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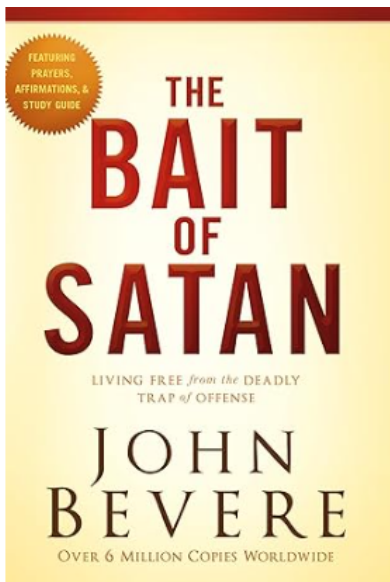
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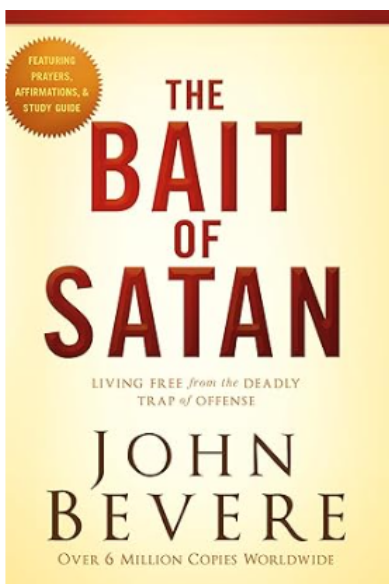
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[What We Should Know About Kamala Harris' Faith](#)

Until she [debated Donald Trump this week](#) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Vice President Kamala Harris had only done one interview since President Biden endorsed her on July 21 as his choice for the Democratic ticket. It's been difficult to determine her positions on issues because she hasn't done press conferences—and leading up to the debate she flip-flopped on several topics.

Maybe some people don't care what a candidate's positions are as long as they are affiliated with their party. But I want to know where a politician stands on issues such as crime, taxation, national security, inflation, education, and the health and welfare of our kids. I also want to know about a candidate's religion—not because I'm expecting my president to be a pastor, but because I believe a candidate's faith says a lot about their moral values.

So when I began searching for [information about Harris' faith](#), I discovered that other people have said much more about it than she has. Harris has tiptoed carefully through the minefield of public scrutiny of her religion. Her faith is, in fact, a mixture of many faiths—Hinduism, Christianity and Judaism. Here's what we know:

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Extraordinary Election

This is not a normal presidential election. The stakes could not be higher at this defining moment when progressive secularists advance the “fundamental transformation of America,” while patriotic conservatives seek to preserve the traditional ideals of our Founding Fathers.

Have we reached the point of no return? “With God all things are possible (Matt. 19:26), so I’m not a pessimist but an optimist. I’m also a realist, and if we continue compromising biblical precepts and sell out, disregarding 2 Chronicles 7:14 conditions for “healing our land,” then God is not obligated to some supernatural sovereign intervention (see Romans 1, which lays out what happens to those persisting in turning from God and His Word).

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Pastoral Alert

God has strict judgment for those misleading people in teaching His Word (James 3:1) and for “watchmen” failing to alert people of impending dangers (Ezek. 33:6).

Today, leaders, groups and publications (Sojourners ministry, Rick Warren’s Saddleback Church, Southern Baptist Russell

Moore, Andy Stanley's Northpoint church, some contributors to Christianity Today and others) are justifiably being scrutinized for compromise and "woke" leanings. Investigations are exposing those who are supporting LGBTQ and transgender agendas, gender affirmative surgical mutilation, receiving hefty donations from anti-Christ Leftist groups, identifying with those advancing notions of a white supremacist nation and/or Black Lives Matter propaganda. Be alert, informed and extremely discerning with the widespread deception increasing at this time.

Former Governor Mike Huckabee calls on pastors to "rise to the occasion and view the spiritual battle as one in which they see themselves as captains on a battleship, not simply a love boat keeping people happy and entertained more than the church down the street."

