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### What if Rapture is 20 Years Away?

With all the signs pointing to the soon return of our Lord, it's certainly a comforting thought to know that this whole mess (economy, politics, lack of propriety, etc.) will be over in the "twinkling of an eye"-and that it could happen at any moment. In a split second, Believers will be whisked away from their problems into heavenly bliss, while the world is left with seven years of unimaginable hell to endure before the Lord returns to save mankind from Satan's wrath. And no doubt most of us, consciously or unconsciously, are hoping that this prophesied escape will happen soon! Come quickly Lord! It would be quite the privilege to be in that special group who "transitions" to heaven without first dying physically.

But what if the Lord doesn't come soon? What if the Rapture is five years away? Or ten? Or, for heavens sake, what if those pesky verses about a 2000

year long Church Age—roughly 30 AD to 2030 AD—are true? Not a comforting thought as the only thing that seems to be happening in the "twinkling of an eye" at the moment, is the dismantling of America. So what's the next 20 years or so going to be like here in the United States if God's timetable for the removal of His Holy Spirit is decades away?

In a worse case scenario (although many believe inevitable), what if our nation's financial "recovery" is not a real recovery at all, but instead a "dead cat bounce," manipulated by an unseen hand? There are hundreds of banks in trouble that could fail this year. Commercial real estate is on the verge of collapse and many expect that shoe to drop this year too. And realize that in 1929 and following years of depression, there were no credit cards and home mortgages were rare. We are in far worse shape financially than in 1929. If

Rapture doesn't happen soon, we could be looking at quite a lengthy "economic slowdown" (i.e. recession/depression).

It is amazing that only 50 years ago, America was the wealthiest nation on earth. Today it's the largest debtor nation on earth. We simply built false prosperity by going into debt. Today America borrows 1.5 billion dollars a day to pay its bills! We're not up against flesh and blood (Eph 6:12), rather, we've been snookered by Satan. He hood-winked us, the most influential Christian nation in the world, into overspending through easy credit. Now we are speeding down a 20 trillion dollar debt road that appears destined for disaster.

If America continues down this path—trying to solve the debt problem by borrowing more money and issuing more debt—our dollar, as we have known it, will eventually become pretty much worthless. When stocks and houses drop in value, that's bad. But when our money fails, that's a disaster.

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### **EELING THE M**

Nothing like hundreds of Believers from all over the United States gathering to hear top Bible teachers hammer away on tough topics! Wow! It's late in the game and this is awesome info you need to armor up for service in these opportune times. Use us, Lord!

### **STEEL your mind with** Biblical truth! Proverbs 27:17



### **NEW FROM STEELING COEUR D'ALENE!!**

### Rome, the Pope and the One-World Church

The Bible says there is a one-world government AND a one-world church in the not-too-distant future. Who controls this "religion?" And to what purpose? Learn this and boat-loads more in this fascinating study of the last days & religion.



### Scientific Evidences for a 6000 Year-Old Earth

➤ Russ Miller

If you have the least inclination toward the unbiblical theory of evolution, this will rock your boat! Using a plethora of slides, dry wit and wide-smile humor, Russ shows SCIENTIFICALLY why the "Old Earth" theory won't hold water. Proving, if there's ever a doubt, trust God's Word! Great graphics, incredible presentation!



### Characteristics of the Millennium

➤ Paul Van Noy

Paul, one of the most doctrinally balanced Bible teachers in America, walks you through 1000 years of Jesus reigning on the earth as King. Where will Jesus' throne be? Are babies born in sin? How long will people live? Will there be leaders of other countries while Jesus is on the throne? Is the Millennial Reign a literal 1000 years? Is the marriage supper of the Lamb on earth during the Millennium? Who are the friends of the Bride Groom? Who gets to eat dinner? What is the difference between Amillennialism and Premillennialism? Who reigns with Jesus? Learn what the Bible says about these questions and much more in this awesome, and quite enjoyable, presentation!



#### **Biblical Solutions to America's Economic Crisis**

Jerry has a block-buster best-selling book, Bankruptcy of a Nation, and has had recent appearances on Fox and national radio shows. His grasp of the current economy is a breath of fresh air, helping people to better navigate the myriads of financial pitfalls in today's investments!



### What Can Christians Expect as the Global Noose Tightens?

➤ John Loeffler

Christians are getting a little nervous these days as our enemies increasingly on the attack. What can we expect if the Lord tarries? You need to know and will get a notebook full of notes from the man many call, "Mr. Research!"



### Failure, Forgiveness, and Your Future

➤ David Moore

We all experience some kind of failure in life. We all sin and fall short. Sometimes it's private, sometimes public. But in the big scheme of things, God is, and always was, in control. So with the Bible admonishing all Believers to forget the past and look to the future, and Satan screaming in your ear, how do you practically pick up the pieces and move on? This is a Great outline for any and everyone who is a sinner, saved by grace and desiring God's best even after a nasty crash!



