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SIGNIFICANT PROPHETIC DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LAST 5-MONTHS POINTING TO THE PRE-TRIBULATION RAPTURE

1) Swift and unprecedented financial changes speeding towards a one-world digital economy to buy & sell	Revelation 13:16-18
2) Swift and unprecedented peace covenants specific to Israel speeding towards prophesied false peace	Daniel 9:27
3) Swift and unprecedented man-made geoengineered weather speeding towards crisis-reaction-solution	Revelation 11:18
4) Swift and unprecedented bioweapons creating fear of an even worse world-wide "so-called" pandemic	Rev. 6, Matt. 24:7
5) Swift and unprecedented deception plunging masses into a strong satanic delusion so they'll buy the lie	2 Thes. 2:9-10
6) Swift and unprecedented advances in AI careening towards transhumanism altering God's human DNA	Daniel 2:42-43
7) Swift and unprecedented alignment of nations geopolitically fulfilling precise prophecy concerning Israel	Ezekiel 38
8) Swift and unprecedented agreements to divide Jerusalem by way of prophesied intoxicating obsession	Zechariah 12:1-3
9) Swift and unprecedented declaration of "peace and security" leading to sudden destruction upon "them"	1 Thessalonians 5:3
10) Swift and unprecedented world-wide wars and threats, (rumors), of wars under the banner of "peace"	Matthew 24:6

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KAPONO: Lord, we thank You. Would you join me as we pray? Lord, we thank You for this time of worship that You have blessed us with, such a beautiful place that we can gather, Lord, praise Your name, and fellowship, one to another, Lord. But most importantly, hear Your word, Lord.

We can't pray enough for our pastors, Lord. Would You please give them strength? Continue to guide and lead them through the power of Your Holy Spirit, Lord. Speak to them and keep them, Lord. And this morning, would You have Your way in our hearts and in our minds that we would be focused and tuned in to You and what it is that You have for us this morning? So we ask this in Your name only, we say, Jesus. Amen.

PASTOR JD: Amen and amen. And good morning and welcome. You can be seated. So glad you're here, especially today. Those of you online, we're glad you're joining us today. I hope you got your electricity restored. That would be a hard no.

If you're wondering why we here at the church had electricity during the ongoing outages, it's because with unanimity, being of one mind and one accord, we decided to install a full backup power system for what we had discerned was coming. And this was clearly and unmistakably the Lord, chiefly birthed from and tethered to Scripture, namely *Proverbs 22, verse 3*, which paraphrased and expanded, says this: The wise and prudent foresee the evil danger ahead, taking careful and prayerful actions, making vigilant and diligent decisions, but the naive and gullible pass it off and go blindly on, suffering preventable consequences and avoidable difficulties. Is that a good answer?

[Congregant says, "Amen."]

Summed up this way: Praise the Lord. It's His church. So we're just stewards of that which He's entrusted us with, which is our profound privilege to be entrusted with. One more thing before we get started. Very excited about this. We want to let you know that the Calvary Kaneohe Children's Ministry will be singing two songs for both services on Resurrection Sunday, which, if you can believe it is like three weeks from today, April 5th. Already. I think I looked at my calendar/clock, and it was still January. Anyway... Enough of my problems.

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They're looking forward to sharing the truth of Jesus Christ and the good news of eternal life based on this verse. You may have noticed a pattern here. We tether decisions to base decisions on the word of God. Call us silly. So this is *Colossians 3:16*. It reads this way. **“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching, and admonishing one another in Psalms and [I love this] and hymns, and spiritual psalms, singing with grace in your hearts unto the Lord.”**

[Congregant says, “Amen.”]

Oh, okay. Well, we'll take that. Yes, I know it's early, but that just — I just want to explode in praise and worship. But I won't. That's Kaponi's job. And you don't want me to, by the way. So this is the first of two Sunday mornings services, as you know, which is devoted to Bible prophecy by way of our weekly Bible Prophecy Updates.

Second Service is the sermon, which is a verse-by-verse study through the word of God. We're currently in the *Gospel of Mark*. It will be livestreamed, for those of you online, the teaching portion; actually, the worship is on our website at 10:45 a.m. Hawaii time. But the teaching will start around 11:15 a.m. Hawaii time. And our text is going to be *Mark, Chapter 1, verses 14 through 20* in a sermon that I have titled in question form, 'Do I Know The Time So I can Be Ready On Time?'

And here's why. Tightly tucked into today's text are principles of paramount importance, all of which have one thing in common, and it's this. It's time. Be ready. Not get ready. Be ready.

Okay. Those of you online that are watching by way of YouTube or — and/or Facebook, we would really encourage you to at this time go to the website or one of the TV channels or apps that we have links to in the description. And they include the Apple Store, Apple App Store, Google Play, Amazon App Store, and Roku TV Channel store, where you can view the entirety of today's Prophecy Update, which will not be viewable in its entirety on YouTube and Facebook. We're probably going to get a strike just for saying that. Let's get to it.

I want to talk with you today about all the voices clamoring and competing for our undivided attention in the distracting of our undivided attention. And this begs the question which is of paramount importance: Who is it or what is it that I'm listening to? Put it another way.

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Am I listening to what the world says, or am I listening to, and more importantly, heeding of what God's word says?

As I was preparing, praying, seeking the Lord concerning today's Update, I just, in a stronger sense, have this prompting that this Prophecy Update needs to be a word fitly spoken for us today. Because if and when I'm listening to and heeding of what God's word says, what I'll find is that what the world has been and is now saying is exactly what prophecy in God's word foretold and is still saying.