Sacred Duty

Jesus directs us to "render unto Caesar" (Mark 12:17)—honor legitimate citizenship duties while benefiting from rights and privileges—which for us include praying; voting; exercising our freedom of speech, religion, assembly, and so forth; and, when necessary, appealing to authority ("due process") as Paul did three times as a Roman citizen.

We have an imperative: Save America from insidious forces seeking to undermine our Judeo-Christian foundations and heritage. This is primarily a battle between good and evil, not Republicans versus Democrats! The Bible commands us to exercise discernment (Phil. 1:9), so may we vote for candidates not on the basis of emotion, party affiliation, skin color, sex or charisma. Character counts, morality matters and discernment decides for whom we cast our vote.

There simply is no flawless politician enabling us to check all the boxes in our pursuit of perfection. Voting for a president means voting for an administration with accompanying

policies, Cabinet positions, appointed department heads and judges across the land.

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Who Best Reflects Your Core Beliefs?

The United States of America was established not as a pure democracy (majority rules) but rather as a constitutional republic, in which our Constitution provides for elected representatives (with checks and balances and three branches of accountable government preventing one party/person rule), where officials serve “we the people,” not the reverse as in a monarchy, dictatorship or communist regime.

I personally have supported Donald Trump in the past and plan to do so in 2024 despite his flaws, shortcomings and past sins. My focus is first and foremost on Jesus, my Lord and Savior, but I prayerfully support Trump (not idolize or apologize for him) and vote for him in faith, believing he gives America our best chance to make progress. Christians are called to be “salt,” holding back decay.

A truck driver recently told me if he “got in a mess” he’d find the very best attorney, not to “hang out and share a few beers with but to use his skills to get me out of trouble—that’s what I’ll do voting in 2024.” The same logic applies if you needed a skilled surgeon for serious cancer removal. Doctor X has a 95% success rate but is impersonal and blunt, while Doctor Y may be personable and hold your hand before an operation yet he’s a novice with a 20% success rate. Who would you choose for the job?

Useful Idiot or Discerning Disciple?

Prayerfully approach our Good Shepherd for guidance and ask yourself these questions when you go to vote.

Is the candidate: A friend or foe to Christians? Supports policies contrary to Scripture? Promotes taking the life of unborn babies? Supports elimination of private health insurance? Supported a fund to bail out violent protesters during 2020 riots? Stated that America should abolish Immigration and Customs Enforcement)?

Named "The Most Liberal U.S. Senator" in 2019? Stated that it should not be labeled a crime to enter the United States illegally? Suggested reparation payments to atone for slavery in the U.S. past? Dishonors the rule of law and weaponizes government against opponents? Supports surgical mutilation of 12-year-olds confused about gender? Supports "open borders," endangering national security and violating established immigration laws, resulting in 100,000 missing children alongside 100,000 cartel driven fentanyl deaths annually?

Endorses boys/men in girls' restrooms, changing rooms and sporting activities? Opposes parental rights in schools regarding pornographic books, drag shows and transgender activity without parental notification? Promotes LGBTQ, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Critical Race Theory, the 1619 Project and sex/transgender educational materials in our schools, government institutions and military?

Vacillates on solidarity with Israel alongside financial support for radical Islamic entities pledged to destroy the Jewish state? Committed to increased taxation of corporations and individuals along with unsustainable spending for Green New Deal scams and entitlement giveaways including those for illegal immigrants? Continues attacks on our "freedom to bear

arms” right guaranteed in Second Amendment? Historically and aggressively opposes “fracking” for needed fuel supplies yet conveniently changes course to get votes?

Here’s the deal: You and I have a sacred responsibility and privilege to vote. “As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord” (Josh. 24:15c), and I hope you will vote as an informed influencer—not a useful idiot!

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"We are excited to announce the beginning of an extraordinary journey that started as a dream in our hearts to be Pastors of a vibrant church passionate about the presence of God and filled with people who love God and love people," the site reads. "We believe God gave us this dream and many prophetic words, beginning when we were young, for such a time as this."

The site further notes that the couple was taking time to seek the Lord through [rest and prayer](#) to hear from God on what should come next.

"We are filled with anticipation, expectation, and hope as we hear from God about when, where, and how to plant a church. This journey is not just about reaching a destination but about embracing the profound experiences and growth along the way. We are confident that God is good and in control."

