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The Money Masters (video)

(<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid-515319560256183936>) click here

The Money Masters (website)

(<http://www.themoneymasters.com/>) click here

This is the #1 video on Google about money. I believe that this documentary may be able to tell us what "actually" happened and once we know that we may have the solution to fixing this disaster. Whether or not it is fixed as a whole I believe there may also be answers for us as individuals and specifically ministerial Christian's to thrive in this situation economically for the Kingdom. I believe that this is possibly a very IMPORTANT message and very insightful in truth to things that many are totally oblivious to. The website also carries a lot of information.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/16 14:03

Money As Debt (video)

(<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid-9050474362583451279&eiUsVwSZ6yD4nS-AG39qW3BQ&qmoney>) click here

Money as Debt (website)

(<http://www.moneyasdebt.net/>) click here

If you are not able to watch the first extensive video or maybe don't understand it. This video is easier to understand and it is also animated. I do not think it is as striking or complete but may be sufficient. There is also a trailer that is even shorter as an introduction.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/17 8:47

Robert Kiyosaki 2008 predictions (video)

(http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid-7394912320854169271&eiDtlwSfjINJ-G_AHz-5CwBQ&qRobert+Kiyosaki&hlen&dur3) click here

This short video clip is from a main prominent financial advisor. It is in conversation form and was produced more recently in 08 so I think it may be more approachable and relevant in specific senses. It does not however deal with a lot of things that the previous films do.

I thought this would be different., on: 2009/1/17 11:36

In meek and humble respect, I say this: I thought the video presented, as I have only watched the first 10 minutes of the first linked video, (which I must add is 3 hours and 35 minutes) I thought this video would go to the true HEART of why this nation is in dire economic straits, I'll attend to that in a second.

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No. For a mind, carnally canted, it is so easy to blame someone else, to blame "forces" that are unseen, seemingly hidden, with nefarious motives, and levers at their disposal.

The fault lies with US, this whole world. Once we began to drink from the cup of the 'whore of Babylon', a new thing happened in this world. When I say "drink", I do mean a literal drink, a liquid that would set in motion the endtimes, and that "drink" is petroleum.

Some may disagree with me, that's called discussion, but I ask you this, when you can transport a mango, for instance,

thousands of miles, and deliver it fresh at a grocery store for a relatively cheap price, is that not a relatively new occurrence? Is that not ease and luxury? Ask yourself this, the person that cut that mango, and the person that consumes that mango, do they live in similar circumstance?

the answer is no. The person who cuts the mango probably doesn't have clean drinking water readily available, while the person who eats the mango might have central air conditioning, and a nice big TV to watch the filth and garbage that pours out of the many satellites launched by the mango eaters' societal and economic combines. The mango cutter, in their country, what is the infant mortality rate? the average life span? In the mango eater's country, you can rest assured, the medical care is first rate.

Drinking from this cup has given other "little pleasures", such as this, it is now possible for a mango eater to board a jet airplane, and flee their winter climate, fly four hours, land on an island in the Gulf of Mexico, and get whisked off to an "all inclusive" walled resort, where they can eat all the food they want, drink all the alcohol they want, (and they do) and do this for \$1000 dollars for 4 days, while at the same time, those who attend to their every need earn \$10 a day, and are forbidden to accept "tips", and those who vacation at such "all inclusive" resorts are told NOT to tip these people, usually of color and descendants of slaves.

You might think I'm preaching of some sort of secular political polemic, talking about the disparities of wealth throughout the world, I'm not. The disparities of wealth in this world are age old, they are nothing, but what HAS happened is that a great soul pollution has taken place in what is called the "first world", instead of fearing God, which is wisdom, the people of the first world have been seduced by the enemy to making an idol and worshipping that idol, which is wealth, money, ease, comfort luxury, and now, an impatient and angry God is preparing Divine Chastisement for all of us.

