Dr. Roger Hodkinson Warns of Myocarditis and Infertility from Covid Vaccines



Introduction

Anna Brees is a journalist who used to work as a reporter on BBC. In the video, she interviews Dr. Roger Hodkison, a noted pathologist who is not an anti-vaxxer but who is sounding the alarm about the dangerous side-effects of Covid vaccinations.

Transcript

Anna Brees: Hello, everyone, it is the 11th of June 2021. And I'm talking to Dr. Roger Hodkinson again, for a third time with a very important message. We were chatting on the phone a few minutes ago, Roger, and I thought it was incredibly important that I got you on this call, because there's a really urgent message isn't there to the public? Tell me first of all, for those who haven't heard about you before, what's your experience? What do you do? Who are you?

Dr. Hodkinson: In summary, I'm a retired pathologist living in Canada. I was trained at Cambridge in the UK in medicine, and then in pathology in Vancouver, British Columbia. I've been an assistant professor of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Alberta. I've been Chair of the examination committee for general pathology at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Ottawa, I've been the CEO of a large commercial laboratory. I'm currently the chairman of an American company involved in molecular diagnostics, DNA sequencing for early diagnosis of cancer. So I've had a rather well-rounded career, and I think I'm quite competent to comment upon many aspects of COVID.

Anna Brees: And you're not a lone voice. And I keep saying to people, you know, there are doctors for COVID ethics, you've got PANDA (Pandemics ~ Data & Analysis), you've got heart, you've got the Frontline American doctors. And there may be a few doctors in there, you're not completely so sure about, you know, in terms of ...

Dr. Hodkinson: Well, I'm part of, you might say, the inner circle, there are about twelve of us internationally, that converse on a regular basis offline. And I did have a conversation by email with Peter McCullough, which we'll talk about in a minute, the preeminent American cardiologist involved in COVID. And so yeah, I'm right in the thick of it. I'm extremely frustrated with what's going on. And I'm sure we'll talk about that.

Anna Brees: When I said at the beginning of this interview, is you have a really urgent message to get out to the public. So what is it?

Dr. Hodkinson: Well, this, of course, is an experimental vaccine. It should have never been released. It was never an emergency, which predicated the development of the vaccine. And as with all vaccines, there are complications, which were predictable with time, but there was never enough time given for the clinical trial, which only lasted four to six months. In particular, complications are now coming out that are very disturbing.

The latest one over the last few days starting off in Israel is the frequency of Myocarditis in young adult males. And getting worse, the younger they are in teenagers. Just so I can translate that, Myocarditis is a medical term for inflammation of the heart. Now, the CDC is calling this reality of a large number of these events — we're now up to well over 200 events in the United States recorded — the CDC is calling us an "unbalanced" realization. Well, You're damn right it's unbalanced! It's the CDC that's unbalanced! Myocarditis is never mild, as they're describing it for the general public, meaning not terribly significant. The heart muscles, the cells that make up the heart muscles never regenerate. If one dies, they're done. It's not like the liver or the kidney that regenerates. When a heart muscle dies, it's dead and it's never replaced. Myocarditis means a generalized inflammation of the heart muscle. So muscle cells in the heart will be dying. The number is hard to determine, obviously, because the person is still alive. But I can tell you with categorical certainty, supported by Dr. (Peter) McCullough's conversation with me this morning, that Myocarditis is totally unpredictable in terms of its long-term consequences. It may only present 20 years later, because of the reserve of the heart having been destroyed. We're talking here about cardiac arrhythmias, abnormal heartbeats. We're talking about heart failure, and so on. This is a most worrying, development. And of course, it's exactly the kind of complication that would have come out of a normal clinical trial for a vaccine, which typically takes a number of years.

Anna Brees: Why did you speak to Dr. Peter McCullough? Where do you go at the moment when you're getting all this information and reports from all over the world? You know, you said you're in a group of 12. Where do you go? Where's the expertise? How can we be sure that what you're saying is something for us to take note of?

Dr. Hodkinson: Well, Dr. McCullough has his own group in the United States that I follow very carefully. I mean, communication, he's the lead of it. And I mean, frequent communication with him. In Europe, there are doctors for COVID ethics, which is headed up by Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi, and Dr. Mike Yeadon, and Dr. Michael Palmer, all with substantial reputations in their own fields. And then in South Africa, of course, there's PANDA which is headed up by Nick

Hudson, with his own esteemed scientific advisory board. So yeah, I'm as plugged in as anyone can be. We're all in frequent communication with zoom calls every week. And I'm speaking, therefore, with some authority on this. I'm connected on a daily basis, with the top guys in the world.

Anna Brees: But I need to challenge you here because you want 12 or small groups, but there must be 1000s and 1000s, of doctors who completely disagree with you? Or are there they? Is there something that's keeping them quiet? I mean, why should we listen to you? And why is this so important in your experience with these groups?

Dr. Hodkinson: Let me assure you that the statistics, when the books are written, will be exactly the other way around. I suspect, and it's impossible to confirm because of the intimidation that colleges across the world are putting on individual physicians, including me. I can assure you that there's a vast number of physicians who do not buy into this idiocy. Physicians who are well trained can see through this immediately as so transparently stupid. It's medical idiocy of the most grotesque degree that's going on. None of the so-called mandates, first of all, are supported by any scientific consensus whatsoever. If there had been one, we would have used it in previous flu epidemics, and we never did. You simply can't solve these things. By any control, you can't solve the spread of a pandemic, with an upper respiratory tract virus, by any known names to medical science. It's simply not possible.

Anna Brees: What reaches the public that is maybe sitting on the fence? Those are the people I want to reach. What I found interesting is when I've been listening to these doctors, they were actually recommending the vaccination in January, and February, and March and even, you know, I wasn't getting any emails whatsoever. As a journalist who has quite a high profile in this situation. I wasn't getting any stories of adverse vaccine reactions, but something shifted, I would say about six weeks ago. And so these doctors were recommending it to patients. But they've actually changed completely changed their mind and said, "We must halt this immediately." So it's not you're in an anti-Vax movement in any way you were promoting the vaccine. And Dr. Mike Yeadon talked about vaccinating the vulnerable, but over the last, I don't know, two months, they've pulled back and said, "Actually, no, we need to hold back now. We no longer recommend this for our patients."

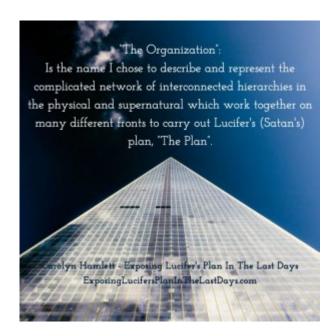
Dr. Hodkinson: Dr. Tess Lawrie is the most authoritative person on this. And she's just published a devastating analysis of the whole NES (??), with the bottom line being exactly that, that this vaccination of everybody should stop immediately. Remember, please, that the predicate for this vaccine or these vaccines, was the statement that this was a medical emergency of a most sinister global scale. Well, it never was by any definition. And so if you take away that underpinning, requirement, if you take away the emergency, there was absolutely no reason for the development of a vaccine that contravened all the normal safeguards for the introduction of something on such a global scale. There's never been ever in medical history, a vaccination program on this scale involving billions of people with the most minor attention to long-term consequences. And I do want to expand on that because the story is not yet over.

