going to make Jerusalem a cup of reeling before all the surrounding nations. And when there

is a siege against Judah, it is also against Jerusalem. And it will be on that day that I will set Jerusalem as a weighty stone to all the peoples. All who carry it will surely gash themselves, and all the nations of the land will be gathered against it.”

Attacks such as the one in Ramot show how [violence against Israel is a recurring reality](#) that will intensify until the Antichrist rises and establishes a temporary false peace with the Jewish nation.

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)

Hamas praised the shooting, calling it “a natural response to the occupation’s crimes,” language that stirs division and emboldens further violence. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu convened an emergency meeting with top security officials, promising that Israel’s fight against terrorism will continue.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

This tragedy highlights both the fragility of peace and the faithfulness of God’s Word. We are instructed to “pray for the peace of Jerusalem” (Ps. 122:6). At a time when innocent lives are being taken in acts of terror, prayer remains the most powerful response, lifting up Israel before the God who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

**James Lasher** is staff writer for Charisma Media.

---

# Ignoring Sin in Churches Is Fueling Its Spread in Society

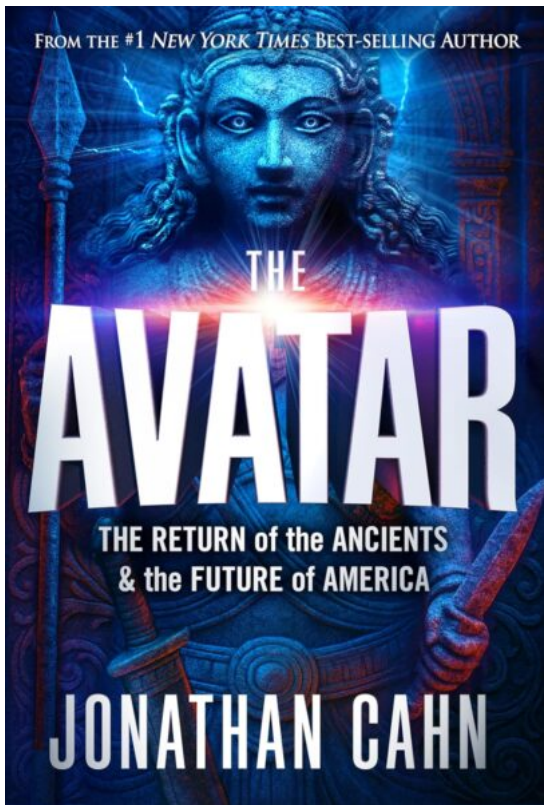
A new survey has revealed that many Christians no longer fully embrace biblical teachings about sin, a trend one veteran researcher says is a “bodyblow” to the church. The findings highlight [the dangers of neglecting](#) one of the most basic elements of Scripture: that all people have sinned and need redemption through Jesus Christ.

As reported by The Christian Post, the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University released the eighth installment of its 2025 “American Worldview Inventory” on Thursday. Based on responses from 2,000 U.S. adults, the survey found that while 84% agreed “sin exists” and “it is real,” far fewer were willing to personally identify themselves as sinners.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

George Barna, director of research at the center, placed the blame squarely on America’s pulpits. “The job of the local church is to educate people about God’s ways,” Barna said. “Yet, a 2019 Pew Research study that analyzed sermon content across the nation determined that just 3% of all sermons preached even mentioned sin. That’s a devastating bodyblow to the Church world.”

This absence of teaching is not without consequence. Scripture makes clear that “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Rom. 3:23). [To downplay or dismiss sin](#) is to open the door for its prevalence in society. Barna warned, “For an overwhelming majority of Christian churches to suppress the reality of sin, its consequences, and its solutions from the people those churches serve is a travesty.”



[Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!](#)

Today, sin manifests openly across culture, from lawlessness in the streets to corruption in leadership. Yet, many Americans continue to take refuge in the belief that "other people have a sin problem, but they personally do not" or that "sin is an outdated concept." According to Barna, these are "harmful strategies" that erode both faith and morality.