All one has to do is to look at the falsehoods of what is called the prosperity ...ahhh, movement, doctrine....whatever hellish name it goes under. Simply put, the people of the world have crafted a golden calf, and no more so, than in our nation, the United States. From birth, all the worldly narratives beamed out at us are to "consume". Saving surplus? NO! Spend it, walk the aisles of the mall, gaze into the shops, dream big, you can have it all, etc. Are you sad? Depressed? Empty? "Don't worry, be happy", "shop till you drop", just make sure you ignore the bound homeless drug fiend, or the widow, or the fatherless, who turn to vicious drug gangs looking so desperately for the love and wisdom of a father and of THE FATHER. Just ignore them all, it'll go away, and you'll be back home, unwrapping your latest "purchase"...a wide screen TV? a spa? a nice big SUV?

Let's go a little deeper now, mankind in his feckless and arrogant behavior decides to play "god" and crafted a weapon that for a millisecond mimics the power of the sun....but just for a millisecond. Now the men who worked on this weapon, the atomic bomb, didn't do it from an evil desire, they were working against what they saw as a great evil, the satanic war machine of Hitler, but he was dead before they tested this weapon, and to save a million American boys, we laid it on the Japanese...the war was over, but the evil genie had been let out of the bottle.

So now today, we have three wicked worldly elements at work, the worship of wealth, the use of a declining resource that props up this wealth, petroleum, and the lust of the sons of Ishmael to ALSO have this wonderful weapon, this evil genie, nuclear weapons technology.

and to further stir this demonic brew, where does most of this petroleum lay?

right in the heartlands of the sons of Ishmael.

Take these three "ingredients", and watch and fear how the Hand of the Lord will stir.

No, it's not "international bankers" or "trilateralists", or whatever trim buzzword that a corrupt fleshly mind can concoct...oh no, such has been prophesied by men being swept along by the Lord, IN HOLY SCRIPTURE, it is us, all of us, and the only "Thing" that can save us is Jesus, and Faith in Him.

Everything else is white noise, everything else is the spew of demons, designed to replace Faith with fear, including such video's you have linked, they are lies. The problem lays within the unrepentant heart, the unrepentant world, greedy and grasping for that last little taste of fleshly luxury, may God burn it all up like straw and hay, and He will, you can count on that.

But you can also count on Jesus, you can rest in Jesus, Saviour of the world, Lamb of God, Messiah, Bride Groom,

Light of the world....or you can believe in the fear mongering spew of such offerings. I say that in no offense to you who posted it.

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and this is what I am to receive as an edifying video?

Sir, maam, is this your testimony on this website? I ask you that in all meekness.

satan is now desperate, his end is near, he labors harder and harder, dont help do his work, Worship God only, and dont rely on the testimony of wicked and depraved minds.

edited by poster, on: 2009/1/17 11:38

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Re: - posted by rookie (), on: 2009/1/17 12:19

Brother wrote:

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profit?

Whether it is oil or food or water the banking system has first position in all matters.....

In Christ
Jeff

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/17 15:56

Natan,

Quote:

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I am sorry for your confusion. I tried to point out that it was mainly of secular things in the natural. I wrote answer to economic crisis, it is about money, prominent financial adviser, and so forth. I can see where you might have thought something else though.

In writing about secular things I was also writing about spiritual things since I believe they are to certain degrees tied together and are effectual one upon the other. So in the end I was really writing about spiritual things or at least that was my aim.

I do understand that the main reason for judgment and so forth is in our relation to God. I was merely speaking within the specific sphere of natural things. I was saying that it may be the natural reason and answer for the circumstance.

Lastly, I am not sure that the condition in the US or the world for that matter is specific judgment from God. I do believe that God judges but I see a difference between general and specific judgment. The general judgment would be from the curse that originated with Adam. Within this could be weather catastrophes, economic woes, and other birth pangs. The specific judgment would be when God looks down on a certain region and says they have done this and that and then judges them. I am not saying that this is the case with the US I am just saying that I am not sure. I am not convinced that it necessarily has to be. I know that there will be a great city with great riches that will last even to the end and I do not believe it is the end of the end yet.

Quote:

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It is a long film but I think it is worth it or else I would not have posted it. I also had a hard time focusing and understanding it. This is why I had to watch it multiple time and still need to a couple more. I think it is good though many films are shallow but this is a diligent and deep documentary. So it is relative more so to our culture but I am happy to have a resource that is scholarly for educational purposes. It was originally packaged in multiple DVDs as sessions. Also I think the nature of a documentary and that the topic is so lofty requires it to be such. And, I think that we should not expect an important message to often be small.