Now, after this announcement, they have revealed the name of their new church plant.

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According to the Christian Post, the name of the new church was shared on X.

Breaking news (📌)

James and Bridgette Morris have received the name of their new church (grift) from the Lord.

Passage Church (📌) pic.twitter.com/4VXe9JvBFm

– Amy Smith (@watchkeep) [September 10, 2024](#)

“Thank you for praying with and for us!” The post read. “We have spent the past few weeks praying and seeking the Lord, and we feel like God has confirmed the name through multiple scriptures and people. The name is Passage Church!”

The post describes how the couple landed on the name Passage Church, first referencing the word passage as a synonym for Scripture, and as a journey from one location to another.

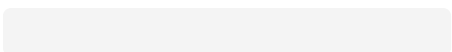
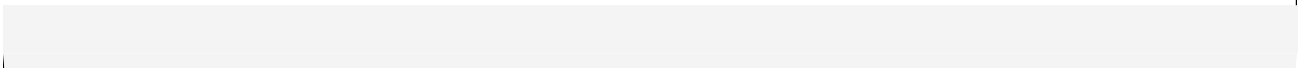
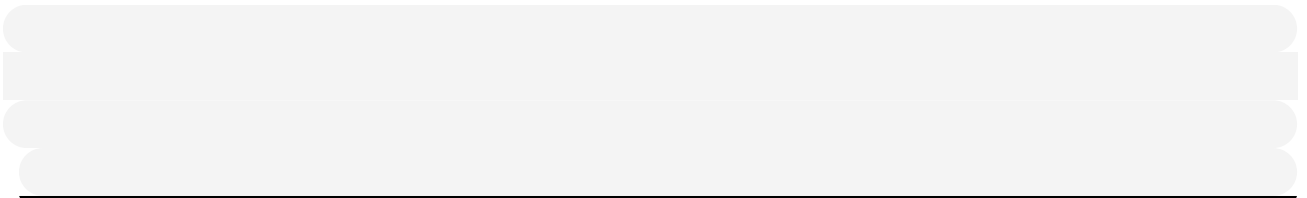
“Passage Church is on the move and filled with people pursuing God in every season. Every person’s life is filled with transitions and journeys; we will be a place that helps people no matter what stage of their journey, pointing them towards Jesus and a relationship with God.”

Right now, they are planning on having an interest meeting in October and are still looking for a location for the church to meet.

Both James and Bridgette shared posts on Instagram about the coming launch of the church with the Scripture reference of Habbakuk 2:3.



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A post shared by Bridgette Morris (@psbridgettemorris)

As this couple launches a new church, keep them and their family in prayer, along with all of those who call [Gateway their home church](#) during this time of transition.

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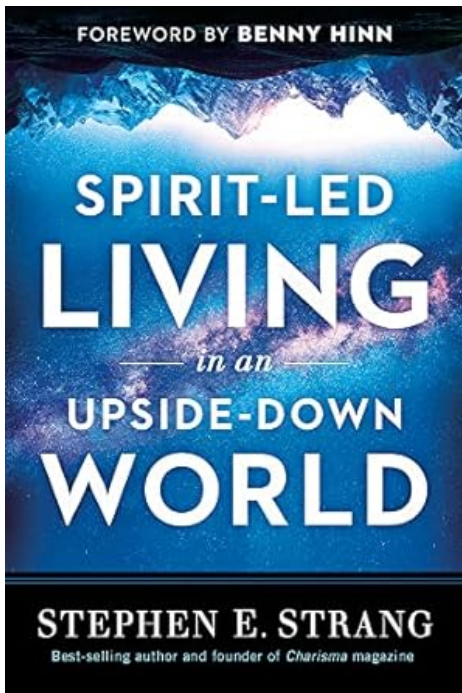
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"It feels like the end times," Beck says. "Enough of the signs are here that it could happen quickly."

One of the biggest signs of the end times that Carlson and Beck point to is the rapid growth of artificial intelligence.

"We think we're God. And what's really bad is we're about to create 'god': AI," Beck says. "We are about to create a being. These scientists think they can handle this...you have to understand that is an alien life. They don't even know how it comes up with answers."