#### America and the Ten Kings of Revelation

➤ Wilfred Hahn

Wilfred is an expert in Bible Prophecy and his niche is The Book Of Revelation. He'll delve deeply into those interesting last days' 10 world powers with Biblical twists and turns few have studied. This is a stand-up-and-



#### God's Way or Man's Way?

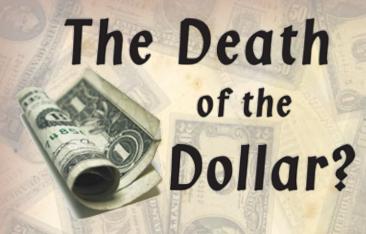
yell Bible prophecy "pundits" delight!

➤ Frank Peretti

This best-selling Christian author has the innate ability to get to the meat of a controversial position, exposing the truth, or lack there of. And he continues to wake up Believers with this presentation about Christians desiring to do an "end around" instead of God's way, "up the middle." You'll enjoy this humor-filled and practically positioned thought process of what is God's best for our life!







A prudent man sees evil and hides himself, but the naive proceed and pay the penalty. Proverbs 27:12

The U.S. dollar has lost 95% of its value since 1913 when the control of our money was given over to the Federal Reserve System. (Hint: It's not federal and it's not a reserve). But our biggest problem has been building since 1971 when the U.S. dropped the gold standard. Before 1971, you could take your dollars, by law, and demand to have them traded for gold. In 1971, President Nixon felt he had no choice but to disconnect the dollar from gold. This was due to the fact that France was cashing in all their dollars for gold, and we were running out of the yellow metal.

By dropping the gold standard, it meant the dollar was allowed to "float." Our money was only worth, in gold, what some-

one was willing to pay. Money that is not backed by collateral (i.e. gold) is called "fiat" money. History tells us fiat money has only worked temporarily and when too much is printed, the system implodes. This is what happened to the Germans and Italians in WW2 and the Argentinians in 2002. Other countries today like Iceland, Greece, Spain, Hungry, Ireland, Estonia, Ukraine are in similar financial peril.

Since 1971, with America no longer constrained by having to back up every dollar with gold, it could simply print more money to solve any and all problems. Or so she thought. Politicians don't seem to understand that a dollar is an IOU. As a result, today the United States must borrow 1.5 billion dollars a day, just to pay bills. That is unsustainable.

The old way of countries solving their fiat money problems and the burden of excessive liabilities was to inflate, devalue and tax. But with so much U.S. debt spread around the world, that dog won't hunt anymore. No one wants to be paid back with dollars worth half as much. The only thing that will work is to start over with a new world currency issued by someone like the International Monetary Fund. Is that where we are headed? It appears so. If it is, there goes the sovereignty of every nation involved. It was James Garfield who said: "He who controls the money supply of a nation controls the nation."

Jerry Robinson gave a Steeling presentation entitled, *The Death of the Dollar*. It's information every Christian needs to know in these volatile times! Order Today! 1-800-977-2177, www.compass.org or via mail, page 7.

# Drugs and Depression in the Last Days

Looking closely at the prescription drug industry is scary. Do we really need all those pills our doctors are prescribing for us? What does the Bible say about how to deal with depres-

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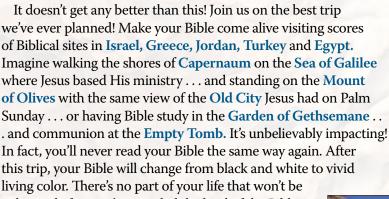
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Josh McDowell has been greatly used by God. He has authored or co-authored more than one hundred books and workbooks with more than forty-two million copies in print worldwide. Josh's most popular works are The New Evidence That Demands a Verdict, More Than a Carpenter, Beyond Belief to Convictions and his latest releases The Last Christian Generation and The Da Vinci Code—A Quest for Answers.

Josh has been married to Dottie for more than thirty-four years and has four children. *Join them for the trip of a lifetime!* 





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### Trip Itinerary

### Egypt/Petra

Fri, Oct 29 Depart for Egypt, Petra/Red Sea.

Sat, Oct 30 Arrive Egypt, overnight in Cairo.

Sun, Oct 31 Visit Pyramid, Sphinx & Egyptian National Museum.

Mon, Nov 1 Depart for Petra/Red Sea. Overnight in Wadi Musa.

Tue, Nov 2 Visit Petra, Jordan. Overnight in Wadi Musa.

Wed, Nov 3 Travel to Eilat. Red Sea cruise swim/snorkel. Overnight in Eilat.

Thur, Nov 4 Travel to Tel Aviv via Beer-Sheba & Elah Valley. Overnight Tel Aviv.

### Israel

We'll handle all your flights from your home airport to Israel/Athens & back.

Thursday
November 4

Tel Aviv

After arriving in Israel, you'll be taken to your hotel on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea.