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-----Instead, what I hear in this video is that the "fault" lies with "international bankers" and their waterbearer's the United States Federal Reserve.

You said that the fault is not with the elite but with all of us. I believe this is true in a sense, but I also believe it possible for it to be the leadership's fault. Corrupt government could have been appointed to judge those under it. It is a biblical concept that the rich oppress the poor. History has shown us that often a government has taken advantage of its people.

As for the truth of this topic. Let me say that I said it "may" be true. It is my present hypothesis that it is possibly so.

From my understanding though somewhat substantially limited here is how I think I see things:

The government gave out money too easy. The bankers gave out too much money. The people took more money than they could pay. The housing bubble burst and it left us with great debt. This then effected all the other things and the economy in general. We tried a stimulus but it was spent wrongly and no one really knows where it went. And now we are planning on spending more when that is the very thing that got us in trouble yet there may be some hope of turn around. Presently we are trillions of dollars in debt and plan to be more so. When more money is spent the dollar will inflate and if the stimulus does not work we will be in very big trouble financially. There may be even a lot more money given out. So we should possibly change our paper money into gold as a hedge and investment since if the dollar inflates it will be worth nothing and gold is somewhat stable and rises in time of turmoil.

Quote:

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I in some sense and to some degree believe in a prosperity doctrine. I do not believe it in the classic sense. I believe that the Lord can bless us financially as exploits for the ministry and not for ourselves. This is why I am writing about money because I think it is importance for the use of ministry.

I at one point thought that if I wanted to be Apostolic that I had to be poor. This is true in a sense but I also believe that making tents and working so that we will be able to help others also it important. In light of that I am trying to edify the Church by presenting a possibly answer wisdom to do so in such a time as this.

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Before my conversion I was uneducated. In my early stages of Christianity I was becoming zealous educated in spiritual things. As time progressed I started to become interested in secular things like government and the economy especially in light of the last days, Israel, and persecution. I was at first without any certain position in parties. I then leaned toward Conservative Republican. I watched the news, had moral ethics, and so forth. I later came upon the teachings of the New World Order, conspiracies, and the Constitutionalist Libertarian party. I researched the Ron Paul, Alex Jones, Loose Change, Zeitgeist. Due to the fact that I was relatively new to this and very limited in understanding I took my time. As I studied into it somewhat thoroughly I came to understand that some of it was true, some false, and some I am not sure of. I mainly turned from it because of their views on Israel believing that they are in the land as a coup. So because of my Biblical foundations it gave me clarity to turn from these things but not totally.

When it comes to this documentary the first time I watched it I did not understand a thing. more recently as a significant amount of time has passed I watched it again and was able to comprehend much of it. A lot of the reason that I posted it was to hopefully get some counsel on it.

I am not so sure that this video is specifically blaming Israel. They may or may not but there was no specific mention. As for the man they may have just quoted him because he was a man that many would take his word. I do share your concern with you. I do not want to throw the baby out with the bathwater however. I still need to watch this video a few more times and study more fully. I think Israel could possibly have their hand in some of it for they are not exempt from doing any evil.

Though I am not really ready to write about what the film is about I will attempt to possibly bring some more light to the table. We had gold as money. However we switched over to paper that represents money. The problem is though that th

e paper we have today has nothing backing it. The Federal Reserve is not even the Federal government but a private business like Federal Express. Even the word "reserve" is deceitful because they do not have a reserve. This Federal Reserve is even more powerful than the Federal government and they are in control and they are not even our government. The bankers loan money that they do not even have. We think they have money but they don't really all they are required to have is 10% of it. So really they are saying I will loan you something that is really worth anything and you will pay me interest for it. They are able to give this imagined money on the promise that we will repay. So really we are borrowing from those who are borrowing from us. Now that they have all the power they can inflate the paper dollar whenever they want and ruin everything so that they can buy everything up for cheap and have even more power. We were at one point forced to sell all our gold and then it was purchased away from internationals. The President that did it and other believe what has happened. Therefore what we need to do is get rid of this fake federal reserve become independent and run our own. If things do not change then we should prepare by buying gold now before a great depression comes. This gold will then be worth a lot. I have left out some things like more fully what to do once we rid of the Federal Reserve, a proper critique of the film, and ect.