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"We create this new life form; we don't even know how it thinks or comes up with its answers," he continues. "It is an alien life form."

Carlson makes the point that we do not know when the end will come, wondering why we should be afraid. Beck believes the book of Revelation is meant to provide us with the information

we need so we can clearly see when the end is coming near.

“That’s the point of the book of Revelation. That’s the [point of prophecy](#),” says Beck.

Beck and Carlson are both former media personalities for Fox News. Beck says he knew that working for Fox was taking a toll on the well-being of his soul.

“My prompting was, ‘if you don’t leave now, you won’t leave with your soul,’” Beck says. “I want my soul.”

One story Beck shared with Carlson was how he was asked to stop telling people to pray while he was on air, and to quit using the name of God. He claims that former Fox CEO Roger Ailes told him that God had bigger problems to worry about than the viewers’ prayers.

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“He said, ‘And another thing: God’s got wars and big issues to deal with. He doesn’t want to hear from all of these people.’ I looked at him and I thought he was joking at first, and he didn’t crack a smile. And I said, ‘I don’t think you understand how that works.’ And he said, ‘Well, here’s how it works here: Stop saying God. Stop saying God,’” Beck recounts.

A month after this, Beck says Ailes called him into his office for [continuing to speak about God](#).

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Taylor Swift Tries to Put Her Finger on the Electoral Scale, Picks Between Trump and Kamala

If you're one of those hardcore Democrats who rage against NFL fans who are irked by cutaways to Taylor Swift taking away attention from Kansas City Chiefs games, all I have to say is this: Now you know how they feel.

On Tuesday night, Vice President Kamala Harris and former President Donald Trump met for the first [presidential debate](#). I say first because things went well enough for Harris that, almost immediately following the match-up, her campaign said they were up for a rematch – something they hadn't agreed to.

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Like it or not, Trump fans, but Tuesday wasn't an unalloyed victory – nor, in fact, was anyone spinning it that way. After a strong start, the debate turned into a three-on-one in which both moderators repeatedly rebuked Trump for virtually every breath of air he took.

It didn't help matters any, either, that the former president managed to take the bait on a Harris dig about crowd sizes that literally nobody should have cared about – but that, unfortunately, Trump did, very much.

Kamala Harris just baited Trump into going on an unhinged rant about crowd size.

Executed perfectly 30 minutes into the debate.
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– Brian Krassenstein (@krassenstein) [September 11, 2024](#)

Trump regained his footing later in the debate, especially delivering a strong closing statement – but, by that point, the headlines had already written themselves.

Here are just a few from the front splash page of The New York Times, pretty much the official party organ of the Democratic establishment: “Harris Puts Trump on Defensive in Fierce Debate.” “Donald Trump Made a Raving, Rambling Fool of Himself in That Debate.” “Over 90 Minutes, Trump Descended to His True Self.”

It was nowhere near that bad, of course, but Tuesday night was going to be Kamala’s night in establishment media-land. Or it was going to be her night, except for a scene-stealer and attention sponge that we’ve come to know (bad pun incoming) all too well.

The Taylor Swift endorsement has landed.
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– Abby D. Phillip (@abbydphillip) [September 11, 2024](#)

Yes, on a night where the import thing should have been Americans deciding who they would vote for as the leader of the free world, [Taylor Swift](#) decided it was high time make America know who she was voting for to be said leader.