In other words, God's word foretold us and forewarned us that this is precisely what the world would be saying and doing at the time of the very end. Why? So we would know that now is the time of the very end. See, I always study, and in my own time in God's word, my devotional time with this presupposition, and it's biblical, and it's actually replete throughout Scripture that God doesn't want me/us to be ignorant concerning Bible prophecy.

I mean, I'm pausing because I don't know that, and I'll include myself in this, that we really fully grasp the enormity and the gravity of that. I mean, let me see if I can flip it around just by way of an illustration. Could you imagine if God were up in the heavens He created and along with them, the earth, and the sea and all that in them is and noticing that JD's starting to figure some things out here. You better get down there and move some of the pieces on the board so he's — because he's getting pretty close.

It's the exact opposite. You better hurry — I'll speak for myself. I'll take one for the team, okay? You better hurry up and get down there because first of all, JD needs all the help he can get. And he's starting to connect some dots prophetically and fill in some blank lines biblically. And you better get those pieces moved, so that he can see more clearly.

See, God will always create an environment in our Christian lives that is conducive to us walking in obedience. He'll never, conversely, create an environment in our life — He can't. It's inconsistent, incompatible with who He is and how He is. It's not that He won't. It's that He cannot. It's an impossibility. God cannot set us up. He cannot tempt us towards evil.

In fact, the opposite is true. He's always orchestrating the circumstances and choreographing the steps of our life so that we're walking in the way that is: this is the way

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— this is good between me and the Holy Spirit. He wants us in His will more than we even ourselves want to be in His well. And when it comes to Bible prophecy, I'm going to start hyperventilating. I have asthma, so I probably shouldn't. But when it comes to Bible prophecy, especially in this day with everything that's happening right now, I think the angels given charge concerning us are doing overtime. It's all hands on deck because, oh, my goodness, there is so much happening so fast, and the world is, I mean, it's on fire. It's crazy fire. I mean, it's insane.

I want to be careful using that word because I've used it in different contexts concerning my own sanity, which I know some of you question... still. I'm good. I'm sound, of sound mind. I think... for now, anyway. But when it comes to the sanity of the Christian, one would do well to avoid the insanity of the world.

So in the interest of time and for the sake of brevity — wow, Pastor, that's a word I haven't heard you use in quite a while, if ever. Brevity? That's in your vocabulary? It is. Is that from the root word "brief"? Yeah. Brevity.

Here's what I did. I handpicked just one Bible prophecy. I'm okay. I'm... you know. What's wrong? Only one? Yeah, but one Bible prophecy for two reasons, the first of which is its specificity, and the second reason, which dovetails into that because of the specificity of this one prophecy.

Now, hear me out on this. It singlehandedly, singlehandedly proves beyond any doubt, not a reasonable doubt, any doubt that we are now, at the time of the very end. I mean, this is it. Pastor, you been saying that every week. I know. And if we're still here, I will say it again next week. But there is coming a day where I will not be saying it because I won't be here to say it. And you better not be here either.

Okay, Pastor, so if this is true and this is the end beyond any doubt, and you've got, you claim, one Bible prophecy that singlehandedly with its specificity, proves it, if that's true, and oh, by the way, it most certainly is, then that would mean that the pre-Tribulation rapture is so very close, and it most definitely is. Look up and lift up your heads, brothers and sisters, for our redemption and draws ever so near. We're out of here.

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Okay, let's — I'll catch my breath. What I'm hoping and praying today's Update accomplishes by the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, because that's the only way, is that all of us, again, myself included always, will mute the world to hear the Word. I used to say it like this. Turn the volume down, you know. But of course, that's — I need to update my technology. You know, we don't use dials anymore. It's buttons now. So you know, you're pushing the button to lower the volume.

No, no. Push the mute button now and turn up the volume, not on the world on the Word. I say this in this way because the world is not just clamoring for, competing with, and distracting from the Word. Worse, it's more often than not contradicting of the word. And here's what's sad. When that happens, what ensues is what always ensues, which is that of this dulling or stopping of the ears of the multitudes who can't or won't hear what the Spirit is saying to us, the church in this the last hour.

The seven letters to the seven physical churches, which are prophetic, all end the same way: Let him who has an ear hear. Well, that's kind of a — wait. Does anybody here not have an ear? Just...

Okay. Here's what I'm thinking. Let me have this one. I have two. I've got two ears and I've only got one mouth. That alone is another topic for another time. Maybe listen twice as much as you speak. But here's the other thing. I can close my mouth. How do I close my ears? I can close my eyes with eyelids. But I don't have earlids. I know it's weird. But just stay with me.

What Jesus is saying in inspiring the Apostle John, by the Holy Spirit, in writing to these seven churches, **“Let Him who has an ear hear,”** He's saying, just because you have an ear doesn't mean you necessarily hear. And I think you know what I'm talking about. And I'll just, again, take one for the team and just speak for myself.

Growing up as a kid — I'm not going to use the marriage illustration, especially now because she'll mess up my mansion up there if I do. So I'm really careful about these things because word will get to her. She doesn't see, but I know that somebody will tell her, “Hey, you know what your husband did? Said?” “Yeah. Okay. I got it. I'm on it.”

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So anyway, I'm very careful about that now. And I also was when she was still here with us before she went home to be with the Lord. She would sit in the back, and that's why I would never look that direction because, you know, the body language, you know, was this, and you know... so... or this....or.... so....