Re: - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/1/17 21:00

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James 3:3 Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.

What good will buying gold do? How are you going to get rid of the Federal Reserve short of a Revolution?

Neil is correct about the Petroleum.

Regards,
white stone

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/18 10:05

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What good will buying gold do?

First, if the dollar inflates which it may drastically due to debt and lending and creating then gold will possibly be a hedge that will be stable in its worth and keep your money from turning to nothing which in a sense it already is since it is not really backed by anything.

Second, if the dollar inflates and you have gold not only will it be a hedge but it will also be a gain and profiting investment because the worth of gold will probably rise since many will in the case of an inflated dollar buy it up. Much of what dictates the price of gold is supply and demand so if many buy it then it will be worth a lot. And, I have heard that in such a case of an economic depression that its worth will sky rocket. There are also many other advantages to have gold or other precious metals like that fact that you can purchase universally without exchange, you can more easily hide it, and just generally gold has throughout all time been valuable as well as other metals since they cannot be created at least gold cannot.

Third, in response to James 5:3. This verse is not referring to Christians contextually. It is talking about sinful men who a

re proud, self secure, living in luxury, and oppressing the poor.

Even if it were talking about Christian's I am not talking about getting wealth in the same way.

In contrast I am saying get rich "in the Lord's will by His grace" but not to do evil with it or to do it for yourself but to do it for the glory of God in the ministry.

Also, this verse is not saying that they were storing up wealth "for" the last days but "in" the last days. I know that the certain translation you are using says "for" this however is debatable since other translations say "in". I would go with the latter "in" because I can tell by what he is saying and meaning contextually. These sinful men or backslidden whatever Christians were not preparing for the last days. Instead they were secure for you can see where they said we will go to such and such a place for a year and were rebuked for that. And they were unwitting in that they did not know it was the last days and this is why James had to instruct them in the matter.

As I was writing this I had a thought. **It says in Revelation that if we don't have the mark of the beast then we won't be able to buy or sell. However if we don't use the government currency but instead use gold or some other good then we will not be subject to that.**

Lastly, I would like to remark that I found the article on Wikipedia about gold to be helpful:
(<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gold>) click here

Quote:
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I am still in the midst of studying the whole subject myself and so was hopefully hoping that in posting I would be able to converse with those who were more knowledgeable or could edify me in some way. So for instance in this subject I am not quite 100% complete in the matter.

In short I can say that there is a monetary reform act on the Money Masters website:
(<http://www.themoneymasters.com/mra.htm>) click here

But yes, it would take a Revolution. This is not impossible I do not believe. A bad economy and condition may motivate people however and videos such as this may be an educational resource to prep such a reform. I think it is only a law that needs to be passed. I know that Ron Paul said clearly and boldly said that if he were elected that he would abolish it since it is unconstitutional.

Here also are some clear bold statements from previous US Presidents on the topic and if you read the last one it says that a reform like what we are talking has happened before by Presidents or a President:
(<http://www.themoneymasters.com/quotations.htm>) click here

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Yes, I agree with it as I do with much that he has said. I do believe it is the fault of the people but I am not confident that it is not also the fault of the elite. I think oil is only one aspect of the problem though.

Re: - posted by rookie (), on: 2009/1/18 12:41

I have watched the first half of the Money Masters video.

If one has been watching the events of the current financial crisis one will recognize that there are many parallels with the historical documentary given in the Money Masters video.

This reminds me of Solomon's observation given to us by the Holy Spirit....

Eccl 1:

9 That which has been is what will be,
That which is done is what will be done,
And there is nothing new under the sun.

10 Is there anything of which it may be said,
"See, this is new"?

It has already been in ancient times before us.

11 There is no remembrance of former things,
Nor will there be any remembrance of things that are to come
By those who will come after.

The prince of Tyre used money as a means to facilitate the trade of nations. He was a money master. Today is no different....

In Christ
Jeff

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/18 22:40

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Those 2 articles are very interesting. Crazy that you randomly came upon those articles and were able to piece them together.