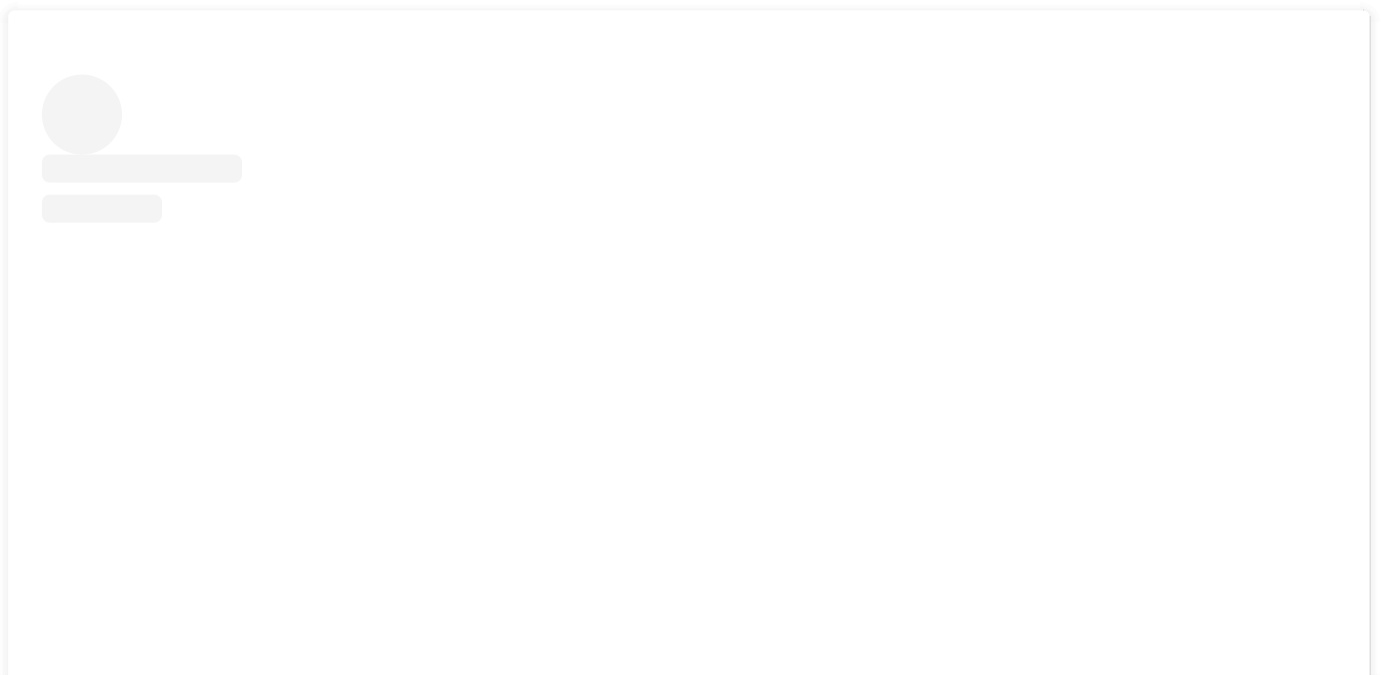
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“Like many of you, I watched the debate tonight. If you haven’t already, now is a great time to do your research on the issues at hand and the stances these candidates take on the topics that matter to you the most. As a voter, I make sure to watch and read everything I can about their proposed policies and plans for this country,” she said on Instagram.

“I will be casting my vote for Kamala Harris and Tim Walz in the 2024 Presidential Election. I’m voting for @kamalaharris because she fights for the rights and causes I believe need a warrior to champion them. I think she is a steady-handed, gifted leader and I believe we can accomplish so much more in this country if we are led by calm and not chaos. I was so heartened and impressed by her selection of running mate @timwalz, who has been standing up for LGBTQ+ rights, IVF, and a woman’s right to her own body for decades,” she continued.

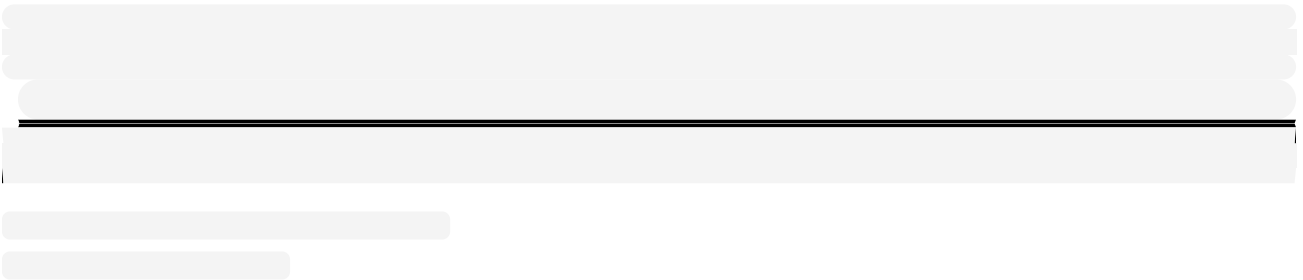
“I’ve done my research, and I’ve made my choice. Your research is all yours to do, and the choice is yours to make. I also want to say, especially to first time voters: Remember that in order to vote, you have to be registered! I also find it’s much easier to vote early. I’ll link where to register and find early voting dates and info in my story.”