The survey also showed that 70% of those who believe in sin still claim people are "basically good at heart," a notion Barna said dismisses the eternal seriousness of rebellion against God. "Describing all people as 'basically good at heart' is the culturally-comfortable dismissal of sin that millions of people use to ignore the possibility that their love affair with disobedience to God is a life-threatening spiritual disease with eternal consequences," he explained.

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)

The Bible warns that “the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rom. 6:23). Ignoring sin doesn’t make it disappear. It allows it to spread unchecked in individuals, churches, and entire nations. That is why the call for pastors, parents and teachers is urgent. “Parents, pastors and religious influencers have a vital responsibility to keep basic biblical truths before the Christian body, including the reality of sin and its repercussions,” Barna said.

Preaching the whole counsel of God, including the uncomfortable truths about sin, is not optional. It is essential. “Inserting sin back into the national consciousness would be an invaluable investment into who we are as a nation and as the Church,” Barna continued.

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

For the health of the church and the future of the nation, pastors must preach more than what comforts the ear. They must preach the truth about sin, its consequences and the eternal hope found only in Jesus Christ.

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

## **Mike Huckabee: Hamas Driven by ‘Most Demonic Forces Ever Unleashed’**

U.S. Ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee told CBN News that [the ongoing conflict with Hamas](#) is not only geopolitical but

spiritual, calling the terrorist group “demonic” in its actions and intentions.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

“It’s not because of Israel. It’s because of Hamas,” Huckabee said about the length and brutality of the war. “Israel would love for this to have ended on October the 8th of 2023, but Hamas stubbornly wants to inflict as much suffering as possible, not just on Israel. They don’t mind inflicting suffering on their own people, which they have done.”

## **Hostages and Gaza Campaign**

Huckabee said [Israel has been left with no choice but to push deeper into Gaza](#) after Hamas repeatedly stalled hostage talks. “Hamas will walk up to the table and pretend they’re going to make some type of deal that would let the hostages go and then they always walk away and then they add new conditions,” he said.

He added that the president has been clear about the conditions to end the war. “Two things had to happen. One, all the hostages come home. Not some, all of them. And the second thing he said is that Hamas has no future in Gaza. They’re going to have to leave.”

## **Europe’s Push for Palestinian Statehood**

Huckabee criticized recent efforts in Europe to unilaterally recognize a Palestinian state. “It was the most insane thing when the European countries did this. First of all, it’s a

violation of the Oslo Accords. So that's a problem. They can't declare a Palestinian state. They just can't do that," he said.

He argued that the push "empowered Hamas and emboldened them" while undermining chances for deescalation. "What they are accomplishing is the polar opposite of what they say they want."

## **Media Bias and Public Opinion**

The ambassador acknowledged Israel's struggle in the war of public opinion, blaming both media bias and misinformation. "The monolithic media is so against them," Huckabee said. "United Nations puts out whatever they say through the quote Gaza Health Ministry, that's Hamas. They'll issue numbers and stories, the UN then publishes it without verifying any of it. Every network pretty much in the world will carry it as if it's so."

He said Israel must do more to reach younger generations. "I tell them to get a bunch of social media influencers because the real problem is with Generation Z. That's where they're losing ground and that then affects as it bubbles up to generations above."

## **A Spiritual Conflict**

Beyond politics, Huckabee described the struggle in stark spiritual terms. "Most people view this as a battle between Hamas and Israel. There's something much deeper going on," he said. "This is a battle of the ages. This is not horizontal. It's not left, right, liberal, conservative. This is a vertical battle. It's heaven versus hell. It's good versus evil."

[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings,](#)

[Charisma videos & more!](#)

He said the atrocities of Oct. 7 proved Hamas's nature. "What Hamas did was a level of evil the likes of which you just look throughout all history and would be hard pressed to find anything like it. Where does that come from? It comes from an evil that originates from the most demonic forces that have ever been unleashed on this earth."

## Call to Prayer

Huckabee urged Christians to continue praying for Israel. "The scripture tells us to pray for the peace of Jerusalem. And I would say that there's a reason that that's in the scripture. Because we should pray for the peace of Jerusalem. If there's peace in Jerusalem, there'll be peace around the world."

[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)

He added, "Prayer will change things. But prayer also always changes the person who is praying. That's why we pray."