Anyway, so I'll use a childhood example. My mom, she had — she was a — actually had a very good singing voice, soprano. And she had her native language, which of course, was Arabic, her second language, English. And she spoke English with a very thick accent. And whenever I was in trouble, which was all the time, she would with that thick, high-pitched soprano voice with an accent, say, Wahido! (High-pitched “mom” voice) And as soon as she hit that note, I didn't hear anything else. All I heard was (Arabic yelling)

I hope this is going to work as an illustration for what I'm trying to communicate here by the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit. Our ears, the ear gate, you know, we err greatly when it comes to what we hear because that's how faith comes, by what we hear. And there's a qualifier because whatever we hear will begin to put our faith in. So the qualifier is it's not just what you hear, it's that you hear the word of God.

I know this might sound overly dramatic. I pray it doesn't. But listening to the still, small voice, *1 Kings 19*, of the Spirit of God, vis-à-vis the word of God isn't just a matter of life and death. It's a matter of eternal life and death specific to our destiny, whether we're in heaven or in hell for all eternity. And that's the truth.

Would you kindly indulge me? I want to — I need to, I believe, expound on this *1 Kings 19* Elijah account — I'm sure most are familiar with — when he's running, after God doesn't do what he expected God to do and just kill Ahab and Jezebel, after he had just been so victorious there in that contest with the prophets of Baal, calling fire down to consume the sacrifice, at which time he slew to 450 prophets of Baal.

Of course, this aroused the ire of one Jezebel, who put a hit on his life, a contract out on his life. And so what do we find Elijah doing? Running for his life. Wait a minute. Is this the same Elijah? Yeah. Fearlessly, unflinchingly calling fire down from heaven. James, of Elijah, writes that we're just like him, by the way. We tend to, you know, put these guys — oh, well that's Elijah we're talking about. Well, wait a minute. Not so fast.

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He's just like you. He puts his — well, his robe or pants, or whatever you want to say, on just the same way you do. He was just a man like you, yet he prayed that it wouldn't rain for three years. And guess what? It didn't rain for three years. I think we need an Elijah today by the way. Just needed to say that.

So here is Elijah, right? I mean, I'm just going to say this. I think he was a pyro — what do they call those fire guys? They're a para maniac? Pyromaniac. Yeah, they have an obsession with fire, you know, calling fire down. He's — by the way, he doesn't know it yet, but he's going to be taken up, raptured up to heaven in a chariot of fire. I think he was a pyromaniac or whatever. And I just...

Anyway, enough of that. That's just my own personal opinion. And you know what opinions are like? They're like armpits. Everybody's got a couple of them. And they sometimes don't smell very good. So but it would just be like God to do what God did. This is Elijah we're talking about here. Everything's dramatic. Everything is big, fire, earthquake wind, hurricane-force winds. Where's Elijah when you need him?

I mean, and so here he's hiding in the cave, running from God. And of course, you can't do that. Ask Jonah about that. God seeks him out, finds him, but not before a mighty earthquake. So mighty this earthquake, the rocks are coming off the mountain like the... anyway.

And then a mighty hurricane-force wind, I believe, even stronger. And then a great fire. I mean, you got to have fire. This is Elijah. We got to humor him, indulge him. But the Lord was in none of those, as Elijah and you and I would expect. Instead He's in the quiet — Sit still. You've muted the world — whisper of the Holy Spirit.

See, God's not going to raise His voice and compete we've got the volume turned up on the world and we're listening to every word that is said by the world. No, He's in the still.

Remember, as a kid in class? I heard this all the time, more times than I care to admit. I deserve it. I'm sure. I was a kinesthetic. Is that the word?

Boy, I'm on a roll today, aren't I, with the — the expansion of my vocabulary. Kinesthetic. You know, got to always be moving. You know, tactile is touching, and auditory is hearing, and visual is seeing. And you know, analytical is — boy, everybody had one of them in the

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class, right? They're the pencil, the paper. You know, kids that, you know — and that was kind of like, okay, sit still. Sit there and sit still and be quiet.

[Laughter]

All I can think about — I can't hear anything else now because all I can hear is “I can't move. I can't say anything. I can't do anything. I got to be still and know that He is God,” *Psalm 46:10*. Let me keep this moving.

We have to be still and be quiet, knowing He is God as He refines us, watch this, and fine tunes us to the tuning fork of the Holy Spirit, so that were in tune and on key with what He's saying to us. Because you see, as His sheep, I'm going to even say sheeple. Oh, you're just like all the sheeple. Thank you. Praise the Lord. I'm the sheep of His pasture, and He's the shepherd. He's the Good Shepherd.

And, you know, interesting, and some of you know this, that sheep know and recognize the tune and the tone of the voice of their shepherd. You bring in a substitute? They don't respond. Why? Because their ears haven't been tuned in tune, fine-tuned, refined to the voice. Oh, I recognize that voice.

You know, I — when I'm out and about, sometimes people will recognize me by my voice. And — because they'll have heard me on the radio or something. And they'll say, “Are you Pastor JD?”

To which I always respond nowadays with “Well, it depends. If it's good? Yes. If it's not, that's my evil twin.”

“Oh, wow!”

And I always hear this. “I had this picture. I had never seen your face, but I've always heard your voice. And I never would have put that face.”

I'm like, “Thank you. I think. I don't know.”

But so I finally stole this from somebody, and it's worked well for me, so I'm sticking with it. I have a face for radio. Because they had this image, which when they told me what they thought I looked like in just hearing my voice, I was like, just keep that image in your mind and forget you ever saw this mug because that one's way better than this one is.

