

Mark 3:26 — A Theory

Let's hear from Yoceph about the things we were seeing in Philadelphia:

Yoceph: When I got there I didn't really realize how significant it was. As I listened to what President Clinton, General Powell, and others said, I thought of what I read in the teaching, "The Iron and Clay Confusion," about the blending of the political and religious systems of the world. It made me think of how our Father doesn't do anything without revealing it to His prophets first, and how that teaching had been taught three years ago in Boston. I thought about how the teaching said Christians will pervade every aspect of society and will clean up society; everything from Hollywood to the schools to the universities to the streets, in order for them and their children to live in the world very safely and righteously. And that is exactly what we saw in Philadelphia. There we heard five words over and over again: Mentor, protect, nurture, teach, and serve.

Everyone sees this as good. I understood that it is coming down to the two: the iron and clay on the one hand, and the Stone Kingdom on the other. Vice-President Albert Gore even said, "America will be one community under God." I saw it as the beginning of the two kingdoms facing each other. We have compared it in the past to two heavyweights facing off. The teaching said that in the last days the Spirit of YHWH and the spirit of the evil one will each raise up a kingdom in the last days. As Hakam spoke so clearly down there, we are in those days.

Did we all hear this? Is everyone familiar with that teaching? Has it been taught in the communities or do just the prophets know about it? If they do, they need to be speaking about it, because nothing, not the twelve tribes, not anything, will come to be unless we speak it into existence. The twelve tribes will not come about any other way but through fervent prayer *that we would be born as a nation and not abort*.

So, the definition of the word *theory* is:

Systematically organized knowledge applicable to a wide variety of circumstances; especially a system of assumptions, accepted principles, and accepted rules of procedure to analyze, predict, or otherwise explain the nature or behavior of a given set of phenomena.

The rapture, for instance, is a theory, but many people believe it and hold it to be true. We are here to pass this on, to see what our Father has to say about it. We don't want to say anything that isn't true. Let's look at Mk 3:26 (from 3:24):

And if a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but he is finished!

Understanding this verse is a confusing thing for people in Christianity. Many things in the Bible are the *translator's choice*. No one can understand what the Hebrew Scriptures are saying (in order to translate them) unless they understand the spirit the prophet who wrote them was speaking in. It is a very difficult thing for them to do. Mk 3:26 is the prophetic utterance of our Master Yahshua. If Satan is divided then surely he is coming to an end. His end in this age is Rev 20:1-2.

This is something we have been thinking about for a long time — it is revolutionary. It could be right, it could be wrong. The man of lawlessness cannot come until the *apostasy (translator's choice)* comes. The word *apostasy* means falling away from the faith. Here is 2 Ths 2:3 in the Amplified:

Let no one deceive you or beguile you in any way, for that day will not come except the apostasy comes first [unless the predicted falling away of those who have professed to be Christians has come], and the man of lawlessness (sin) is revealed, who is the son of doom (of perdition),

The New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) for 2 Ths 2:1-3 says:

*As to the coming of our Sovereign Yahshua ha-Mashiyach and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Sovereign is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the **rebellion** comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined*

for destruction.

Isn't it amazing they knew in those days? (2 Ths 2:5) We can't think the false apostles didn't raise up false churches. In time it was hundreds of false churches. This was the beginning of Christianity. The church as it was in the first century became unrecognizable over time after the first century. The false churches and the false teachings infiltrated the true churches. The bishopric system took over. The doctrinally correct people put to death the doctrinally incorrect.

2 Ths 2:3-7 — The man of lawlessness is restrained until the one who restrains him is taken out of the way. Christianity says the restraint is the Holy Spirit. Is this right? Now, the meaning of the word *restraint* is in some ways, *retard*. The real meaning of the word translated *apostasy* is *defection* or *rebellion*.

Has Mk 3:26 happened yet? Of course not. It can only happen universally in the one-world government. Let's read Rev 17:16-18. We already know in Rev 17:3 that the woman is on the back of the beast. We have already learned that the only one who can restrain the beast is the one on his back. So you can see in Dan 2:44 and Dan 7:24 that the days of those ten kings and Rev 17:12 are talking about the same thing. So you can see the ten kings are coming about.

Before the one-world government can come about, the Arabs (who will never submit), and the Russians, will both have to be destroyed when they try to remove the Israelites (the Jews in the land). They will have to be removed before the one-world government can come.

The beast will hate the whore (Rev 17:16). Rev 17:1,3 — The whore is on the back of the beast. Where is Satan? He's in the whore (see 2 Cor 11:2-4 and verses 13-15) *and* he is in the beast. So you can see what Mk 3:26 is talking about. The whore is on the beast. The beast is carrying the whore. The whore is in command at this time. (Look at Billy Graham's account of his dealings with ten presidents, from Harry Truman to that "very nice man" President Clinton. Every president has sought him out, and he has sought them out. Billy Graham is the most popular person — his appeal cuts across barriers.)

We want to help people understand these things. They will go along with the beast and he with them, until he wants to go where the creeds and the councils, the unchangeable infallibility of the Pope won't let him go. Then he will resent the restraint. They had councils to decide things, like women being in ministry, etc. We have councils too. We are having one today, but not like we will.

