I will bless those who bless you (Israel), and I will curse him who curses you (Israel). Genesis 12:3

Our nation faces many consequential challenges that should keep us in prayer and propel us to action. One issue unfolding before us is the unraveling of U.S. support for Israel. We believe uncompromising support for Israel is critical at this moment in history and therefore we need to pray, and we need to act. *Tony Perkins* - Family Research Council

Most people today are afraid, confused, and dismayed at the unprecedented turn of events of our world which appears to have gone insane. They don't know what to do and so they are looking for answers but not finding any because they aren't looking at the only source that can give them what they are looking for, which of course, is the Word of God, the Bible.

So let's open our Bibles to a place where the disciples were asking questions to the Lord Jesus Christ who knows all the answers because He is omniscient, there is nothing that He doesn't know.

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Matthew 24:1-3 And Jesus came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him. 2) And He answered and said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here shall be left upon another, which will not be torn down." 3) And as He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"

BIRTHPANGS

Matthew 24:4-9 And Jesus answered and said to them, "See to it that no one misleads you. 5 "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many. 6 "And you will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars; see that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end. 7 "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. 8 "But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs. 9 "Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations on account of My name.

THE TRIBULATION

Matthew 24:10-16 "And at that time many will fall away and will deliver up one another and hate one another. 11 "And many false prophets will arise, and will mislead many. ¹² "And because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold. 13 "But the one who endures to the end, he shall be saved. 14 "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world for a witness to all the nations, and then the end shall come. (Middle of the Tribulation) 15 "Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), ¹⁶ then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains;

Matthew 24:17-22 let him who is on the housetop not go down to get the things out that are in his house; 18) and let him who is in the field not turn back to get his cloak. 19) "But woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babes in those days! 20) "But pray that your flight may not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath; 21) for then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall. 22) "And unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days shall be cut short.

Matthew 24:23-28 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him. 24) "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect. 25) "Behold, I have told you in advance. 26) "If therefore they say to you, 'Behold, He is in the wilderness,' do not go forth, or, 'Behold, He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe them. 27) "For just as the lightning comes from the east, and flashes even to the west, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be. 28) "Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

Luke 17:36-37 'Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left." ³⁷ And answering they said to Him, "Where, Lord?" And He said to them, "Where the body *is*, there also will the vultures be gathered."

What Should Believers be Doing?

2 Timothy 3:12-14 And indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. ¹³ But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them;

Psalm 31:23-24 O love the LORD, all you His godly ones! The LORD preserves the faithful, And fully recompenses the proud doer. 24 Be strong, and let your heart take courage, All you who hope in the LORD.

What Will Happen to Unbelievers?

2 Thessalonians 2:9-10 ...that is, the one (antichrist) whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, 10) and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. 11) And for this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they might believe what is false, 12) in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

One thing is certain, even though the entire world has millions and millions of people who are antisemitic towards Israel and who support the loathsome vermin of Hamas who butchered, raped, burnt, and tortured innocent Jewish men, women, children, and babies; and even though every nation on earth will some day join together in order to annihilate Israel, Israel will remain a nation and they all will be destroyed.

Israel will not be defeated, she will remain a nation, and she will not be removed from the land that God promised to her!

Scripture Validation

Jeremiah 31:35-37 Thus says the LORD, Who gives the sun for light by day, And the fixed order of the moon and the stars for light by night, Who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar; The LORD of hosts is His name: 36 "If this fixed order departs From before Me," declares the LORD, "Then the offspring of Israel also shall cease From being a nation before Me forever."

These verses are stating that if the sun, moon, or stars change the fixed order they have been using from time in memorial (which is impossible), then the offsprings of Israel will cease from being a nation before God (which also is impossible).

Jeremiah 30:10-11 'And fear not, O Jacob My servant,' declares the LORD, 'And do not be dismayed, O Israel; For behold, I will save you from afar, And your offspring from the land of their captivity. And Jacob shall return, and shall be quiet and at ease, And no one shall make him afraid. 11 'For I am with you,' declares the LORD, 'to save you; For I will destroy completely all the nations where I have scattered you, Only I will not destroy you completely. But I will chasten you justly, And will by no means leave you unpunished.'

Isaiah 11:11-12 Then it will happen on that day (the Second Coming) that the Lord will again recover the Second Time with His hand The remnant of His people, who will remain (from the Tribulation). From Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, And from the islands of the sea. 12) And He will lift up a standard for the nations, And will assemble the banished ones of Israel (the Northern Kingdom), And will gather the dispersed of Judah (the Southern Kingdom) from the four corners of the earth.

The <u>First Time</u> that the Lord recovered His people from the four corners of the earth was when Israel became a nation on <u>May 18, 1948</u> after two thousand years of exile.

The Nation of Israel will not be defeated and driven away from their homeland because the verses above will not allow it. If Israel were to be defeated, they would be dispersed throughout the four corners of the Earth. But the Scriptures say that the Jews will be gathered back to Israel from around the world two times. The first regathering occurred in 1948 and the second regathering from around the world will occur when Jesus Christ returns to earth (at the Second Advent), after the Tribulation. That leaves no room for another regathering of the Jews back to their homeland.