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Pastor, where are you going with this, and/or are you going somewhere with this? Oh, I shouldn't have shown you the list. Wait. Go. Back up. Rewind. I'm sorry. I was.... Well, at least you know ahead of time what's coming. Isn't it true? I want you to think this through with me. That when the Holy Spirit of God speaks distinctly in the language or voice from the word of God, you know it? That's why. You know it. I'm familiar with that voice. I know that voice. I hear that voice. Okay.

Now, since I already ruined it here, here goes. And this is where I'm going with this. I'm going to start with the list. This was from back on February 15th, which was intended to be an aerial view of the ten — there's more — ten significant prophetic developments over the last five-plus months now. And all of these swift and unprecedented prophetic developments point to the nearness of the ever-so-close pre-Tribulation rapture, all ten of them.

But from the ten, I've highlighted, number 4, number 9, and number 10. First, we're going to zoom in on number 9 and number 10, which kind of go together. Then we'll end by zooming in on number 4 again, and this by virtue of these stunning, and I mean stunning beginning of the fulfilling of this particular prophecy. So let's start. You mean you haven't even started yet? Yeah, that was the introduction. So let's start one prophecy with such specificity that it singlehandedly settles it.

1 Thessalonians 5:3. You know it. We talk about it all the time. This particular prophecy with such specificity is exactly what God's word has been saying that the world would be saying and now more than ever before is, in fact, saying. Can I read it? Expound on it? Am I pushing it? Okay.

1 Thessalonians 5:3. **“While people are saying...”**

Translated: When, at the time, while the world is saying. What are they saying? Two specific words in this order. Notice. “Peace and security.” Now I want to draw your attention to the original word in the Greek New Testament for “security” is the Greek word *asfáleia*, which can be translated “security,” “safety,” “stability,” and/or “certainty,” depending on the context.

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So right out of the chute, the Apostle Paul, by the Holy Spirit, is giving us a marker, a sign of a time when the world will be saying these two specific words, **“peace and security,”** **“...destruction will come,”** *[And it will come on them suddenly]* **sudden destruction** *[And then he takes it further]* **as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they** *[Notice the “they.”* *We need to come back to the “they.”]* **they will not escape.”**

It's important to note that the Apostle Paul, by the Holy Spirit, is echoing the Savior, using the analogy of a woman's labor pains. And it's important because in *Matthew 24, verses 4 through 8*, Jesus lists, after being asked about the signs of the time, of the end of the age, and His return.

So He lists, in answering that question, the signs pointing to the end, then He likens those signs on that list — see, even Jesus — I just want to be like Jesus. Jesus has a list too. He likens those signs on that list to a woman's labor pains.

What's your point, Pastor? My point is this. Any time a prophecy is likened to labor pains, it punctuates and communicates that the signs prophetically will come in shorter frequency and greater intensity just as a woman in labor.

I know I've used this example before. It's silly, but you get the point at least. Could you imagine a delivery room, woman in labor? She's already at a ten. This is too much information for guys, I know, but she's dilated at a ten. And here's the physician, the doctor. And he says, “You know what? Can you just hold off? I've got a very important staff meeting, and I'll be right back. Just hold on.” No. Baby, that baby coming. You ain't stopping it, because you see, the frequency of the labor pains are shorter in frequency and greater in intensity.

I was there all four times when our four children were born. And, man, I tell you, it was very painful for me. (Chuckling) I probably shouldn't use these illustrations, or if I do, I should be more careful. But boy, man, I mean, we — I should say she — did not take an epidural on three of the four births. The only one she took an epidural for was for Noelle because she was actually required to because we had a 50/50 chance that she would even survive the birth.

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So... but all the others, she — man, I tell you; I have a newfound respect for women's threshold for pain in labor. And that's to say nothing about just watching the miraculous. Only God can do that birth of your child. No words. But I did have some words, and I heard some words prior to it. More like screams, moans. Aaaaaaaaah! (Screaming) And she held my hand so tight.

One time — I think it was Elias actually, our first born. So tight, she cut off the blood circulation, and I was like, “Honey,” you know, because I'm trying to do the whole (breathing) breathe, you know — we were taught in a Lamaze classes, you know? Come on, you can do it! Big G, little O, go, go! No?

Now I take that and I superimpose it on to the Bible prophecy. And here's what I conclude. The world right now. Aaaaaaaaah! (Screaming) If I blew out your speakers online, just send us the invoice; we'll replace them.

Paul even makes mention of this. The whole creation moans and groans. I think it would be fair to say — I don't think this is a stretch. No pun intended. We're at ten We're at ten. It's for this reason that we should stand to attention and pay very close attention to what God's word is saying about what the world will be saying at the time of the end, so that we're not ignorant about the time of the end.

Okay. We got two words here. This is pretty specific. This isn't like a prophecy like, well, there's going to be a storm. Oh, come on. How about some details? Because of course there's going to be a storm. But you haven't specified anything. You've given yourself an out. No, this is pretty specific. So specific that we're told that there are going to be two words that the world is going to be saying: peace and security, peace and safety, peace and stability.

And we're even told that it will be like a woman's labor pains. And instead of ending in the glorious and wondrous birth of the child, which Jesus even speaks of, that the woman forgets the pains when she's holding her baby. Well, that ain't — how's this going to end for them? Because this doesn't end that way. It ends this way: with sudden destruction coming upon them.

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So suddenly — that's not repetitive or redundant. The redundant redundancy department. It's going to be so sudden that they cannot, even if they could, and will not escape. They will not escape. We will.

Are you — are you? Are you? I just got to make sure that you're still here. You didn't tune me out yet? Did you hear what I just said? They will not escape. But we who are alive and remain will escape when we're raptured up. That's why the Rapture has been affectionately referred to — the pre-Tribulation rapture — as “the great escape.”