Look, last time I checked, pregnancy takes nine months. You cannot conceivably check for fertility issues, if you're only doing a clinical trial for four to six months, but never even included pregnant women other than those that got pregnant during the trial, and there were only 40 of them. There are very serious scientific possibilities here for long-term infertility. The studies have not been done. We do know for a fact that the placenta and the testis have a very heavy expression of the receptor for the spike protein which is being produced in large amounts by the vaccines. We do know that. We also know that during the SARS epidemic, which was a very similar organism, there were reports of a small number, but then it was a small number of people that came down with it, obviously, it was well contained. But we do know that during the SARS epidemic, there were reports of orchitis, which is a medical term for inflammation of the testis. So what I'm saying is on the male side of fertility, there are serious scientific grounds for worry. Not proven, I'm not being a scaremonger here. I'm not a conspiracy theorist, I'm not an anti-vaxxer da de da, right, I take vaccines myself.

On the female side does equal concern, because it comes out of the obscure Pfizer submission to the Japanese regulatory authority, that the vaccine particles, the little tiny lipid nanoparticles that are part of the vaccine locate very heavily in the ovary. Now, this was a rat study. But it still showed heavy localization most unexpectedly of these vaccine particles in the ovary.

End of the first 12 minutes of the transcript. I hope this inspires you to listen to the rest of the interview if you have not done so.

<u>Former Illuminist, Carolyn Hamlett</u>





Carolyn Hamlett

On the evening of July 14, I shared with my wife the testimonial of a lady who calls herself a "former Illuminist", Carolyn Hamlett. We listened to two interviews with her from an article I posted on my website 5 years ago: Interview with a former "Illumined One"

Carolyn Hamlett was raised in a trans-generational witchcraft family such as John Todd was, but she doesn't say she was a member of the Illuminati. In fact, she disavows any membership in the Illuminati saying people have mistakenly called her a former Illuminati. When Christians asked her with whom she worked with, she didn't even have a name for it. She just said she worked in partnership with Satan's top fallen angels! But most Christians didn't understand that. So she came up with her own name and called it, "The Organization".

In Carolyn Hamlett's own words:

"The living and working "body" that I call "The Organization" has many systems and divisions which have been created to work independently of each other, yet in unison, towards common objectives as the head controls and directs. The "head" of "The Organization" is Lucifer (Satan). Functioning as The Organization's "central nervous system" (brain and spinal column) is Lucifer (Satan) and his spiritual hierarchy of the descended (fallen) angels (many of them call themselves "Ascended Masters"... but they are nothing more than descended — fallen — angels), as well as hybrids and some humans who work in the supernatural, as well as here on this physical earth, to carry out Lucifer's plan."

"In addition, this organization has millions of people working for the same cause with varying degrees of awareness of that cause. They come from all age groups, all walks of life, all religions, all nationalities, from all governments, and all divisions of military. Most of these people are kept in the dark as to the true nature of The Plan and of the true identity of the authors of it (Satan and his fallen angels)." — From https://carolynhamlettexposinglucifersplaninthelastdays.com/2019/05/23/the-organization-what-is-it/

So far I haven't read anywhere in Carolyn Hamlett's blog where she talks about the Jesuits or the Vatican or the Jews or Zionists. She talks about Satan's control on earth being composed of millions of people and thousands of organizations working together just like the cells and organs of a body does. She says the Illuminati is just a small part of "The Organization. And

now I think the Jesuits, Vatican, Zionists, United Nations, Bilderbergers, Trilaterals, or any other NWO organization on earth, are just a small part of what Satan is doing on earth.

She talks a lot about occult influence in Christian churches, and especially in charismatic churches! Many people who call themselves Christians are really working for Satan, wittingly or unwittingly.

Carolyn Hamlett's bio:

https://carolynhamlettexposinglucifersplaninthelastdays.com/about-me/about-ca
rolyn-hamlett-a-short-bio/

Proof Our Immune System Can Protect Us from All Variants of the Coronavirus



The original title to this talk by Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi is

"Proof that puts an end to the Sars-CoV-2 Narrative" | Professor Sucharit Bhakdi

Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi is a retired Thai-German microbiologist. I consider this information important which is why I transcribed the video into text. I hope you watch both the video and read the text to get the message.

A person in Australia wrote saying he gets an error message in the place the video above should be. If you cannot see the video on this page, please go to

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Transcript of the video

The good news today is that scientific publications have just appeared that put an end to the whole narrative. What one has been made to believe up to now is that the SARS-CoV-2 virus is so new, that our immune system will not recognize it, and therefore, when the need arises, the immune system will not respond in time with the production of antibodies, that they could save our lives. And that's why we need to be vaccinated. That's why the whole world needs to be vaccinated.

Now, scientific publications that have appeared in the last weeks, as I said, put an end to this narrative, because it turns out that the Corona SARS-CoV-2 virus and its descendants are not so different from the old normal coronaviruses that they would not be recognized by the immune system.

Now, I tried to explain this with this chart here. This is the immune system, and the immune system can make many components. One of them are the antibodies that the immune system will make when it meets a new opponent of virus. Now, depending on whether the immune system recalls that it has seen this virus before or not, the response will be slow. The first response is always slow; takes about four weeks for the antibodies to be made, and these antibodies are called IgM, immune globulin M.

If, however, the immune system has seen this virus before, and remembers it because the immune system has a memory, then it quickly makes other antibodies, which are called IgG and IgA. These are recall antibodies.

these antibodies serve principally two functions. One function is that if it's a virus that the antibodies are supposed to combat, the antibodies can try to prevent the entry of the virus into yourself. This is what the antibodies to Corona are supposed to do. They are called protective antibodies, because they protect the cell from getting infected by the virus.

If however, the cell does get infected, then lymphocytes are there behind the scenes that will come out and recognize that the cell is infected. And these killer lymphocytes have the duty to kill the cell. So once the cell is killed, the virus factory is destroyed, the virus can't be produced any more, and you get up and go back to work.

The other function of antibodies — major function — is that if the antibodies are directed against a bacterium, or a fungal, then these antibodies will bind to the bacteria. And that will cause another arm of the immune system to be activated. This is so-called complement, because it complements the action of the antibodies and leukocytes.

Leukocytes are the cells that eat. These are cells that are in your blood. And they're circulating all the time. And waiting for these bacteria to come to

your blood to be coated with the antibodies and they will come and eat them. And thus are you protected by your antibodies against bacteria.

So we have actually two major arms of the immune system, one, the lymphocytes that are directed against viruses and virus infected cells, and the others are leukocytes that are directed against bacteria. It's like the Navy and the Air Force, Air Force, Navy, and both are really deadly. They take care of all the viruses that you are confronted with and all the bacteria normally.

So the question is now, is our immune system really blind to the new so called new SARS-CoV-2 virus?

Now this can be answered very simply. And for that, what one has to do is, one has to inject this virus or the virus gene into the body and see how long the immune system takes to make the antibodies against this gene. And this was done by three independent Americans research groups in the last weeks and published, so everyone can go and have a look at these papers. And everyone should look at the papers because two questions arise.

