

# Trump and King Cyrus: Shocking Biblical Parallel You Need to Know

The production this season has grown and actor Shahar Isaac, who plays Simon Peter, sees a striking difference this season on the sound stage.

“I think what’s funny about it that everything on the surface is gigantic and bigger and more everything on the surface. The sets are bigger, there’s more people. We were in Utah three weeks with 600 people every day. Everything grows. The spirit and the heart is the same. But yes, of course the sets are huge and there’s a lot of people and the show has grown. But I don’t know. I love that we are still in the same,” Isaac said.

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Paras Patel, who plays Matthew, and Elizabeth Tabish, who plays Mary Magdalene, describe their feelings as the overall series will soon end in a few years.

“I’ve been sad, to be honest, just because we’re just so close and connected and we are a big family here, so I’m not going to lie, I’ve been a bit emotional this season,” Patel told CBN News.

“It’s really mixed feelings. I don’t think I really expected it to happen so quickly. Thought maybe over the course of many years, we’ll get to season seven, but I’ve been so surprised by how quickly it’s grown and that’s allowed us to make the seasons faster. So, it’s just, at first it was this sort of

slow, gradual growth and now it feels like it's sped up and it feels like it's going away," Tabish said.

For Patel and Tabish, portraying the roles of Matthew and Mary Magdalene is personal.

"I've learned, it's actually made me more confident. I've learned a lot about myself, and I give that full credit to the writers, the showrunners, just giving Matthew this kind of personality, body, and depth," Patel said.

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## **2 'Proof of Heaven' Stories and 1 'Proof of Hell' That Had Atheist Calling Out for Jesus**

What happens to our consciousness the moment we die?

Christians believe our souls end up in one of two places: Heaven or Hell, according to the Bible.

For atheists and non-Christians, beliefs about our immediate destination after death are as diverse as the various sects

themselves.

Some people, however, don't need to guess. That's because they've reportedly been to the other side and lived to tell about their serene – or horrifying – experiences.

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Christian journalist Lee Strobel documented many of these cases in his new book "Seeing the Supernatural: Investigating Angels, Demons, Mystical Dreams, Near-Death Encounters, and Other Mysteries of the Unseen World."

Many of the near-death experiences Strobel included appear to defy medical explanation.

For instance, Strobel described the case of Mary, a single mother who died in her hospital bed, according to the U.K.'s Daily Mail.

"Suddenly a tunnel appeared, and she felt herself being pulled toward it," Strobel wrote. "Her spirit passed through a ceiling fan and then through the ceiling."

Mary said at the end of the tunnel she was shrouded with love and light, and that her life played out before her.

"I felt every good or bad deed I had ever done and its consequences upon others," she described. "It was a difficult time for me, but I was supported by unconditional love and weathered the painful parts. I was asked telepathically about whether I wanted to stay or return."

What made Mary's case peculiar, however, was not what she saw

on “the other side,” but what she saw in her hospital room.

“When Mary’s spirit floated out of her body, she noticed a red label on the top side of a blade on the ceiling fan, hidden from view for people in the room. She later described the sticker in great detail,” Strobel wrote.

Another case centered on Maria, a heart attack patient who also died in her hospital bed.

Maria rose from her body, ascending through the ceiling and above the hospital roof.

When she was revived, she told the staff she had seen a shoe on a window ledge of the hospital.

“A man’s shoe, left-footed, dark blue, with a wear mark over the little toe and a shoelace tucked under the heel,” she said.

The staff later found the shoe exactly where and how she had described it.

Such cases are not always so blissful or fascinating, however.

Some have recounted experiences that could only be described as hellish.

Atheist Howard Storm was a professor at Northern Kentucky University when he died of a stomach ulcer.

Following his death, Storm was outside of his body.

“He began following some mysterious but friendly visitors who beckoned him down the hallway,” Strobel wrote. ‘This turned into a trek of miles, with conditions getting darker and darker.’”

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Suddenly, his guides turned on him.

“They began pushing, hitting, pulling, kicking, biting and tearing with their fingernails and hands as they laughed and swore at him. He fought back as best he could, but he was mauled – physically and emotionally – in the struggle,” Strobel wrote.

Storm further described the chilling experience.

“There has never been a horror movie or book that can begin to describe their cruelty. Eventually I was eviscerated. I definitely lost one of my eyes, my ears were gone,” Storm said.

Storm called out, “Jesus, save me!” and a bright light pierced the darkness, and a pair of hands reached for him.

“When they touched me, in that light, I could see me and all the gore. I was roadkill. and that gore began to just dissolve and I came back whole,” Storm said.

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**Miracle: Kansas Trooper  
Rescues Kidnapped 6-Year-Old**

# Girl

A Kansas State Highway Patrol trooper is being hailed as a hero after rescuing a kidnapped 6-year-old girl during a traffic stop in February.

Authorities say the trooper pulled over an SUV for a routine traffic violation when he noticed something suspicious going on inside the vehicle. A front-seat passenger had an active arrest warrant from another state for kidnapping a young girl just over a month earlier.

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“This 6-year-old girl gave the trooper a false name and date of birth, after having been coached to do so, in an attempt to keep the adult out of jail,” the agency said. “Ultimately, our trooper calmed the girl down and got her to tell him her real name.”

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Inside the vehicle, the trooper also saw a 6-year-old girl in the backseat, along with two men in their 60s. The driver had a long criminal history, including a homicide conviction and multiple weapons violations.

With the help of a deputy, the trooper secured the two men and safely removed the child from the vehicle. Initially, the girl gave a false name, as she had been coached by her captors. But the trooper’s persistence helped her reveal her true identity—confirming she was the kidnapping victim authorities had been searching for.