You ever had a well-intentioned Christian — that's putting it nicely — say to you something along the lines of, “Well, you just want to escape.”

I'm like, “You don't? You want to be here?”

Like my wife used to say — I know it's a local thing — See ya! Wouldn't want to be ya! And I say that in love.

Jesus, even himself, in *Matthew 24* says that the Tribulation period will be like nothing that has ever been seen before, nor will ever be seen again. Yeah, I'd like an escape hatch. I got one.

Okay. So we have a question here before us, and it's the question of whether or not the world is now saying, “peace and security” with shorter frequency and greater intensity. And the answer is — you'll forgive me for being snarky — “you think?” I'll go quick.

Two quotes from just two weeks ago, February 28, by the UN Secretary General Antonio Gutierrez, at the Security Council meeting on the situation in the Middle East. Quote, “*I condemn today's military escalation in the Middle East. The use of force by the United States and Israel against Iran, and the subsequent retaliation by Iran across the region, undermines international peace and security.*”

Wait! Ha! Did they — whoo! Wait. Stop. Stop. Stop. Did you — what did you say? Did you just — did you really just say that? Because about 2000 years ago, Paul, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, said you would say that. Am I yelling? I'm sorry. I'm not upset. I'm just — I happen to be passionate about this kind of stuff, you know. I actually — you'll forgive me. I actually believe with all of my heart in this. That's why I am so excited and

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passionate. So please don't mistake passion for anger. No, this is — it's a custom in my country. And the Arab people are a passionate people. The Italians, you know, we speak with our hands.

I'm still quoting. *“I reiterate that there is no viable alternative to the peaceful settlement of international disputes in full accordance with international law, including the U.N. Charter. The charter provides the foundation for the maintenance of international peace and security.”*

I know that I'm not everybody's cup of tea when it comes to my over-emphasis of this, but that's okay. I don't take it personally. I only add the emphasis, emphasis added, so that you'll see what I see and hear what I hear. Because what I am seeing and what I'm hearing is exactly what God's word told me I would be seeing and be hearing. This is probably as good of a time as any to thank all of those who email our office both locally and online as well through our website, all of this updated information and also the “But God” testimonies. I mean, you have no idea how huge of a help it is to me personally and how edifying it is to the body of Christ broadly.

So pictured here is one of those documents that we received, and this is from Philip Perry, who emailed us writing — and I kind of got a kick out of this. “Dear Pastor JD Farag, I thought you would like to see what the so-called Palestinians have drawn up as their constitution. Then again maybe not!” No, I want to see it. I don't only want to see it, as you can tell, I want to read it, and I want to quote it.

It's a 53-page PDF file titled, quote, *“Draft of the Temporary Constitution of the State of Palestine Presented to His Excellency the President of the State of Palestine Mahmoud Abbas, 'Abu Mazen.”*

That's Arabic and my culture, my people. Abu, father. Mazen, the first-born son. So they include that. Why? Because culturally, it is honorable to call someone by the name of their first-born son. It rises to the level of being as honorable as referring to him as “His Excellency the President.” Abu Mazen, father of Mazen, Abu Elias, my first-born son. Father of Elias.

Okay. Here's the subtitle. *“Constitution Drafting Committee - February 2026.”*

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I have to keep reminding myself not what time it is, what month it is. Everything's kind of been a blur. It's March, right? March 15th today. Okay. This was February 2026. So wouldn't that make it like a few weeks ago? Okay. I know it's still early. Probably. Maybe. That's okay.

Here's an excerpt from page 14, under "Article 16 - [The] *International law, UN Charter:*" [Quote] "*The State of Palestine respects international law and the UN Charter and works for international [Thank you.] peace and security based on [I knew you would say that.] [How did I know?] (Showing the Bible) [Because God's word says that's what you would say.] [That's how I know what you're going to say.] peace and security based on justice and human rights, and cooperation in protecting the environment [Boy, they had to get that in there.] [Of course they did.] [That's all part of the...] and global justice between the regional and international communities."*

Here's a quote from the U.S. Representative to the United Nations, Ambassador Mike Waltz on February 28th. So what's that? By the way, February 28th was the same exact day that the aforementioned U.N. Secretary General Antonio Gutierrez, addressed the Emergency Security Council session on the situation in the Middle East specific to Iran. So what, three weeks ago, right?

Listen to this quick quote from his address titled "*Emergency UN Security Council Briefing on Iran,*" [Quote] "*These measures, again, adopted under Chapter VII, represented the world's [Wait. Listen. This is what the world's saying.] the world's collective judgment [No, thank you.] that Iran's actions posed a threat to [A threat to] international peace and security."*

Here's what's ironic. Irony of ironies. While some are saying this poses a threat to peace and security, there's no shortage of those saying it isn't threatening of peace and security, rather, it's bringing about peace and security.

This is a post from just last Monday, March 9th. It's a quote from the Interior Secretary Doug Burgum who said that the administration's policy toward Iran will [Listen very carefully.] "*bring lower prices, world peace, and economic stability for decades to come."*

Peace and stability. Peace and safety. Peace and security. Well, wait a minute. So they're saying this threatens peace and security. You're saying it actually is bringing about peace

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and security, Which is it? You guys have no clue what you're saying. So you know what? I don't think you even know what you're saying. So I'm going to go to the one who does know what He's saying. The God of the Word in the word of God. Are we good? All right. Thank you.