First, was the antibody response, fast or slow? This would be fast. And this would be slow. 30 days, 10 days or five days? And if it were fast, did the antibodies carry the correct label IgM, IgA or the wrong label?

So, what do you think? I'm going to ask you, the Americans measured in the blood, the appearance of the antibodies every day. The people who are

telling you that you should get vaccinated are going to say, "of course, they were IgM antibodies because this was blind to them. But the fact is the opposite. All groups found out that everyone who had been vaccinated responded with IgG, and IgA antibodies within days after the vaccination, which is absolute proof that it is a recall response to something that the immune system has recognized.

You may ask me, "How can this be?" The answer is very simple. Look, this is the hand, the grasping hand of the virus, this is the spike and the spike is there to grasp the handle of the door to yourself to get in. The antibody comes and forces itself into the jaw, like the crocodile, the mouth is open, it stops the crocodile from closing his mouth. Of course, this is not completely correct. But it will do as a picture for you.

All right. Now, this key that enters into the mouth, of course, it's not a perfect fit. So you could change a finger or two, and it will still go in. And this is the difference between coronaviruses and influenza viruses. influenza are flu viruses, the real flu, alright, which has really caused pandemics because flu viruses can completely change the whole hand so that the hand looks like this suddenly. Okay. And then your antibodies don't fit into that. But this is something that the Coronavirus can never do. They can't, and so they can only change the shape of the fingers. And that's not enough to fool the immune system. It's that simple. And this applies to all the variants. So forget it, if someone tells you

that you are not immune against the variants.

The fact is, of course, that the immune system doesn't splurge. It keeps its antibodies in a locker, just like you have money in the bank, you don't go around throwing your money out of your pocket, you get the money out of the bank when you need it. And that's what happens to the immune system. And wonderfully enough, another publication coming from Denmark, showed that true infections with the SARS-CoV-2 do exactly the same, meaning that everyone who has had an infection, even if he's asymptomatic, you know no symptoms, if the virus just gets into your throat, multiplies a bit and gets thrown out again. But even then, the immune system responds by making IgG and IgA antibodies, meaning that you have the money in the bank.

This means dear fellow citizens, that the herd immunity is already present, but kept under lock and key like a treasure. But it can be mobilized at any time you want. This is like a dog and his master. The dog, this is the immune system. The master in this case would be the virus. So the moment the virus comes near to the house, gets back, the dog senses that the viruses is coming, begins to wagging his tail, begins barking, throwing out the antibodies to say hello to the master.

So you see, this virus always first enters through the front door goes into your throat and it takes days to multiply and if it multiplies in your throat, it doesn't matter. It only kills you if it gets to your lungs.

But now we know that this is enough time for you and me or anyone, because the Danes showed that over 99% of all people running around, have this treasure, they have the treasure, and they could mobilize the IgG and IgA antibodies, even when the virus was only in the throat. Now, isn't this a piece of wonderful news? I think it causes us to realize, it causes us to realize that we can cast the dread of this pandemic away, and return to a wonderful world, return to our friends, our beloved ones, join hands with them, and rejoice. The pandemic is not existent as a mortally dangerous new disease.

Now, the second piece of news I have for you is that this will not only cause vaccination to be unnecessary, but also says if the vaccination carries any danger whatsoever, it must be stopped because there is no benefit. And if it only contains danger, then it is the duty of the doctors and the authorities not to undertake vaccination.

Now, let me tell you something very, very alarming. So alarming that this piece of news is just as important as the good piece of news. And this comes also from the publications that have just appeared. So we'll go back to this chart here. And I told you, in the vaccinated, they found that the IgA, and IgA antibodies came immediately. Then they waited for another two weeks or three weeks. And then they gave the people a second shot. What did

you see, they saw that the IgG and IgA levels immediately continued to rise, which is what a booster is supposed to do.

However, now, listen very carefully, look at this. This is a vessel wall, this is your blood. It is now known that the genes that are injected into your body will enter the bloodstream. And it is absolutely certain now that these genes are going to enter the cells that line the vessel wall. Because these are the cells that they contact.

Now, what happens when the cells that line the vessel walls begin to produce these spikes? The spikes will then be produced by the cell and protrude from the cell surface into the bloodstream. Alright, now, these cells going to be recognized by your lymphocytes that have born are given to you by the Dear Lord to kill those cells that are making the virus or the virus protein, any virus protein. So, these lymphocytes are going to mount the attack on your vessel walls.

This is the first way towards clot formation that as we know is happening all over the place all over the world. Now at the beginning after the first vaccination, this danger is bad and is already terrible in itself if your killer lymphocytes start trying to kill you. But at that time, during the first seven to 10 days, they are still no antibodies. They are not yet any antibodies. However, after three or four weeks, there are masses of antibodies all over the place in your blood. And if you dare to repeat this performance

and start to put those spikes out into your blood, God help you because now not only the killer lymphocytes will detect antibodies and complement, and leukocytes are also going to attack thinking that your cells that are producing these spikes are bacteria and they are going to try to eat your vessel wall cells.

Now, this attack of the Air Force and the Navy on a single cell target has never been seen before. There is no situation because either you're combating a virus, or you're combating the bacteria; mixed infections that go through the body are actually virtually unknown. So we have the unique situation that has been created by the vaccination.

That is, in a way, extremely interesting. Because no one knows what the outcome will be. However, the vision is so horrible, and so awful and terrifying, that I, myself, don't really want to know the answer. And I don't want this answer to become known.

I want you to decide to not take the second shot. Not only the second shot, but any shot thereafter is going to place your life in danger. That is what I am convinced of now, especially because of the publications that have just appeared. So I think that was the most important thing I have to say today. And I hope people will sit down, look at these papers, talk about them. And I hope that my colleagues, physicians, and scientists will do the same and get together to see whether this may have

a grain of truth. Because if it does, the consequences are absolutely endless or the consequences are very simple. We just have to stop everything now.

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Andrew Jackson Quote Exposing the Bankers



Andrew Jackson (March 15, 1767 — June 8, 1845), the seventh President of the United States (1829—1837).is one of my heroes. I think the Federal Reserve Bank is not honoring him, but actually mocking him by putting his picture on the US \$20 bill! I'm sure he would have hated that. He was diametrically against the central bank and worked to rescind its federal charter. According to the US Constitution, only the "Congress shall have

Power ...To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof" — not the bank. This is what President Jackson had to say to the bankers:

"Gentlemen! I too have been a close observer of the doings of the Bank of the United States. I have had men watching you for a long time, and am convinced that you have used the funds of the bank to speculate in the breadstuffs of the country. When you won, you divided the profits amongst you, and when you lost, you charged it to the bank. You tell me that if I take the deposits from the bank and annul its charter I shall ruin ten thousand families. That may be true, gentlemen, but that is your sin! Should I let you go on, you will ruin fifty thousand families, and that would be my sin! You are a den of vipers and thieves. I have determined to rout you out, and by the Eternal, (bringing his fist down on the table) I will rout you out!" Andrew Jackson.