She signed off as “[Taylor Swift](#), Childless Cat Lady.” Sigh.





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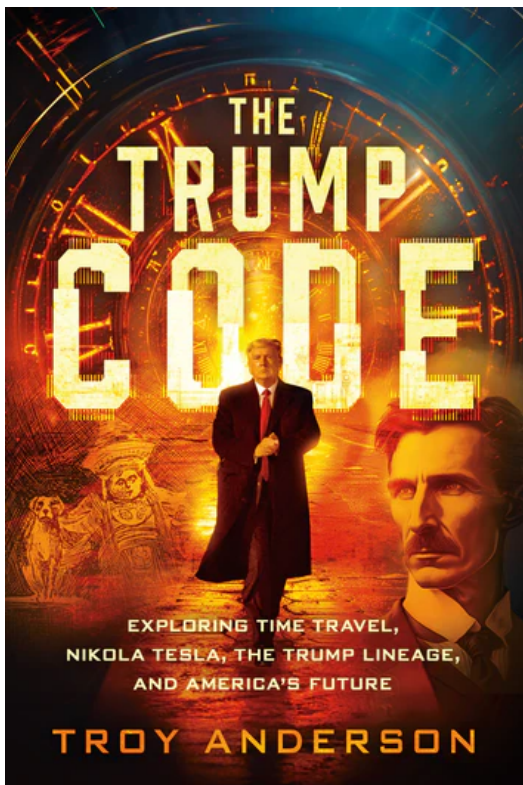
A post shared by Taylor Swift (@taylorswift)

Now, the question has been posed before: “Why should we care?” And those words aren’t coming from me, they’re coming from a guest essay in the New York Times titled “The Taylor Swift Endorsement Fantasy” from just a few days ago, penned by B.D. McClay – billed as “a critic, essayist and Swiftie.”

“Ms. Swift’s popularity can’t be discounted, and it cuts through all sorts of American divides. An NBC News poll in 2023 reported that Ms. Swift was regarded favorably or

neutrally by nearly 80 percent of registered voters,” McClay wrote.

“If she wears a specific pair of shoes in public, those shoes might sell out the moment they’re identified. But our political decisions are and should be rooted in more practical concerns. Anger among Arab American voters in Michigan over U.S. support for Israel and the war in Gaza, for example, is significant enough that it could cost Democrats the state. The idea that a Swiftie-inclined voter might ignore [those concerns](#) simply because of an endorsement from a favorite pop star isn’t just insulting; it’s dystopian.”



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The fact that McClay thinks that we’re not in this dystopian timeline of celebrity worship is quaint and charming, but unconvincing. Yes, there is evidence that a Swift endorsement is irrelevant; her one foray into politics came when she endorsed former Tennessee Democrat Gov. Phil Bredesen in what was, when she made the endorsement, a statistically tied race

between him and Rep. Marsha Blackburn in 2018. In a bad year for Republicans, Blackburn ended up winning by almost 11 points.

That being said, America is not Tennessee and unlike Breseden – who I find unimpressive, but at least a man who pretends substance matters – the Harris-Walz campaign has exhausted the words “joy” and “vibes” without even bothering to touch on the dreaded P-word. (“Policy.”)

In that environment, yes, “Childless Cat Lady” Taylor Swift’s endorsement will matter more than it probably should. On the other hand, she made the endorsement in a way that can be taken advantage of by Republicans, should they play their cards right.

Remember, this was supposed to be Kamala Harris’ night. If there’s going to be a high point for the Harris-induced media-gasm, it’ll be over the next 24 hours. So, who comes along to take the spotlight? Taylor Swift, of course, who could have made this endorsement during a quiet week and made more of an impact. As always, this is about her, not about America.