It seems that this isn't only bringing about peace and security instead of posing a threat to peace and security, but it's also justifiable and even critical for peace and security. This was six days earlier on Tuesday, March 3rd. That was 13 days ago as of today. Are you noticing the shorter frequency, greater intensity? By the way — well, I don't have time. Don't you hate it when I do that? I hate it when I do that. Oh! Oh, I can't tell you. What!!? I can't. Sorry. Man, if you only knew what's really going on behind the curtain. Ho! You wouldn't buy a green bananas. I'll tell you that right now.

Okay. Let's try to bring it in. The fact of the matter is it really doesn't matter so much what the world says. The only thing that matters is what God's word says. And if we're still and quiet enough to hear what God's word is saying, here's what we'll find. And I mentioned it earlier. It's exactly the same thing that the world is now saying. Let me rephrase that this way. God's word is saying — oh, what's this? I didn't even notice this. Okay. Oh, it's not scripture. I'm not surprised by that. It's something in my Bible somebody put. Okay. I mean, I'm back now. Hi!

I'm rephrasing this because this is important. Please don't miss this. Please. God's word is saying exactly what the world is saying now that it is the time of the end. So if you were to ask somebody, “How will you know that this is it, this is the end?”

“Because at the end, they will say 'peace and security.' ”

Oh, my goodness. They're saying it. And it seems to be in shorter frequency and greater intensity. I know. So what does that mean? I'm saying this of myself: Duh! It's the end. Sudden destruction is coming down upon them. But as it's coming down on them, going up are we. Did that come out right? That's why I should rely on my notes and stick to them.

I need to quickly deal with number 4 on the list. But in order to do that, by rightly dividing of God's word and correctly teaching from God's word and freely expounding on God's word,

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we're going to have to end the livestream at this time. And hopefully, you're on the website or one of the apps or TV stations by now.

Okay. I'm going to begin with this Hawaii House Bill 2236, which is a companion bill with Senate House Bill 2151, both of which are quickly passing reviews and rapidly advancing into law like a hot knife through butter. Is that a good picture?

Here's a quote from House Bill 2236 under the heading, *"Additional powers in an emergency period."* [Quote] *"...In the event of a state of emergency declared by the governor ...the governor may exercise the following additional powers ...Provide for and require the quarantine or segregation of persons who are affected with or believed to have been exposed to any infectious, communicable, or other disease that is, in the governor's opinion, dangerous to the public health and [Asfáleia] safety."*

[Still quoting.] *...in any case, where in the governor's opinion, the existing laws are not adequate to assure the public health and [Asfáleia] safety or provide for the care and treatment of the persons, the governor can exercise [Wait for it.] [Here it comes.] compulsory immunization programs; [Meaning mandated vaccines.] [It gets worse.] provide for the isolation or closing of property that is a source of contamination or is in a dangerous condition in any case where, in the governor's opinion, the existing laws are not adequate to assure the public health [Asfáleia] safety, [Still quoting.] ...if need be, the property will be destroyed by any police officer or authorized person, ...at the expense of the owner, ...which shall be applicable; and further, authorize without the permission of the owners or occupants, entry on private premises for any of these purposes."*

Wow! Wow! Do you know about this? Aloha. Now, this connects and intersects with what I'll call the simultaneous, even synonymous, actually and factually insidious, cross-linked Senate Bill 2151, which you'll be glad to know I don't need to quote because its verbiage is virtually verbatim to House Bill 2236.

But I would really encourage you, especially the locals here on the islands, to access and read these bills, which will become law, and we'll have links to them on our website. I'm going to just kind of give you a quick heads up, so that you're not blindsided or floored because if you read through them, as I did, here's what you'll find. It predicates this

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unprecedented power on the “*supposed*” lessons learned from Covid-19 by effectively, unilaterally, and arbitrarily expanding the Governor’s legal rights to not only “*Authorize quarantine*” but also includes the following: “*Seize firearms,*” “*Enter private property,*” “*Seize private property,*” “*Shut off utilities,*” [They just did. Oh.] “*Suspend laws,*” “*Control distribution of goods,*” “*Control performing of services,*” “*Regulate businesses,*” “*Restrict businesses,*” “*Prohibit businesses,*” [Basically shut down businesses.] [And churches] “*Impose rationing*” and [Last but certainly not least] “*deploy large-scale vaccinations.*”

That's a quote, actually. Okay. Again, the fact of the matter is it doesn't really matter what the world is saying. The only thing that really matters is what God's word has already been saying, which is summed up in one word: rapture. Bible prophecy makes it very clear in no uncertain terms that the rapture has to happen before the seven-year Tribulation can happen.

And that's why I get up here every week, still, and I yell and I scream and I cry and I spit. If there was ever a time-driven urgency to get Jesus to people and people to Jesus, that time is right now. Now! How? By way of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is the good news of salvation and eternal life, paid for in full by Jesus Christ.

Give me two minutes; don't time me. Just give me two minutes Because I want to explain just how childlike simple the Gospel really is. I think it's been made very complicated. And I want to, in so doing, also explain how simple it is to know for a certainty that you are saved, so there's no question mark And this, vis-à-vis the ABCs of Salvation, which we do every week and have for years and will continue to. It's not a magic formula. It's not a, you know — you know, the only way. It's just a way, a simple way to equip you should God ever bring to you somebody that needs Jesus. Imagine.

The A is the obstacle. The B is central and essential, and the C is evidential. That will make more sense in a moment. What's the A? It's for admit or acknowledge I'm a sinner, and as such, I'm in need of the Savior Not a savior. The Savior. And this is the obstacle. Why? Because the average person will say something along the lines of, “Well, I'm a good person, I have a good heart. I haven't murdered anybody.”