The Destruction Of Jerusalem



Forward by the Webmaster:

I was inspired to transcribe part of Dr. Chuck Baldwin's message on the destruction of Jerusalem from a YouTube posted by Liberty Fellowship. I was not asked by Liberty Fellowship to do this. I am receiving no remuneration from them.

I think this message is extremely important for all Christians to know. It contains information that I certainly didn't know. And I think having a message in text format makes it more accessible to all. It sure helps me absorb the message deeper in my heart when I can read it. I hope you appreciate it and share this article with your friends.

The Destruction Of Jerusalem — by Dr. Chuck Baldwin

Open your Bibles please to Matthew chapter 23. Matthew chapter 23. I am preaching a message today that most of you have never heard a message of this nature preached in your life. You might be a senior citizen well up in years. I would venture to say you've never heard a message like I'm going to bring today, not because this message is not

important, it is critically important, but the problem is there has been a great falling away among the Church over the last hundred years, and many of these great truths of the Word of God are not being taught any longer. This is one of those.

I'm speaking today on the destruction of Jerusalem. Matthew chapter 23 in verses 37 and 38, hear what Jesus said:

Matthew 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

God introduced His covenant with Moses with mighty signs and miracles as we have already discussed. Again and again, again and again, the children of Israel, in spite of those miracles, rejected God, His Word, and His messengers. God sent them warning, after warning, after warning, prophet after prophet, miracle after miracle, oppressor after oppressor, and still Israel remained stiffnecked, hard-hearted and obstinate.

Moses in Exodus 32:9 said, "I have seen this people and behold it is a stiff-necked people."

In Exodus 33:5: "For the Lord said to Moses say unto the children of Israel ye are a stiff-necked people."

In Deuteronomy 9:6 "Understand therefore that the

LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land — the promised land — to possess it for thy righteousness." He's not giving you this land because you have been righteous. "For thou art a stiff-necked people."

Deuteronomy 9:13: "Furthermore the Lord said unto me saying I have seen this person and behold it is a stiff necked people."

2nd Chronicles chapter 30 and verse 8: "King Hezekiah said now be he not stiff necked as your fathers were."

In Acts chapter 7 verse 51 Stephen said: "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, you do always resist the Holy Ghost, as your fathers did, so do ye."

Jesus said to Jerusalem, "Thou that stonest the prophets, killest them that are sent unto thee." Jesus meant that.

Samuel was stormed against by the people, threatened, rejected, and mauled over by public opinion, Isaiah murdered with a wooden saw by King Manasseh, Joel, Uzziah, the son of King Amaziah, clubbed him to death. Amos, the son of a priest, drove a nail through his Temple. Micah was murdered by Joram, the son of Ahab. Habakkuk, stoned to death by Jews in Jerusalem. Ezekiel murdered by the chief of the Jews in Chaldea. Zachariah, King Joash murdered this prophet between the steps and the altar of the Temple, and then sprinkled his blood on the horns of the altar. Jeremiah, imprisoned,

tortured, starved, and stoned to death by the Jews.

Look at Jeremiah chapter 19, take your Bibles to Jeremiah chapter 19, hear the prophecy of Jeremiah relative to the destruction of Jerusalem. Jeremiah chapter 19. I'm going to be giving you a lot of material today, and I know it may be hard to remember everything that I'm going to say that's why I hope that you'll get the video afterward, but I hope you'll watch intently at this prophecy of Jeremiah as it is applied to the destruction of Jerusalem, because every single thing that Jeremiah said in this chapter came to pass, and we will see it in this message.

Jeremiah 19:1 ¶Thus saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests; 2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee, 3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, 0 kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.

- 4 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents;
- 5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither

came it into my mind:

6 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place (Jerusalem) shall no more be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter.

7 And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

8 And I will make this city desolate,

What did Jesus say? "Jerusalem, your house is left unto you desolate."

Jeremiah 19:8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

- 9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.

 10 ¶Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,
- 11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury.

 12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this

city as Tophet:

13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.

14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD'S house; and said to all the people, 15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

That was Jeremiah's prophecy of the destruction of Jerusalem. Every word came to pass as we will see in a minute.

Description of Jerusalem

First, let's talk about the city of Jerusalem itself. It was built on two major mountains, and five lesser mountains. Three massive walls surrounded the city on every side except one side which was inaccessible. One wall was erected on a hanging rock and fortified by sixty towers. The middle wall had fourteen towers. The third wall had nearly 90 towers. In clear weather, one could see the Mediterranean Sea, Arabia, and the entire nation of Israel, from one vantage point. The towers were built of white marble. The tower stood between 90 and 135 feet high. Again, they all stood

on the top of great hills and mountains. Nearby on the north side was the royal palace with its porticoes, galleries, apartments, groves, gardens, walks, fountains, aqueducts, all made from the costliest and most elegant materials. The Temple and the fort of Antonia were on the east side directly opposite the Mount of Olives. Inside the fort was the castle of Antonia, seventy five feet high, each side faced with marble. The towers of the fort were elegant and massive beyond description. The foundations of the lower Temple were four hundred and fifty feet deep, and the stones of which they were composed were more than 60 feet long and seven feet high, made of the whitest marble. The circuit of the whole building was four furlongs. Its height 100 cubits, 160 pillars each 27 feet high, ornamented and sustained the immense and ponderous edifice. In the front, spacious and lofty galleries wainscoted with cedar were supported by columns of white marble in uniform rows. In short, says Josephus, nothing could surpass even the exterior of this Temple for its elegant and curious workmanship. It was adorned with solid plates of gold that rivaled the beauty of the rising sun, and were scarcely less dazzling to the eye than the beams of that luminary. Of those parts of the building which were not guilt when viewed from a distance, some, says he, appeared like pillars of snow, and some like mountains of white marble. The splendor of the interior parts of the Temple corresponded with the external magnificence. It was decorated and enriched by everything that was costly, elegant, and superb.

In the lower Temple was placed the sacred curiosities; the seven-branched candlestick of pure gold, the table for the show-bread, and the altar of incense, the two latter of which were covered over with plates of the same metal, gold. In the sanctuary were several doors 55 cubits high, 16 in breadth which were all likewise of gold. Before these doors hung a veil of the most beautiful Babylonian tapestry composed of scarlet blue and purple, exquisitely interwoven, and wrought up to the highest degree of art. From the top of the ceiling depended branches and leaves of vines and large clusters of grapes hanging down five or six feet all of gold, and of most admirable workmanship. In addition to these proofs of the splendor and riches of the Temple may be noticed its eastern gate of pure Corinthian brass, more esteemed even than the precious metals. The golden folding doors of the chambers, the beautiful carved work, gilding and painting of the galleries, golden vessels of the sanctuary, the vestments of scarlet, violet and purple, the vast wealth of the treasury, abundance of precious stones and immense quantities of all kinds of costly spices and perfumes, in short, the most valuable and sumptuous of whatever nature or art or opulence could supply was enclosed within the consecrated walls of this magnificent and venerable edifice.

On Palm Sunday Jesus entered into that city, Jerusalem. The people laid palm leaves in His path and shouted, Hosanna! Blessed be the king that cometh in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. But listen to what Jesus

said, Luke 19:41 through 44.