In fact, Taylor’s website was already selling Harris-Walz-themed merch just after the endorsement. (Yes, she clearly made her mind up during the debate. If my eyes rolled back any harder after typing that, I’d give myself a traumatic brain injury.)

□| *Kamala Harris' official website now offers friendship bracelets for sale following Taylor Swift's endorsement!*

"Are you ready for it? Harris-Walz friendship bracelets are here!" pic.twitter.com/HnCROLWp0n

– The Eras Tour (@tswifterastour) [September 11, 2024](#)

And let’s not forget why Taylor Swift is famous. Not just

because of her songs, but what her (usually autobiographical) songs are about:

Reminder:

Taylor Swift has built an entire career on her inability to choose the right man.

Now, she wants us to trust her to choose our next President. Yeah, I'll pass.

– CJ Pearson (@thecjpearson) [September 11, 2024](#)

She's made a career out of picking the wrong man and then writing about it when it failed. Now, one can only hope she can write one of those ditties about a woman, as well.

At the very least, Kamalites, now you know why everyone gets annoyed at the camera cutaways to Taylor Swift during football games. It's not misogyny and it's not troglodytism, it's merely that this is who she is: someone who must be the center of attention, whether she belongs there or not.

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Jonathan Cahn: How a Leader

From 1630 Prophesied the Judgment of 9/11 on America

“America has been a refuge to the needy, blessed the house of Israel ... spread the gospel,” says Cahn. “But now we’ve turned so far that ... we’re not lighting the world.”

9/11 Survivors: God Sustained Us After the Horror

Note: On 9/11, Christina and Brian Stanton fled their Financial District apartment, six blocks from the World Trade Center, after watching a jet fly into the Twin Towers. They returned less than two weeks later and found a neighborhood that was barely recognizable nor inhabitable. Little has been written about what the 25,000 people who lived in the neighborhoods surrounding Ground Zero faced in those days.

Nine days after 9/11, we were encouraged to return to our Financial District apartment. The management company emailed that our building had been declared structurally sound, electricity had been restored, and asbestos levels in the neighborhood were very low.

Brian was delighted. I was not. Fires were still raging at Ground Zero. Two million tons of debris had been spread over 16 acres of devastation smack in the middle of our neighborhood. The search for human remains continued just blocks outside our apartment building’s front door.

However, building management, Mayor Giuliani, the

Environmental Protection Agency and President Bush were all telling us it was safe to return. So on Sept. 23, we headed back to our apartment.

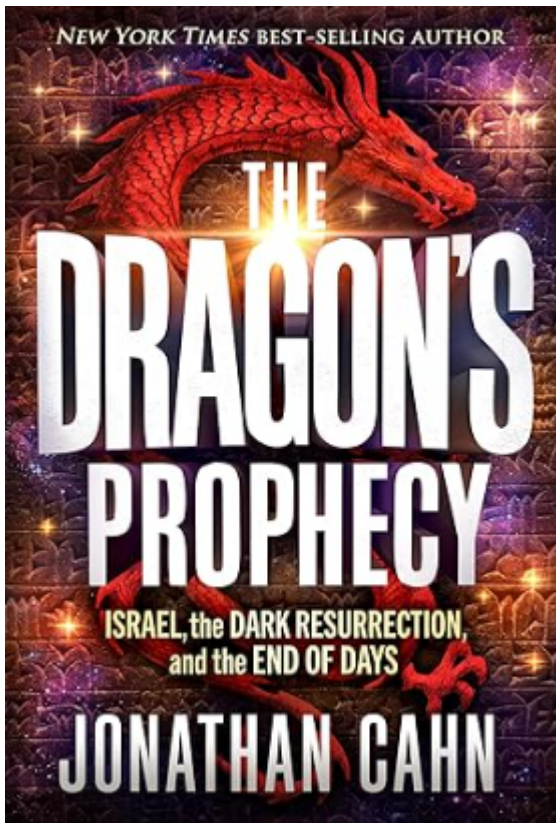
As we ascended from the subway, the sulfuric stench seemed as pungent as it had been on 9/11. Papers, dirt and chunks of concrete were piled haphazardly on top of dust and debris-covered cars, awnings, and trash cans. Scraps of twisted metal hung from window sills and fire escapes.