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Okay. That's fine. You might be a good person, have a good heart. Never murdered. I'm glad to know that one. But you'll never, ever, ever be good enough. And *Romans 3:10* tells us why. **“There is no one good”** or righteous. And then here's the double. I know that the scholars, of which I am not, have a term for this, and I can't recall it. A double negative, or a double whatever. But it: **“There is no one good [Or righteous], not even one.”**

It's like when Paul, writing to the *Philippians* in *Chapter 4* about, **“Do not worry.”** It's a double emphasis. Do not worry. Do not worry about a single thing. In other words, it's — I guess you would say doubled down. There's no one good or righteous. Not even one.

And *Romans 3:23* tells us why. It's because **“All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”**

Okay, wait a minute. So If this is true, and it absolutely is, then wouldn't it stand to reason that there would be a penalty for my sin? And there most certainly is. And it's found in *Romans 6:23*. Spoiler alert, it's the death penalty. **“For the wages of sin is death.”** This is the bad news that can overcome the A obstacle with the good news that **“The gift of God is eternal life in Christ, Jesus, our Lord.”**

And that's where the B comes in as central and essential, which is to believe in your heart that Jesus Christ is Lord. I cannot overstate the importance of how central and essential and even crucial this is.

Enter *Romans 10:9* And with that, arguably the most well-known verse in all the Bible, whether Christian or not, *John 3:16*. Come on. **“For God so loved the world, that He gave us** (mumbling the verse). Not so fast. **“Whosoever would believe.”** You mean, that's all I got to do? Just believe? Yeah, that's *Romans 10:9*. **“If you believe in your heart that God has raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved.”**

No, come on. There's no such thing as a free lunch. Well, I don't know about lunch, but I do know this about salvation. You notice I never call it a free gift. That's from the redundant redundancy department. Because if it's a gift, it's free. You didn't pay for it. If you paid for it or reimbursed somebody for it, it's no longer a gift. It's a reimbursement.

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Okay, I better not do that, especially....okay. Now, do you see a problem here? People will say, and doubtless you've heard them say, "I believe in God. I believe in Jesus."

And then Satan wants everything to just be dropped right there. And right then. But God rushes in, bringing to your remembrance in that hour that you are to speak it verses like *James 2:19* that says, "**Even the demons believe and tremble.**"

We're not trying to do a gotcha thing here. We're not trying to get. We're trying to win, introduce people to Jesus Christ. We don't lead them. The Holy Spirit does that. We just introduce them. We make the introduction.

So if the demons believe, I guess there's no atheists' demons. Okay, good. I get — that one worked. Okay, I'm going to use that again. So if the demons believe and tremble, that means that's not what "belief" means. So if that's what they believe doesn't mean, then what is it that believe does mean? I've shortened this. Take heart. Because I'm already looking at your body language. Your heart is sinking.

And we're going to, by the way, Second Service, do even deeper dive into this in the book of — the *Gospel of Mark*. To believe means that you change your mind, which is the Greek word *Metanoia*, translated into English as the word "repentance," which I'm sorry to say most Christians today don't know what repentance means. They think it's penance. I need to repent. You need to make penance.

No, to repent and believe, which we're going to see in the *Gospel of Mark*, Second Service, is turning to Jesus, trusting in, and believing that Jesus replaced my filthy, sinful, self-righteousness with the imputed, perfect righteousness of Jesus as the only way by Jesus, who is the only way to the Father. He is The way. Not a way. THE way. THE ONLY way. THE truth. And THE life. And here, you've got this gift of eternal life that is at the ready for you to receive and open and enjoy for all eternity. What is your problem?

[Laughter]

Don't do that. Are we good? Don't do what I say. (Struggling to find the word.) Never mind. It's already busted. So okay. Let's wrap it up. We're almost done. There's hope.

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Once the A obstacle is overcome, leading to the central and essential B, what's the result going to be? C. Confess. Call upon the name of the Lord. And here is how we can get there and get someone else there. Jesus said in both *Matthew 12:34* and *Luke 6:45*, **“Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks.”** The Proverbs echo this. **“Guard your heart, for out of it flows the issues of life.”**

In other words, you want to know what's in somebody's heart. Listen to what coming out of their mouth. Oh, if Jesus is in my heart, the love of Jesus, the fruit of the Spirit is in my heart, then what's going to come out of my mouth? Jesus. Love.

Let's reverse that. If there's bitterness in my heart, what's going to come out of my mouth? Bitterness, if there's anger in my heart, is going to come out of my mouth? Are you with me? You following me here? So this is the result. You'll know the fruit. You'll know the root by the fruit. Jesus said, **“A good tree does not bear bad fruit, and a bad tree does not bear good fruit.”** How do you know what's at the root? Look at the fruit. What's the root? In the heart. What's the fruit? What comes out of the mouth.

Romans 10:9 also says, **“If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord' and believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved.”** And lastly, *Romans 10:13*; you should all know this, have this memorized, know it in several different foreign languages by now. But it's so simple, too simple maybe. **“All who call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

I implore anyone who might be here today or watching online who maybe didn't understand this, never heard it explained as simple, simply as this, maybe you've had questions about this. You're not sure if you're born again.