Luke 19:41 ¶And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, 42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. 43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, 44 And shall lay thee even — even — with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

On Wednesday of that week, Jesus rebuked and confounded the scribes and the Pharisees, and warned the disciples of the barbarous treatment that they would receive very soon at the hands of the Jews. He then said those words that we began this address with.

Luke 13:34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not!

35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate:

The Olivet Discourse

Turn in your Bibles to Matthew chapter 24 beginning in verse 1.

Matthew 24:1 ¶And Jesus went out, and departed from the Temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the Temple.

Not sure this was all of the disciples. It could have been Peter, James, John and Andrew, but they came out to Jesus and engaged in a private conversation with Him, and Jesus foretold the destruction of the city of Jerusalem.

Verse 2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things?

Remember this discourse took place on the Mount of Olives which commanded a full view of the city of Jerusalem and the Temple. Jesus and the disciples are looking at the city. They're looking at the Temple when Jesus said, "See ye not all these things?" Jerusalem, the Temple, the walls, the towers, the beauty, the grandeur, the riches. "Verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. Jesus here predicts the city and the Temple's complete demolition.

Verse three: And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? — the destruction of Jerusalem — and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? Or the end of the age. meaning the end of the Jewish age, the end of the Jewish world, not talking about the end of the world as almost everyone interprets this verse to mean. Jesus is talking about the

destruction of Jerusalem, the end of an age, the end of the Jewish system, the end of their city, the end of their Temple, the end of their worship. When shall these things be?

Verse 4 ¶And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. 5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

Within a year after Christ's death and resurrection, many false Christs appeared. Dasu Theas the Samaritan, Simon Magus a second Samaritan false Christ, a false Christ named Tudas under the government of Felix, a host of false Christs appeared claiming to perform great signs and miracles. An Egyptian false Christ collected 30 thousand followers. In the time of Festus, another false Christ appeared, and this is just a sample of the hundreds and hundreds of false Christs that came into Judea and Jerusalem shortly after the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, just as He had predicted.

Verse 6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. 7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

This is not talking about the end of the world, this is talking about the destruction of Jerusalem. There were wars and commotions occurring so

frequently between Jesus death and the destruction of Jerusalem that the whole interval could be regarded as the fulfillment of this prophecy. War between Herod and Aretas king of Arabia Petraea, the wars of Caligula, the wars against the Jews by the Greeks and Syrians in the city of Seleucia with a huge slaughter, the wars between the Jews and the Philadelphians at Perea, the battle between the Jews and Kuminus resulting in the deaths of 10,000 Jews, war between the Jews and the Samaritans, war between the Jews and the Syrians in Ceceria resulting in the deaths of 20,000 Jews, war in Damascus, Tyre, Ascalon, Gadara, and Scythopolis. In the first three cities I just mentioned 10,000 Jews were killed in one hour. The siege of Chapada killed 40,000 Jews. In Alexandria the Romans killed 50,000 Jews. You shall have wars and rumors of wars, nation against nation. It was all fulfilled just as Jesus said between the time of Christ's death and the destruction of Jerusalem.

And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, Jesus said. Within that same period of time of this prophecy, this was literally fulfilled. In the reign of Claudius there was an great earthquake in Rome. There was an earthquake in Apamea, another earthquake in Syria, another one in Crete, there were earthquakes in Smyrna, Meletis Caius and Samos, another in Laodicea as well as Hierapolis and Colossi, and a dreadful earthquake occurred in Jerusalem a short time before the Roman siege against Jerusalem began. It all took place just as Jesus said. Jesus said, famines, great famines at the time extended through Greece and Italy but were

felt most severely in Judea and especially in Jerusalem. Helena, Queen of Abiabeena, sent large supplies of grain to Jerusalem to help the starving in the city. The Gentile Christian Churches at the urging of the Apostle Paul sent much relief to the city of Jerusalem because of the starvation and famine in the city just as Jesus predicted.

Jesus said pestilences would occur. The first occurred in Babylon about 40 AD. The second occurred in Rome in 65 AD. Tens of thousands of people, maybe hundreds of thousands perished by the disease accumulating due to starvation and sickness. Dead corpses rotting on the streets, infected rats and insects, just as Jesus said, disease permeated the region for many years in between the death of Christ and the destruction of Jerusalem. In Luke chapter 21 and verse 11 Jesus said:

Great Signs from Heaven

Luke 21:11 ...and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

The following extraordinary signs occurred just as Jesus said:

A meteor resembling a sword hung over Jerusalem during one entire year. This could not be a comet for it was stationary and was visible for twelve successive months. A sword too, a fit emblem of destruction.

"On the eighth of the month, (before the feast of

unleavened bread) at the ninth hour of the night, there shone round about the altar, and the adjacent buildings of the Temple, a light equal to the brightness of the day, which continued for the space of half an hour." This could not be the effect of lightning, nor of a vivid aurora, for it was confined to a particular spot and the light shone unintermittently thirty minutes, as the High Priest were leading a heifer to the altar to be sacrificed, and brought forth a lamb, in the midst of the Temple.

Such is the strange account given by the historian. Some may regard it as a "Grecian fable," while others may think that they discern in this prodigy a miraculous rebuke of Jewish infidelity and impiety, for rejecting the ANTITYPICAL Lamb, who had offered Himself as an atonement, "once for all," and who, by thus completely fulfilling their design, had virtually abrogated the Levitical sacrifices. However this may be, the circumstances of the prodigy are remarkable. It did not occur in an obscure part of the city, but in the Temple, not at an ordinary time, but at the Passover, the season of our LORD'S crucifixion, in the presence, not of the vulgar merely, but of the High Priests and of their attendants, and when they were leading the sacrifice to the altar.

About the sixth hour of the night, the eastern gate of the Temple was seen to open without human assistance. When the guards informed the curator of this event, he sent men to assist them in shutting it, who with great difficulty succeeded. This gate,

as hath been observed already, was of solid brass, and required twenty men to close it every evening. It could not have been opened by a "strange gust of wind," or a "slight earthquake;" for Josephus says, it was secured by "iron bolts and bars, which were let down into a large threshold; consisting of one entire stone."

Soon after the feast of the Passover, in various parts of the country, before the setting of the sun, chariots and armed men were seen in the air, passing round about Jerusalem. Neither could this portentous spectacle be occasioned by the aurora, for it occurred before the setting of the sun, or merely the fancy of a few villagers, gazing at the heavens, for it was seen in various parts of the country.

Beyond that, at the subsequent feast of Pentecost, while the priests were going by night, into the inner Temple to perform their customary ministrations, they first felt, as they said, a shaking, accompanied by an indistinct murmuring, and afterwards voices as of a multitude, saying, in a distinct and earnest manner, "LET US DEPART HENCE." This gradation will remind the reader of that awful transaction, which the feast of Pentecost was principally instituted to commemorate. First, a shaking was heard, this would naturally induce the priests to listen: an unintelligible murmuring succeeds; this would more powerfully arrest their attention, and while it was thus awakened arid fixed, they heard, says Josephus, the voices of a multitude, distinctly

pronouncing the words "LET US DEPART HENCE." And accordingly, before this period for celebrating this feast returned, the Jewish war had commenced, and in the space of three years afterwards, Jerusalem was surrounded by the Roman army, the Temple converted into a citadel, and its sacred courts streaming with the blood of human victims.