Sometimes when we hear a prophet speak there is unanimous agreement. Other times there is not and we need a council to judge what is said. We have to understand and judge what is said in our midst.

The beast is carrying the woman until the time he comes to full power. This will come about, be brought in by the whore, the government of the ten kings and the beast. Then he will turn on her and burn her with fire. Who is the woman? To answer that we have to see that she is not a governmental system as some say. There is a governmental system — which is what the words *ten kings* speaks of — and there is a religious system. This is what the words, *she became a harlot* speaks of, something which was once a faithful bride who changed her nature, degraded herself.

How many languages developed from Babylon? That is also a picture of Christianity, the harlot. The people in ancient Babylon could no longer understand one another. So it has also been with the denominations — they have not understood one another. That is why it is called *Babylon the Great* in Rev 17:5. Now is coming about the great movement of Christianity called *ecumenism*, where they are agreeing to lay aside their differences. Look at the interview with Billy Graham where he talks about his beliefs:

- About Jesus — There is salvation in no one else. (So the interviewer asked him, "Do you mean all those people who live in the Arab countries, who have never heard, are all going to hell?")

- About hell — It is a misunderstood place; it is not a literal burning.

- About those who haven't heard — Well, God will take care of them.

- About homosexuality — It is a sin (firmly), but so is being greedy and so are evil thoughts (totally mixing up filthy sins with offenses that are not abominable).

- About war — (He was asked in relation to being at the White House so much, especially on the night

President Bush began the war on Iraq) — No President likes war, but I know God is not against war. When the evil one is in the beast and the woman, then Mk 3:26 has come upon him when he destroys the woman — his end has come. Government and religion don't mix (the iron and the clay don't adhere to one another Dan 2:43). If the way some Christians think is right, then the politicians of a *Christian nation* like America should be Christian. They have hung people in the past in the United States in colonial times over doctrinal differences.

Rev 17:11-14 — There is not one day these powers do not try to come and dwell in us, but we are to be *faithful*. Rev 17:15-18 — The ten kings will hate her. Why? Because of the restraint on them. The woman *rules* over the kings. Rev 17:1-3 — The beast had ten horns, they are the ten kings of Dan 2:44. There are now more nations than ten involved in the European Economic Federation, but there are questions whether certain nations will remain in it, or whether somehow it will (it has to), boil down to ten. Maybe Portugal will revert back to Spain.

Rev 17:18 — Since the woman rules over the kings of the earth, she restrains the beast (2 Ths 2:6-7). He will put off the restraint of her. Before this happens, before she can be righteously destroyed, all those in the woman have to be appealed to, so those who are willing to do our Father's will can be saved — this is what Rev 18:1-4 is talking about. Then those who will not come out, who will not abandon the Pope, their bodies will be burned up with fire in one hour. Then they will be cast directly into the Lake of Fire (as also the Beast and the False Prophet in Rev 19:20), for there is no need for them to come to the judgment of Jn 5:29, since they are already judged as Jn 3:18-21 says. They hated the light, for their deeds were evil.

Rev 19:1-3 — In heaven means this is something that has happened in this age, because they have ~~it~~ come back to earth yet (to rule, Rev 5:9,10). The apostles, prophets, and *holy ones* will be rejoicing on the earth *in this age* (Rev 18:20). So, at the end of the age there will be apostles, prophets, and holy ones.

Who is the restrainer of 2 Ths 2:7? *The one who rides on the back of the beast!* (Rev 17:3). 2 Ths 2:7-8 — *Removed* speaks of an involuntary removal of the one who was in control.

The spirit empowering the beast wants to be god; he wants to go into the temple and be worshipped. He is going to *prove* himself to be god with signs and wonders. The *elect* are not going to be deceived we are going to know ahead of time about these things, and we are going to be telling our children so they will know. We are going to pass on these things to them prophetically — they are going to know. We are most unwise if we are not telling these things to our children. They are waiting to hear.

The word *apostasy* is 2 Ths 2:3 is the *translator's choice*. Look in your concordance, number 646 — it is *defection* or *rebellion* or to *forsake*. (In Mt 24:34, it doesn't mean *this* generation will never pass away — making our Master Yahshua a false prophet — but it means *that* generation. Our Father wants us to get understanding of the Scriptures.) Defection from what? The truth, Christians say. It is the forsaking, the abandonment of allegiance. So the woman in Rev 17:3 — which is right now 1/3 of the world's population — has the power to get anyone elected. The Pope is actually the restrainer. He is getting more and more power. If the Pope is removed they would just get another Pope, so not only the Pope must be removed.

{How many Promise Keepers want to do God's will? Maybe thousands of them. They have to be called out. Our Father is not going to have one of His own remain in her.}

So the Pope will want to defect or forsake the program of the beast. He may be jealous and want to set himself up like the beast does, since Satan is in both of them (Mk 3:26). What are they going to do about what they have already decided *infallibly*? Like what has been decided in counsel about women not being ordained or about homosexuals. They may want to change, but they are stuck because to go back on anything they have decided in such a way is to call into question all that has been *infallibly* decreed, ex-cathedra. They would have nothing left to stand on.