Listen, I know this is — I hope this isn't — I'm gonna rephrase. I hope this isn't an oversimplification, but I just take everything back to the physical when there's a spiritual metaphor used. Jesus said, **“You can't enter the kingdom of heaven unless you've been born again.”**

And even in John's gospel, Nicodemus asks: Well, how — I can't go back in my mom's womb and be born a second time. What are you talking about? No, no, no, no, no. It's a spiritual rebirth. You're born the first time physically. You're born the second time, born again

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spiritually. Okay, let's — let's work this just a little bit because this is going to be important, because I know there are some, maybe many, who wonder if they're born again, or if someone they love is born again. I don't know. I don't know. I'm not sure.

Okay. When our children were born, there was no question about the fact that they had been born. You know why? Because they craved mother's milk. And when they teethed, which was horrible, by the way, they started craving meat. You see where I'm going with this idea? If you're born again — it reminds me of that Sunday school song — I'm having a flashback. Let me have it.

If you're saved and you know it, then your life will surely show it. I mean, if you're born again and you have no craving or desires for the things of God, the word of God, the people of God, then you should rightfully question whether or not you've truly been born again.

Now, I realize that some of us, you know, yeah, you hear testimonies from people about how they came to Christ. And you're going, oh, man, that's even better than mine. You know, you were like a murderer. You did murder people. And you know, I didn't do that. I mean, I came pretty; and probably shouldn't admit that.

But listen; it doesn't have to be this dramatic, man, I was a drug dealer. I was incarcerated at a maximum-security prison I found Jesus. Actually, He found me. Whoa! Okay, well, we'll just go with your testimony, man, because that's way better than mine. Listen, you don't have to have a testimony like that. I know people that are in love with the Lord, on fire for the Lord, born again of the Spirit of the Lord that just we're born again. And thankfully — and by the way, you should be thanking God if you're one of them, that you didn't have to go through the incarceration and the drug dealing, you know, drug lord, you know, gang leader thing. No, you just came to Christ. Praise the Lord. You don't have the scars that some of us do. So let me tie it up this way and let me close the file.

Question mark: Am I truly born again? Is that loved one truly born again? Here's how you know. Look at the fruit. “By their fruits, you shall know them.” Is there a desire, a craving for the word of God, the things of God? Because, I mean, when our children were born physically, there was no question mark. And there was also no sleeping because there was always nursing.

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When I came to Christ, it was over 44 years ago now. I didn't have a Bible. I found a King James Bible, and I couldn't understand it because I had destroyed too many brain cells. So I went out and bought the Good News Bible. Remember that? It's now the Living Bible, living translation. And even that was a challenge for me, you know, limited vocabulary, you know. I couldn't put it down. I couldn't put it down. I couldn't stop reading it. I read it for the time from Genesis to Revelation in six months, and that was a — that was a miracle in and of itself. And there was no question mark.

So I'm just going to say it, lastly, if that's a question mark for you or someone you love, please, I implore you, just look at the fruit, because it may very well be that they're not truly born again or they're backslid. And you need to discern that because the way you respond to that is very differently.

Okay. Short “But God” testimony for those of you looking at your watches, like me. You know, this is one that I've actually been sitting on for a while. But I inquired of the Lord, and I sort of sensed that I got the green light to share it today. It's short in length but not in strength, as you'll see. It comes from Ann Marie Clark, who lives in Peterborough, New Hampshire.

She writes, “Hi, JD! I need to get this off my chest, so please, let me have this one. *[Smiley emoji.] [Been listening to me too long.] [She's going to say how long in a minute.]* You are my pastor. Period. *[All in caps]* Please know that after many years of praying for discernment, truth and Biblical guidance, the Lord sent me to YOU. *[All in caps] [I don't know how to take that.]* I was, admittedly, “questioning” *[Quotation marks]* His decision at first. *[Parentheses]* An Arab? Huh? A decade later *[Ten years] [Pray for her.]* there is no question in my mind. *[And this might be a word for somebody here today or, again, watching online.]* He will never, ever let go of my hand.”

I'm not holding on to His hand. He's holding on to my hand. When my baby girl was a baby, a little girl, she wasn't holding on to my hand. I was holding on to her hand tightly, cutting off the blood circulation, like my wife did in the delivery room. That's what God does. You might feel like things are just out of control in your life right now. Nothing makes sense. God has promised He will never leave you or forsake you or let go of your hand. Ever.

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So she ends this way. "So keep on preaching the Way, the Truth, and the Life, JD. Be strong. Be steadfast. *[Yes, ma'am.]* It ain't no so-called walk in the park. But God. *[Dot, dot, dot.]* Thank you for keeping us informed and updating us going forward. God bless you, JD. Ann Marie Clark."

Ann Marie, He already has. And oh, by the way, I don't have permission to walk away from THE way, THE truth, and THE life. As far as being strong and being steadfast, it's in the power of His might, by His grace, and His power, the power of the Holy Spirit. Maybe that's you today.

Okay, I'm done. That was it. I didn't go into Second Service. Kapono, come on up. Stand up; we'll close in prayer and song. Thank you for your patience with me again, as always.

Lord, I know that I can, with absolute confidence, trust in Your word and what You say about Your word, that it won't return void. That's Your word. My words? Please let them fall the ground and return void.

But as just the instrument in Your hands, Your bondsman, Your servant, Your messenger, will You take what I've just spoken today to the next level, as only You can, Lord? I can't. I've done my best. And now I can trust You with the rest, to take this powerful, prophetic word in Your word and use it to open up people's eyes, man.

Open up people's ears. Open up people's hearts. Please, Jesus. Please. Those who don't know You, of which there are many, because that road is wide and many go thereof, we want to snatch as many out of that fire as we possibly can and take as many with us to glory as we possibly can. So Lord, please use us, choose us, the foolish, the weak to confound the wise and shame the strong. And use this. In Jesus' name. Amen.