And the last and most fearful omen, Josephus relates that one Jesus, the son of Ananus, a rustic of the lower class, during the Feast of Tabernacles, suddenly exclaimed in the Temple, "A voice from the east, a voice from the west, a voice from the four winds, a voice against Jerusalem and the Temple - a voice against bridegrooms and brides - a voice against the whole people!" These words he incessantly proclaimed aloud both day and night, through all the streets of Jerusalem, for seven years and five months together, commencing in A.D. 62, when the city was in a state of peace, and overflowing with prosperity, and terminating amidst the horrors of the siege. This disturber, having excited the attention of the magistracy, was brought before Albinus the Roman governor, who commanded that he should be scourged. But the severest stripes drew from him neither tears nor supplications. As he never thanked those who relieved, so neither did he complain of the injustice of those who struck him. And no other answer could the governor obtain to his interrogatories, but his usual denunciation of "Woe, woe to Jerusalem!" which he still continued to proclaim through the city, but especially during the festivals, when his manner became more earnest,

and the tone of his voice louder. At length, on the commencement of the siege, he ascended the walls, and, in a more powerful voice than ever, exclaimed, "Woe, woe to this city, this Temple, and this people!" And then, with a presentment of his own death, added," Woe, woe to myself." He had scarcely uttered these words when a stone from one of the Roman engines killed him on the spot. The great signs just as Jesus predicted.

Matthew chapter 24 verse 8 Jesus continues saying all these are the beginning of sorrows.

Luke 21 verse 12 Jesus said that before all these things they shall lay hands on you — the disciples — and persecute you delivering you up to the synagogues and into prisons being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. In the verse 16 of that chapter, and ye shall be betrayed both parents and brethren and kinsfolks and friends, and some of you they shall cause to be put to death. As we know John the Baptist had already been beheaded, Peter and John were in prison, Stephen was stoned to death, James was beheaded, Paul was beheaded, eventually all of the disciples except John were violently martyred, just as Jesus said.

Verse 14 in Matthew 24: And this Gospel of the kingdom shall be preached into all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come. He's not talking about the end of the world, he's talking about the end of the Jewish world, the end of the Jewish age, the Gospel shall be preached to all the world, then shall the end come. The

persecution of the Jews against the early Church forced the apostles and disciples to flee the city of Jerusalem. The book of Acts records the preaching of the Gospel into all the world, Rome, Corinth, Galatia, Ephesus, Philippi, Colossi, Thessalonica, Pontius, Cappadocia, Bethinia.

Colossians chapter 1 verse 23 listen to what the Apostle Paul said.

If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the Gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached — which was preached — to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister. Just as Jesus said, the Gospel would be preached to everyone in the world, everyone under heaven. So here Paul proclaims the fulfillment of Jesus prophecy which was preached to every creature under heaven!

All of this, all of this was Jesus prophecy of things preceding the destruction of Jerusalem. Everything we have discussed to this moment happened *prior* to the destruction of Jerusalem. They were the precursors of that which was to come.

The wars referred to earlier escalated between the Jews in Jerusalem and Rome until it reached a boiling point. Nero appointed Vespasian to prosecute the war against the Jews in Jerusalem. Assisted by his son Titus, they marched an army of 60,000 men against Jerusalem in 67 AD. As the Roman army marched through Judea towards Jerusalem, it

spared no one, woman or child. The siege and surrounding Judea went on for 15 months. Vespasian leveled the cities of Galilee and the chief towns of Judea killing at least a hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants. The terrors and calamities in the coastal city of Joppa were especially dreadful. Thousands of Jews took to ships to escape Vespasian's fury, but a great tempest of wind pushed the ships back to land, and hundreds of vessels were dashed against the rocks. Many Jews killed themselves to escape being tortured by the Roman army. Over four thousand dead bodies were strewed along the coasts, and thousands more were killed inland. Thus was fulfilled Jesus prophecy Luke 21:25 and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring.

While Vespasian returned to Caesarea to plan his great and final assault against Jerusalem, he was summoned back to Rome upon the death of Nero. His son Titus was left in charge of the Roman army. Thus there was a respite of almost two years before Titus would seize the city of Jerusalem. God again gave the Jews yet another chance to repent and turn to the Lord. After all these things that have already happened, pestilences, disease, death, earthquake, wars, 150,000 killed in Judea, after all of this there was a two-year respite. The Jews could have repented. The Jews could have turned to the Lord. God gave them another opportunity after all of the opportunities God had given Israel from the time of Moses, to the time of Joshua, to the Judges, to the prophets, over and over and over and over and over and over and over

again for thousands of years God gave them an opportunity to repent, an opportunity to come to the Lord, an opportunity to obey God, an opportunity to be faithful to His Word, so many opportunities they're too numerous to count! And now on the very verge of their destruction, on the very verge of the total annihilation of their people, their way of life, their religion, their Temple, their city, God gave them another chance to repent. And they did not. Think of all the opportunities God gave the children of Israel from the time Moses delivered them from bondage all the way through the times of the prophets. The plagues, the judgments, the invasions, the captivity, the miracles, the deliverance. And then came John the Baptist and they killed him. Then came their Messiah, and they crucified Him. They're hard to stubbornness iniquity wickedness and blasphemy only grew worse and worse.

And now on the verge of total annihilation, the rebellion of the Jews against God intensified to unspeakable proportions. Inside the city of Jerusalem a great civil war broke out between the inhabitants. These two "factions" spared no one, women or children. They killed each other by the thousands. Eighty five hundred bodies lied rotting on the streets of Jerusalem killed by fellow Jews. Twelve thousand Jewish leaders were killed including many Pharisees. Their carcasses lay in heaps along the city streets. Unrestrained lawlessness ran rampant throughout Judea. There was no law. There was rampant, rampant, unbridled violence, murder, rape, pillage, plunder, death,

destruction, Jew against Jew!

It was during this background that the city inhabitants became aware that the Roman army was approaching for its final assault. Listen to Jesus in Matthew chapter 24 begin reading from verse 15:

Matthew 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whose readeth, let him understand:)

- 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
- 17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
- 18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
- 19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
- 20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
- 21 For then shall be great tribulation, (He's talking about the destruction of Jerusalem! There shall be great tribulation!) such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Let me pause right there. There has never in the history of the world been a slaughter, been an annihilation, been a destruction, of any people, of any city, anywhere in the history of the world, that compares to the destruction of the city of Jerusalem. And since that dreadful destruction, in modern history, with all of the advances in

technology, and all of the warfare, the bombs, the planes, the ships, the guns, the canons, everything, World War I, World War II, think of all of the great horrors of military conflict that have taken place, to this very day there has never been an annihilation of any people, anywhere, in any war, that compares to the annihilation of the city of Jerusalem just as Jesus said in Matthew chapter 24 and verse 21, read it again, for then shall be Great Tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor shall ever be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

And in Luke 21 verse 20 Luke adds this, Jesus speaking:

Luke 21:20 ¶And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed (or surrounded) with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

When you see the Roman armies surrounding this city, your doom is upon you. Previously Jerusalem had been invaded, Jerusalem had been captured, Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Chaldeans, but now Jerusalem will be utterly and totally annihilated.