The common people don't know the ambitions that really drive the Pope. The whore will want to resist the beast's desire to exalt himself as god. The two can't mix, the iron and the clay, but what we saw in

Philadelphia is the deception, the deceptive notion, that they can mix, and that it would be good if they did. The Christian church will eventually rebel when she sees the two can't mix. It does not take any genius to see which will prevail between iron and clay.

Shoreh: You can see what a deception it will be. Among the religious right are two kinds of people. First there are the false, who really do want to rise above everyone else and seize power. Then there are those who are appalled by the moral decay of today and want to stem the tide, or at least protect their family. They are two different kinds of people. We will be able to reach those who are in that movement more innocently — the second kind.

All the while she was bringing him in (Rev 17:3), and he liked that, then she starts restraining him. Then Satan has to make a decision (Mk 3:26). So, there is a marriage, but they will divide. The two can't walk along the same pathway because they don't agree. And it is par for the course nowadays that the woman is the head of the man.

2 Ths 2:7 in the KJV says, "And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time."

The Pope is the head of the one-world church and *he is the restraining influence*. The goal of the beast is to be God, to ascend as he tried to at the first (Isa 14:13-14 and Eze 28:17). Both the adversary and our Father want to make themselves manifest through human beings.

Hakam: The deceptiveness of it is that the whole thing will be veiled in religion (2 Cor 11:13-15) until the beast destroys her, then it will be too late for all the earth.

That is why Christians have to be warned — so they have a chance to come out. Those who don't reject come out of her, but the others reject the light because their deeds are evil (Jn 3:18-21). They could have been enlightened by our words (Rev 18), but they weren't because they weren't willing to do His will (Jn 7:17).

The goal of the beast is 2 Ths 2:4 — to ascend to the throne of God. The pope has the apostolic succession he claims from Peter himself, that he is the very Vicar of Christ. There are contending claims to the worship of the masses. Rev 13 says the beast will be killed and come back to life. Maybe it is cloning. You can't clone a human being, but you could if you could infuse it with a soul and spirit. Judas went to his place (Acts 1:25), and the beast will come from his place (Rev 17:8).

Let's say the woman is a retarding factor. The Pope knows he can't be God, but that doesn't mean Satan can't enter into him to cause him to want to do what the beast does. His kingdom, the evil one's kingdom, is divided. Isa 14:13 makes it seem like he wants to be in both places. As democracy spreads across the face of the whole earth, all Christianity under the influence of the Pope would be the deciding factor to anyone being elected.

2 Tim 2:26 - 3:5 — This is how all Christians are. People are taken captive by Satan to do his will, but still, they have a "form of godliness." Christianity will bring the beast in, and might be the deciding factor of him being elected king of the world. If the rebels are eliminated, then who will take the credit for it but the beast?

Mk 3:26, continued — Gog and Magog

The nations of Eze 38 and 39, as in verses like,

And I shall magnify Myself, sanctify Myself, and make Myself known in the sight of many nations; and they will know that I am the Sovereign. (Eze 38:23)

are not the United States, Germany, etc. They are righteous people of the nations, who will enter into the nations. Then they will either flee from the coming wrath of God or enter into the twelve tribes of Israel. We don't know everything because we have to grow in our understanding and revelation. It is an essential process of growth if we are to become His people. The prophecies of Daniel and the other books of the Bible have not opened more than a crack. It will not be unsealed until the end of time, *But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase. (Dan 12:4)*

The computer revolution is going to produce a class system in the world. There was a recent title to a news magazine, speaking of computers, which was titled, "Man's Last Stand." Knowledge will be increased,

and it surely is. There is nothing you won't be able to know — you will be able to gain access to all the world's knowledge. It is a phenomenal thing that is going to happen on the face of the earth.

Mk 3:26 Again

We do know the Pope and his people must go. It will be on Sixty Minutes. Don't think it is not an exactly literal number (Rev 17:17). If anyone does not love the truth, God will turn him over to a deluding influence (2 Ths 2:10-12). Maybe on that day, or that week even, all will be at rest. All the computer systems will shut down for that Easter, the media, everything. What happens in stadiums in Australia will never be known in time for people in Europe or America to stay out of them. He will be so deceptive, just like Jehu was with the worshippers of Baal. The language barriers are falling today. We are going back to the days of Gen 11.

The beast will say to the world, "Let's get back to the nucleus of humanity. Together we'll create the greatest civilization and we will spread to the stars. We need to be a pure race, and we will re-establish the kingdom of God!" Here is 2 Ths 2:8 in the Amplified,

And then the lawless one (the antichrist) will be revealed and the Sovereign Yahshua will slay him with the breath of His mouth and bring him to an end by the appearing of His coming.

The deception of the last days will be so deluding, so powerful. We have to warn the world. The Pope and the church — they are one, aren't they? The Pope and the church will be the retarding factor, the restraining power, which the man of lawlessness must remove.