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After spending more than a month on the run with her captor, the girl was found unharmed, and both suspects were taken into custody.

This incredible rescue highlights the vital role law enforcement plays in protecting the innocent and keeping criminals off the streets.

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## **New Media Bill Risks Silencing Christian Broadcasters Through 'Lawfare'**

Florida's Senate Bill 752 is drawing serious concern from Christian broadcasters who fear it could be used to suppress their speech through a flood of legal attacks.

The National Religious Broadcasters issued a strong warning to lawmakers this week, saying the bill has "a very real possibility of weaponizing a wave of 'lawfare' against Christian broadcasters," according to the group's general counsel, Michael Farris.

As reported by Fox News, the bill would change how publishers respond to defamation claims, particularly when it comes to online archives.

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Farris explained that under SB 752, plaintiffs could demand changes to old publications for two reasons: either a court has ruled the content is false, or “the publisher or broadcaster ‘receives notice of facts that would cause a reasonable person to conclude that such statement was false.’” That second part is the concern—Farris says the “reasonable person” standard is “inherently ambiguous in this context and is often a matter of perspective or opinion.”

What does that look like in real life?

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Farris gives a powerful example: “If a transgendered male presents as a female and competes in girls’ sports, and a Christian broadcaster says that a male has been competing in women’s sports,” they could face legal action under this bill. And that’s not just for new content—this could apply to older articles as well. “The claim would be that reasonable people would conclude that transgendered males are in fact females,” and calling them male could be considered “false and defamatory.”

Farris warns this opens the door to a series of legal issues: “This possibility opens up a very real possibility of weaponizing a wave of ‘lawfare’ against Christian broadcasters simply for standing up for what they believe to be true.”

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He closes with a plea to Florida lawmakers: “This legislation should be defeated for now.” While there may be legitimate concerns the bill is trying to address, Farris says they can be resolved “without risking unanticipated harm to

broadcasters and publishers—many of which share your worldview.”

The bill has already passed through the Senate Judiciary Committee with an 8-2 vote. Let’s hope lawmakers take a closer look so this doesn’t turn into a tool for silencing faith-based speech.

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## **Cast of ‘The Chosen’ Reveal Their Biggest Secrets!**

When they’re not walking on water (with the help of a little movie magic, of course), the cast of “The Chosen” as well as series creator and showrunner Dallas Jenkins find all kinds of ways to pass the time – and some of their hobbies are a bit surprising.

Right now, they are all out promoting “The Chosen: Last Supper,” the three-part theatrical debut of the fifth season of the wildly popular series based on the life of Jesus. And on the heels of that release, the team behind the show are prepping to begin filming season six.

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The stars of the Bible-based series celebrated the season-five debut in Dallas, Texas, last week, and CBN News caught up with several of them.

## **Dallas Jenkins (Creator)**

Admittedly, Jenkins is pretty busy writing, directing, producing and promoting “The Chosen,” but, when he has a few free minutes, he has a handful of hobbies that occupy his time—and one of them might be a little unorthodox.

“I love poker, although I haven’t played it in a while,” Jenkins said with a laugh. “I also just love watching TV and movies with my wife and kids.”

Jenkins, a Chicago fan, also said he likes fantasy sports, confessing he sneaks peeks at his phone—trying to keep up with his football and baseball teams—while they are filming “The Chosen.”

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“Even on set sometimes,” he said, “I have to check my lineup [to] make sure I’m making the moves just in time for the next day.”

## **George Xanthis (John)**

George Xanthis, who portrays John in “The Chosen,” is a man of many talents. In fact, he’s apparently able to read his character’s Gospel in its original Greek.

Part one of the fifth season of “The Chosen” – which centers on the final days leading toward Jesus’ crucifixion – is debuting in theaters across the country this Friday. Parts two and three will be released nationwide on Apr. 4 and 11, respectively. For more information or to buy tickets, click [here](#).

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## **Friend of God**

“Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country, And from your relatives And from your father’s house, To the land which I will show you; And I will make you into a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing,” (: 1-2).

The birth of the Jewish race goes all the way back to Abraham—as its father. This is why many Jewish prayers begin by acknowledging the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Abraham, through the election of God, is the beginning of the nation of Israel.

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But what is Israel elected for? Israel was and is chosen by God to be a unique channel of God’s blessing to the whole world.

“And in your (Abraham) seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed,” (Gen. 22:18).

How does this specifically and personally apply to you?

The New Testament tells us that the blessing of Abraham has come upon everyone who puts their faith in Messiah Jesus. Most of you are not Jewish by birth, but you have come into a relationship with the God of Israel, through Yeshua.

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In Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham has come to the Gentiles. (See Galatians 3:14.)

In Isaiah 41:8 the Lord calls Abraham His friend! Through Yeshua, you are also in friendship with God. You share in the blessing of Abraham! You are a friend of the All Mighty! You have been "grafted in," (Rom. 11: 17, 24). In Ephesians 2:13 Paul wrote, "But now in Christ Jesus you who previously were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ."

This should bring you great joy and confidence!

Yeshua said, "No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends," (John 15:15).

I am so thankful that the Lord speaks to me! His Words always "mark" me and continue to guide me. Below are some specific things that Father has spoken to me over the years that I hope will encourage and inspire you.

Ascend The Day!

I Am A Servant

When You Get Strong You Will Be Happy

Rejoice Continually And You Will Overcome Every Obstacle

I Will Walk In Confidence And Courage

Seize My Word And Don't Let Anything Else In

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