The day on which Titus encompassed Jerusalem was the Feast of the Passover, the 37th anniversary of the day when the Jews crucified their Messiah, 37 years to the day. Unaware of the bloodshed and the mayhem that was taking place in Jerusalem, tens of thousands of Jews faithfully came to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover as they did each year, but in doing so this year they ignored the warning of Jesus.

Luke 21:21b ...and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. (The city of Jerusalem.)

If you're in the country, stay there. Do not enter the city of Jerusalem. The tens of thousands, yea, hundreds of thousands of Jews did just that. Josephus, the greatest of all Jewish historians, was an eyewitness to the destruction of Jerusalem. He was in Jerusalem when the siege began. He was taken prisoner by the Roman army, and when they recognized who he was, they spared his life, and they charged him to be an eyewitness on-site reporter, and to record every detail of the events that he witnessed during the course of this siege which is exactly what he did. Josephus said there were so many Roman crosses in Jerusalem one could hardly walk through the city. Rumors among the Roman troops were that Jews had swallowed gold, and you can imagine what the Roman troops did to the Jewish bodies in an attempt to recover the swallowed gold.

After visualizing the carnage that the Jews had inflicted upon themselves, and that now his troops were inflicting, Titus was so grieved at the scene that he stopped, raised his hand toward heaven, and prayed to God that he never intended so much death and destruction as the Jews had inflicted upon themselves. But the horrors of famine intensified.

People were eating their belts, their sandals, the skins of their shields, dried grass and the order (???) of oxen. Men were eating each other, and women were eating their children. Remember the words of Jeremiah? Again Jesus warned Luke 23:28 as He was carrying his Cross to Mount Calvary and the women around Him were weeping Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem weep not for me but weep for yourselves and for your children!" They had no idea what He meant, but Jesus knew what was soon to come to this city.

Finally, the Romans breached the inner wall, I am trying to make this as expeditious as I can leaving out so many details of this. Your imagination can take you to the scene and you can only imagine the horror that was taking place as I tell you about this. The Romans breached the inner wall and gained possession of the great Tower of Antonio in advance toward the Temple. Titus had determined in planning the siege to not, I repeat, to not destroy the Temple. He wanted to preserve it as a trophy of Rome. Titus would not have his way. As his soldiers began burning the Temple, Titus personally rode to the scene and commanded his men to spare the Temple. But so violent was the battle between the Romans and the Jews that they either did not see their commander, or if they did, they ignored him. Jews were rushing from every quarter to save the Temple. There is no language to describe the scene of fire and smoke and blood and death that ensued as the Jews fought desperately to save the Temple of God! And the Romans, obsessed with their destruction, it was something so unimaginable, it's impossible to describe.

The old and the young, the feeble and the fit, the priests and the commoners, the Pharisees and the scribes, mothers and fathers, parents and children, brothers and sisters, the ground could not be seen! The ground could not be seen for dead bodies. Men were not walking on the earth, they were walking on the bodies of the dead. In some parts of the city, blood was up to the horse's bridle.

Before the final demolition, however, Titus took a survey of the city and its fortifications. And while contemplating their impregnable strength, could not help ascribing a success to the peculiar interposition of Almighty God. He said, "Had not God himself aided our operations, and driven the Jews from their fortresses, it would have been absolutely impossible to have taken them. For what could men and the force of engines have done against such towers as these." — The Roman general Titus.

After this he commanded that the city should be raised — leveled — to the foundations. Of the Jews destroyed during the siege, Josephus records not less than 1,100,000, to which must be added above two hundred and thirty seven thousand who perished in other places, and innumerable multitudes who were swept away by famine and pestilence of which no calculation could be made. The actual number of Jews killed in the siege of Jerusalem was somewhere within a million at the least, and maybe two million dead.

In executing the command of Titus relative to the demolition of Jerusalem, the Roman soldiers not only threw down the buildings, but even dug up their foundations. You remember? Four hundred fifty feet deep! They dug up the foundations, and so completely leveled the whole circuit of the city that a stranger would scarcely have known that the city had ever been inhabited by human beings. Thus was the great city which only five months before had been crowded with nearly 2 million people, who glorified in its impregnable strength, entirely depopulated and level to the ground. And thus also was our Lord's prediction that her enemies shall, "lay her even with the ground," fully accomplished. This fact is confirmed by Eusebius who asserts that he himself saw the city lying in ruins.

Thus was literally fulfilled the prophecy of Micah in Micah 3:12

Micah 3:12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

So significant was the destruction of Jerusalem, that it is the subject of a very large portion of prophecies in both the old and new testaments. Pause, sadly the vast majority of pastors either ignore these prophecies or they misapply them, and take away their meaning completely applying it to something that wasn't true! And so most people don't even realize how many scores and scores of verses in both the Old and New Testaments prophesy

the destruction of Jerusalem! In other words, God placed the destruction of Jerusalem as a monumental sign and lesson, not to Israel, but to the Church.

First this caveat: Titus was the most unlikely man throughout the Roman armies to become a scourge to Jerusalem. He was eminently distinguished for his great tenderness and humanity, which he displayed in a variety of instances during the siege. He repeatedly made specific overtures to the Jews, and deeply lamented the infatuation that rejected them. In short he did everything which a military commander could do to spare them and to preserve their city and Temple, but without effect. Thus was the will of God accomplished by human agency, although contrary to the wish of Titus, and his predicted interposition to punish his rebellious and apostate people in this way rendered more conspicuously evident. In other words, by using Titus to be the one through whom the destruction of Jerusalem would come, in itself, was a miracle, a sign for the Church, forever, that everything about the destruction of Israel was divine in origin. It was the fulfillment of prophecy, the judgment of God forever upon Israel, Jerusalem, their Temple, and their religion.

Think of it: Not a single Christian perished in the siege of Jerusalem. Think of it, Jerusalem is where the Church began. Remember the day of Pentecost 3,000 were saved baptized and added to the Church in one day, in Jerusalem. The Church grew by leaps and bounds! But not one single Christian died in the siege of Jerusalem. They were dispersed in

persecution, and those that weren't heeded the Oracles of God pertaining to the destruction of Jerusalem, and left before the siege began.

When Jesus said, "This generation shall not pass before all these things were fulfilled," it came to pass just as He said. A generation is 40 years in biblical terminology. Within 40 years time everything that Jesus had predicted had come to pass. That generation of people did not pass. They saw, experienced, lived and died in that fulfilled prophecy.

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<u>Science Confirms the</u> Truth of the Bible



True scientific discoveries confirm the truth of the Bible. The very first verse in the Bible, Genesis chapter one verse one, has a profound meaning in physics.

Genesis 1:1 ¶In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Einstein's *space-time continuum* verifies Genesis 1:1. Before "the beginning" there was no time, there was no heaven — space — and there was no earth — matter. Time, space, and matter all must exist simultaneously or none of them can exist.