Our apartment building—a 1931 office that had been converted into 294 apartments on 33 floors—was coated in dust so thick I could barely tell the difference between windows and the brick façade. However, the lobby appeared to have been freshly washed, and the gold art deco elements shined.

We learned this gleaming lobby had sheltered people when the Twin Towers crumbled and later provided a break room for firefighters working at Ground Zero. A few employees had been taking turns sleeping in the lobby, climbing stairs in the dark to check on abandoned pets and watch for looters.

Our apartment had been cleaned, but soot and fine dust coated everything. We stepped onto our terrace to scenes from a combat zone: mounds of debris at Ground Zero, crushed cars in an open-air parking lot, twisted metal and debris everywhere. A burned-out fire truck was resting in a small park nearby. A five-story piece of exterior hung precariously from the corner of a building in the World Trade Center complex.

Whenever Brian and I ventured into the neighborhood, we would walk block after block looking for signs of a cleanup. Instead, we discovered destruction and chaos. Heavily damaged buildings dominated Broadway. The battered three-story tenement that used to house our local Burger King now served as a center for police operations.



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The two subway lines closest to our building had imploded and were expected to be out of operation for at least a year. The Financial District had never sported as many retail and service providers as most Manhattan neighborhoods, and now many of those few grocery stores, clothing stores and pharmacies were shuttered. Residents had to venture farther and farther to find essentials.

Missing person flyers and posters fluttered from every wall and fence, while candles and flowers piled up beneath them. Charred and battered bikes had been turned into shrines. Handwritten notes and flyers were taped on every inch of the fence surrounding St. Paul's Chapel.

Many streets remained off-limits, and pedestrians wore white masks to filter out the dust that hung heavy in the air. The area had been home to many schools, from nursery schools through college campuses. All were now closed, and most students had been reassigned to other school locations.

Bulldozers, trucks and cranes moved wreckage from the Ground Zero pile 24 hours a day, kicking up clouds of dust and who knew what else. As the weeks went by, I continued to step out onto our 24th-floor terrace, where the shock of the new view never lessened. The beautiful, awe-inspiring Twin Towers were gone, replaced by a gaping black hole and a pile of rubble.

Before the attacks, my dreams for my future had soared as high as the Twin Towers. But those dreams and my confidence had been destroyed along with those buildings.

For the first time in my life, I couldn't see my way out of the destruction and darkness that surrounded me—both literally and emotionally. Brian and I were both unemployed, living in a neighborhood of destruction and suffering from PTSD. My prayers were shallow and faltering, but I know now that God heard them.

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He sent friends into our lives who helped lift us up. He placed a therapist in my life who helped me understand the trauma I had experienced and find a path out of that dark place. And He sent us to Redeemer Presbyterian Church. I went there initially to seek financial aid; when they handed me a check to help pay for some of our expenses, I felt hope for the first time in weeks.

We returned to Redeemer and discovered a Christian community that took us in and helped us heal. As we grew in our faith and our hope, I began to understand that the worldly success I previously craved is not a sign of God's love or approval. I also came to believe that I could trust Him to walk with me through the darkest of places.

The Sept. 11, 2001, attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C., remain the deadliest acts of terrorism in world history.

Almost 3,000 people died and 6,000 were injured that day, and people are still dying from cancers and other illnesses from exposure to the toxic gases and dust released in those attacks.

As I look back on the last 21 years, I am more aware than ever of how 9/11 changed my life. Although it had been difficult to live among daily reminders of 9/11 in our Financial District neighborhood, it was there where I began to live with the assurance that through faith in Christ, I don't have to fear anything. As the neighborhood slowly revived and restored, I became rebuilt in His image. And that journey brought me to a place of peace when I learned how to sink the foundation of my life deep in the promises of Christ.

When I walked through the valley of the shadow of death on 9/11, God was with me. And He still walks with me through every valley and every mountain peak. He meets me in my brokenness with His strength so that I may offer His strength to others. {eoa}

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