

Some Bitter Pills to Ponder Swallowing

This past couple of weeks Americans have been exposed to a world event just as unspeakable as the 9/ 11 /sneak attack on the twin towers. Most watched, stunned at, the reports of organized attacks on Israeli settlements close to the border of Gaza. This attack by Hamas terrorists' cells operating from the maze of tunnels honeycombing the under strata of many of Gaza's largest cities, have aroused the full fury of a now unified Israel determined to eradicate all those that took part in atrocities just as unspeakably barbaric as those that befell millions of Jews in Hitler's attempted genocide during WWII.

I've just watched the Rosenberg Report on TBN in which Former Prime Ministers Boris Jonson of Great Britain and Scott Morrison of Australia were taken on a tour of the devastation that befell the innocent Border settlement of Kafir Atah. Both of these fine leaders were visibly shocked from viewing a village where every residence had been blown apart or riddled with gunfire, many with the families still inside.

Forty infants had been beheaded, many women raped, and every horror a satanically inspired hoard could inflict was committed. In all, some 1400 innocent Israelis were murdered and over 200 taken captive from the over 20 villages attacked.

Yet amazingly, factions in this country, especially on some of our most esteemed universities are charging that these horrors were justified; that somehow these innocents deserved to be slaughtered. Certainly the spirit of antisemitism has poisoned the minds of far too many Americans in much the same way that Goebbels' propaganda barrage darkened the understanding of much of

the German population which then chose to stand by and even applaud Hitler's maniacal personal vendetta against the Jews.

The age-old breach between the Israelites and other mid east nations dates all the way back to the feud between Esau and Jacob, Abraham's two sons, and can be studied in the first five books the Bible known as the Torah. But my scope here will be limited to discussing the dangerous antisemitism now spreading in our own nation.

My concern is that the very unity and stability that once graced the American melting pot wherein people from every nation, creed and ethnicity were welcome to pursue the American dream, in which all men and women were "created equal," and given access to "the blessings of liberty" once they achieved citizenship in the original process of naturalization.

What is at stake here is the possible loss of the American blessing gotten through our covenant with Israel. That connection is described in god's promise to Abram: "Get thee unto a land which I will show thee. And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee and make thy name great: and thou shalt be a blessing: and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse them that curse thee, and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed."(Gen. 12: 1-3.)

America has long supported Israel, the only true democracy in the middle east, seeing her as a key alliance partner and also a sharer of moral values as well as Israel's countless contributions to science, technology, military intelligence and the arts. We also share the Judaeo-Christian tradition which has blessed both of our nations.

In John we read that "salvation is of the Jews. (4:22) And Jesus, himself a Jew, says,"No man comes unto the Father but by me." (John 14: 6)

I'm sure that these scriptures don't sit well with some people, but if the Hebrew scriptures are inerrant, and I think they may well be, then the very stability and prosperity that has blessed America for so long may be at stake if too many people swallow the poison pill of hatred being prescribed by the Israel haters out there screaming for more Jewish blood.

Now more than ever it is crucial that believers "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem." Too many innocent lives both among the Palestinians and the Israelites have already been lost, and the safety and well being of the whole world may be at stake. Pray for wisdom and divine guidance for all world leaders, and that all God's children can grow up in peace.

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