Physicist Dr. John Gideon Hartnett adds to the preceding paragraph:

At first glance, this seems to give credibility to the Big Bang theory that the universe had a beginning in time and was 'created' out of 'nothing'. Those are in scare quotes because there is no creator in the big bang universe, and prior to it existing there was nothing. But nothing does not spontaneously create a universe unless you are a believer in Steven Hawking's wishful thinking.
See

https://biblescienceforum.com/2014/07/15/the-singul arity-a-dark-beginning/

Without space and time, matter cannot exist, but neither can a universe exist without a creator and the Bible tells us who He is. The Creator is a God whom we can know personally. He is the great I AM, who was always there, the uncreated First Cause, and we can trust what He says, because He never lies (Numbers 23:19, Titus 1:2). His name YHVH from Hebrew means the 'self-existent One'. He is not created but He created all things."

Dr. Henry M. Morris, Ph.D., says,

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." Time itself, according to this most profound (yet simple) of all declarations, had a beginning. Space (i.e., "the heaven") and matter ("the earth") began simultaneously with time. Before that beginning, there was nothing—that is, nothing except God! (Quoted from https://www.icr.org/article/eternal-future-time-space-matter/)

The Bible confirms the existence of harmful bacteria

The laws of sanitation in the Bible were written

some 3000 years before Louis Pasteur in the 19th century linked germs with infectious disease!

There are numerous rules for sanitation and quarantine found in the Old Testament, and especially in the Book of Leviticus that God gave for the benefit of His children to keep them free from contagious diseases. The scientific community only much later in time discovered the importance of these health rules which includes washing one's body in running water!

Leviticus 15:13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

"Soap and water don't kill germs; they work by mechanically removing them from your hands. Running water by itself does a pretty good job of germ removal..." (Quoted from https://www.health.harvard.edu/newsletter_art icle/The_handiwork_of_good_health

You have probably heard the proverb, "Cleanliness is next to godliness." The phrase "running water" is found exactly seven times in the King James translation of the Bible! The number seven is God's special number, for it signifies spiritual perfection and completion. The Bible mentions it more than any other number.

Leviticus 14:5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water:

Leviticus 14:6 As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water:

Leviticus 14:50 And he shall kill the one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water: Leviticus 14:51 And he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house seven times:

Leviticus 14:52 And he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet: Leviticus 15:13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

Numbers 19:17 And for an unclean person they shall take of the ashes of the burnt heifer of purification for sin, and running water shall be put thereto in a vessel:

More Scriptures about sanitation

Leviticus 11:31 These are unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

- 32 And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be, wherein any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.
- 33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.
- 34 Of all meat which may be eaten, that on which such water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel shall be unclean.
- 35 And every thing whereupon any part of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; whether it be oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: for they are unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.
- 36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, wherein there is plenty of water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

The words "unclean" and "clean" indicate to me either the presence of germs and harmful bacteria or the absence of them. The microscope had not yet been invented in the time Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt. The people of course could not see microbes. They didn't have the "germ theory" in their education. They just obeyed God's commands to Moses not knowing the scientific reasons why they should.

Medieval Europe was plagued with diphtheria, measles, tuberculosis, leprosy, typhus, anthrax,

smallpox, salmonella and other maladies. The worst of such diseases was of course the Black Death.

Leviticus 15:1 ¶And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying,

- 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath a running issue (a discharge such as puss) out of his flesh, because of his issue he is unclean.
- 3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it is his uncleanness.
- 4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and every thing, whereon he sitteth, shall be unclean.
- 5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 6 And he that sitteth on any thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 8 And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 9 And what saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be unclean.
- 10 And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be unclean until the even: and he that beareth any of those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until

the even.

- 11 And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 12 And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.
- 13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

Does modern science tell us it's important for good health to keep our bodies and hands clean? You know it does. And why? To remove the presence of harmful bacteria, that's why.

Did you know that in the early part of the 19th century, <u>'Wash your hands' was once controversial</u> medical advice?

Regarding the hygiene principle and germs, Ignaz Philipp Semmelweis (1818 -1865), who was a Hungarian physician, discovered that 10%-35% Of the mothers that came to the medical institutions suffered fatalities. Puerperal fever was common in mid-19th-century hospitals and was fatal. Doctors in those clinics had three times the mortality of midwives' wards. Sadly, nobody knew why. But after close observation, Semmelweis

discovered that the incidence of puerperal fever or "childbed fever" could be greatly reduced by the use of hand disinfection in obstetrical clinics.

Semmelweis proposed the practice of washing hands with chlorinated lime solutions in 1847 while working in Vienna General Hospital's First Obstetrical Clinic. He ordered physicians to wash their hands thoroughly after every examination. In three months, the death rate fell from 18% to 1%. These were astounding results. And he was called the "savior of mothers." He published a book of his findings in Etiology, Concept and Prophylaxis of Childbed Fever. Despite various publications of his successful results, Semmelweis's suggestions were not accepted by the medical community of his time.

Why was Semmelweis research rejected? Because germs were virtually a foreign concept for the Europeans in the middle-19th-century. Later, Semmelweis's publications earned widespread acceptance only years after his death, when Louis Pasteur confirmed the "germ theory" and Joseph Lister, acting on the French microbiologist's research, practiced and operated on patients while using hygienic methods with great results.

Had the medical community paid attention to God's instructions that were given 3000 years

before, many lives would have been saved. The Lord gave the Israelites hygienic principles against the contamination of germs and taught the necessity to quarantine the sick (Numbers 19:11-12). And the book of Leviticus lists a host of diseases and ways where a person would come in contact with germs (Leviticus 13:46).

Germs were no new discovery in 1847. And for this fact, Roderick McGrew testified in the Encyclopedia of Medical History: "The idea of contagion was foreign to the classic medical tradition and found no place in the voluminous Hippocratic writings. The Old Testament, however, is a rich source for contagionist sentiment, especially in regard to leprosy and venereal disease" (1985, pp. 77-78). — (from https://bibleask.org/did-the-bible-teach-the-

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The practice of the quarantine of people with infectious diseases is in the Bible

Numbers 12:10 ¶And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam became leprous, white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, she was leprous.

11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned.

12 Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh

is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb.

- 13 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.
- 14 And the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let her be received in again.

 15 And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again.

Other than the "germ theory" we also have the "terrain theory"

Diseases are results of our internal environment and its ability to maintain homeostasis against outside threats. Terrain theory believes if an individual maintains a healthy terrain, it can handle outside invaders or threats which cause diseases. When terrain is weak, it favors the microorganisms. Hence, health depends on the quality of an individuals' terrain. (Quoted from

https://drkarenwolfe.org/germ-theory-or-terra
in-theory-of-disease/)

Are these two theories of the cause of disease at odds with each other? I personally do not think so. In my opinion, both are true. We are supposed to wash our hands before we eat so we do not transfer

harmful bacteria into our mouths, and we try as much as possible to live in an environment free of toxic chemicals. We also are supposed to maintain a strong immune system by eating a nutritious diet, daily exercise, taking a good night's sleep and rest when our bodies tell us it's tired, and having a good mental attitude toward life in general.

People who have a relationship with God through the Lord Jesus Christ are the most likely people to have such a good positive attitude. They are less likely to worry about the future or experience stress which is harmful to health. If you are searching for such a relationship with your Creator God, please see <a href="https://example.com/health/new-charge-such-above-such-