Friday Coast Caesarea, Aqueducts, Mt.Carmel, Valley of Armageddon, Nazareth, Cana, Mt. Arbel.

Saturday
November 6

Galilee

Sea of Galilee boat ride and
Bible study, Mt. of Beatitudes,
Caparagum Golan Htc. Ropti

Capernaum, Golan Hts, Baptisms in the Jordan.

Sunday Jordan
November 7 Valley

Bet Shen Arena, Bet Shen city, Jordan Valley. Jericho, Qumran, Engedi
Evening Bible Study.

Monday Dead Dead Sea Swim, Masada, Southern Steps, Bethlehem overlook & shep-herd's fields overlook. Jerusalem at night.

Tuesday
November 9

Old City, Temple Mount, Pools of Bethesda, St Ann's Church, Wailing Wall, Temple Institute, Rabbinic Tunnels, City of David.

Wednesday
November 10

Mount of Olives, Palm Sunday Road, Caiphas' House, Old City,
Jewish Quarter, Via Dolorosa, Antonia Fortress, Golgotha,
Communion at the Empty Tomb.

Thursday
November 11

US/Athens
Head home with tons of memories or travel to Athens for Mediterranean
Cruise option.

### Mediterranean Cruise

(Tues, Nov 9 Depart USA if doing the Mediterranean Cruise without Israel)

Thu, Nov 11 Depart Israel for Athens. Visit Parthenon & Mars Hill.

Fri, Nov 12 Embark cruise ship, lunch on board, the Captain's Bon Voyage party and mixer with Josh and Dottie McDowell.

Sat, Nov 13 Visit Rhodes, enjoy evening Bible studies with Josh on board.

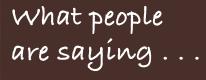
Sun, Nov 14 In the morning, visit Ephesus. After lunch onboard, visit Patmos.

Mon, Nov 15 Arrive Athens and head home with memory chips full, or begin optional Corinth extension.

### Corinth

Mon, Nov 15 Visit ancient Corinth, Corinth Canal and the Bema Seat. Shop in the famous Plaka shopping district and spend a romantic night in Athens.

Tue, Nov 16 Head home!



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"Standing on Mt Moriah, knowing Jesus is going to rule the earth from that very spot, was incredible."



The Aquamarine-docked in Patmos on a previous Compass cruise.

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### Rapture, continued from page 1.

If that indeed is where we're headed, it is highly likely that our economy will get a lot worse, not better, in the future. You can debate if America's financial predicament was intentionally inflicted in order to bring the U.S.A. into a "New World Order," or if it was just stupidity by our politicians. But one thing is for sure, if Rapture doesn't come soon, we'll witness a great shift away from the civil, spiritual and economic liberties we currently enjoy.

Businesses will continue to close causing unemployment to worsen. Massive deflation or inflation (who knows which) could raise it's ugly head. Federal, state, and local government services could be mandatorily curtailed as the tax base shrinks. Voting in new faces might delay the inevitable, but our country seems headed into deep, deep financial trouble. For the first time in 70 years, truly tough times could be on the horizon. If our worse case scenario comes true, for whatever reasons, it seems God would allow America, on whom He shed His grace for so long, to slowly, painfully, decline in influence and power.

But the huge upside would be when people finally realize that the government makes a poor "god." And the government can't provide everything to everyone, but is only able to further enslave and control. With no where else to turn, this could open the flood gates for genuine spiritual interest in eternity. Not the hokey "prosperity doctrines," or the watered down "God needs our help" types of Christianity, but rather, a thirst for God's truth about life and death: plus the truth about a loving God patiently waiting to reveal Himself. And what God says is important in this life and the next, to any person who looks His way. The truth that only comes through our inerrant Bible authored by the righteous God Who created the universe.

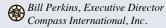
This kind of "change" could be the precursor to the greatest revival ever in America. We're not much for the idea that if all Hades breaks loose that we should run to the top of a remote mountain and live in a radar-deflecting tent. Rather, we believe God wants to use us in the lives of those in our sphere of influence. Since God is still in control, any bummer situation should be viewed as an exciting opportunity! (Rom 8:28)

Hey, if it gets really really messy, we think the best place to be would be in the midst of the action—allowing God to use us to proclaim long-term answers from the Word of God. The truth: this earth is temporary and not our eternal home—our eyes should be on the long term, not the short term.

Satan is our adversary, not people (Eph 6:12). He is "God of this world" (2 Cor 4:4) and he's wreaking havoc in the strongest Christian nation on earth by making "man made things" more appealing than God's eternal truths.

And if those "things" are taken away, we have hope! We have eternal answers. We know His eternal truths. Use us, Lord, for Your glory!

May you recognize every future opportunity to witness God's eternal truths!



If you too think God is still in control, and that the main thing in this life is who goes to heaven and who goes to hell, pray about joining to be a Compass Pointe. It's a monthly reminder to, "do the work of an evangelist." See details on page 6

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