*James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.*

---

# Nephilim Deception Threatens Believers: Why Only Jesus Provides Victory

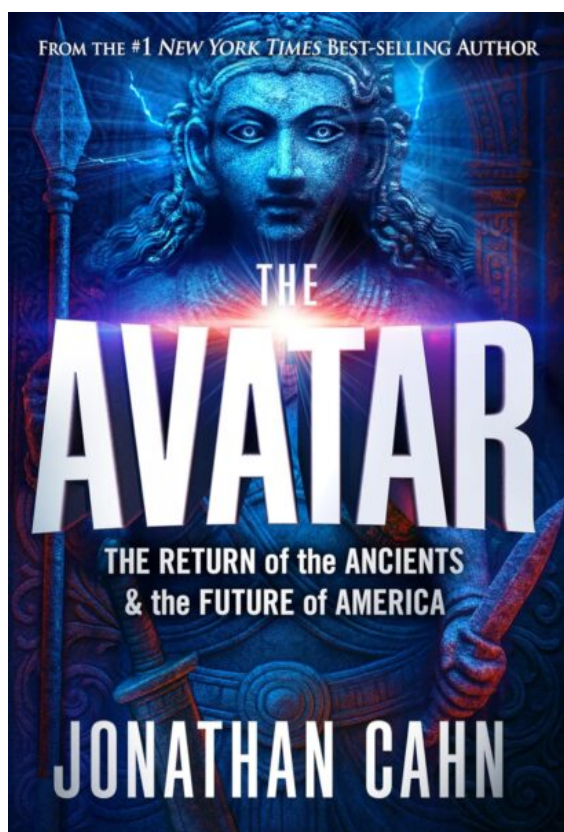
The Nephilim are not just ancient figures from Genesis. [They are real and active today,](#) working through portals and spiritual deception to draw people away from God. Their

presence underscores the reality of an unseen war raging around humanity.

**[Breaking News. Spirit-Filled Stories. Subscribe to Charisma on YouTube now!](#)**

On The Big Picture podcast, host Larry Ragland spoke with Tony Merkel of The Confessionals podcast about how these beings operate. Merkel described how dark entities recruit individuals into allegiance. “Some people are recruited by entities to pledge allegiance to them. And when some people say yes to it, it sets their life on a different path,” he said. “I’ve never come across anybody who said no that was recruited more than once.”

These Nephilim and their spiritual counterparts are not united. Merkel said, “Though they are against ‘big G’ God, they got their own little quarrels amongst each other.” Their infighting does not lessen their danger but reveals a kingdom of darkness filled with chaos.



**[Order Jonathan Cahn's Newest Book, "The Avatar" on Amazon.com!](#)**

At the center of their strategy is deception. “The Bible says that the devil is a liar, the father of lies. There’s no truth in him. When he fell, he lost the ability to process truth. He knows what’s true but he can’t process what’s true,” Merkel explained.

Their goal is not to raise Satan worshipers but to keep people from following Christ. “I don’t think Satan cares if you’re a Satan worshiper or not. I think he cares if you’re a Jesus worshiper or not,” Merkel said.

**[Get your FREE CHARISMA NEWSLETTERS today! Stay up-to-date with current issues, Holy Spirit news, Christian teachings, Charisma videos & more!](#)**

Citing Ephesians, Merkel reminded listeners that [this war is structured and organized](#). “We wrestle not against flesh and blood. We’re fighting principalities, rulers of the darkness of this world, spiritual wickedness in high places,” he said.

Ragland emphasized that the reality of portals and Nephilim activity is part of God’s larger revelation. “There’s more going on in this world than what you can see, hear, taste or feel,” he told viewers. “Your senses will not identify it. It’s the spirit realm.”

**[Join Charisma Magazine Online to follow everything the Holy Spirit is doing around the world!](#)**

The two confirmed that spiritual warfare is not symbolic or metaphorical but a present reality. The Nephilim and demonic forces are active, operating through deception and portals to ensnare humanity. For believers this war demands vigilance, faith and a steadfast commitment to Jesus who alone gives victory over the powers of darkness.

**James Lasher is staff writer for Charisma Media.**