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Yes, I found it surprising that this video was made years ago and seems to be a strongly paralleling prediction!

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This is an interesting point. It seems that many of us at least in the West think our government could never corrupt in such an extreme fashion yet history teaches us that this has happened all throughout human history and it is bound to repeat itself and even increase as the scriptures state.

Re: - posted by rookie (), on: 2009/1/19 8:31

Today, another article on the oil market.....

Morgan Stanley Hires Supertanker to Store Oil in Gulf

By Alaric Nightingale

Jan. 19 (Bloomberg) -- Morgan Stanley hired a supertanker to store crude oil in the Gulf of Mexico, joining Citigroup Inc. and Royal Dutch Shell Plc in trying to profit from higher prices later in the year, two shipbrokers said.

The ship is the Argenta, capable of carrying more than 2 million barrels, Paris-based Barry Rogliano Salles and Athens-based Optima Shipbrokers said in reports today. Morgan Stanley officials in London didn't immediately reply to three phone messages seeking comment.

Banks and commodity traders are seeking new ways to make money after the Standard & Poor's 500 Index fell by the most since 1937 last year and crude oil prices dropped more than \$100 a barrel from their peak. Companies including Koch Industries Inc. and BP Plc are hoarding enough crude at sea to supply the world for almost a day.

"It's a window of opportunity that won't last long," Gareth Lewis-Davies, a London-based energy analyst at Dresdner Kleinwort Group, said by phone. There may only be four or five banks with the expertise to make the trade, he said.

Frontline Ltd., the world's biggest owner of supertankers, said Jan. 14 about 80 million barrels of crude oil are being stored in tankers, the most in 20 years. A purchaser could buy oil now, keep it for months at sea and fetch better prices by selling futures that are higher than the spot price.

The so-called contango pricing structure in oil has been caused by excess supply as demand slows and speculation that output cuts by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will reduce the glut later this year.

Crude Grades

The easiest types of oil to buy for the trade are likely to be either West Texas Intermediate or the North Sea grades Brent, Forties, Oseberg or Ekofisk. That's because they are the ones used to settle the most-traded futures contracts.

Other oils, such as those from the Middle East and Africa, are usually bought and sold at prices related to the main European and U.S. grades. Because those prices fluctuate, it means traders assume an extra risk by hoarding them.

Phibro LLC, Citigroup's commodities trading unit, has the 1 million-barrel carrier Ice Transporter stationed off north Scotland and also hired the supertanker Ashna to store. Shell, Europe's largest oil company, booked two supertankers.

"From a tanker owner's perspective, this is a little gift from heaven," Finn Engelsen, managing director of Lorentzen & Stemoco AS, an Oslo-based shipbroker and consultant, said by phone from Oslo today.

Morgan Stanley hired its tanker at \$68,000 a day, the two brokers said. That works out at \$1.02 a barrel a month, based on a 2 million-barrel cargo. Benchmark U.S. oil futures are trading at an average of \$3.65 more than the previous month between February and June.

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Oil will be a crisis issue in the near future. Those who manipulate or speculate on oil will profit. The poor and down trodden will suffer....

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Jam 5:4 Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: a nd the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.

Jam 5:5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaught er.

Jam 5:6 Ye have condemned killed the just; he doth not resist you.

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In Christ
Jeff

Re: The REASON for and the ANSWER to the economic crisis!!!??? (important documentary - posted by sojourner7 (),

Man in the vanity of his imagination may think he has the solution to this financial crisis. Isn't that the problem to begin with?? Man relying upon his own wisdom. Prophecy tells us a financial collapse is imminent; because this nation has forgotten the four little words we engrave on all our currency; IN GOD WE TRUST!!

Re: For the time being ONLY - posted by White_Stone (), on: 2009/1/19 10:40

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I see it as this Nation has turned down a terrible path that is leading to the complete removal of the very mention of God' s name.

Financial loss is the least of it's worries.

Jesus alone can save us.

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-----Matthew 10: 28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy bo th soul and body in hell.

From Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Bible, "Be the times never so difficult, enemies never so outrageous, and ev ents never so threatening, yet need we not fear, yet will we not fear, though the earth be removed, while we have so goo d a God, so good a cause, and so good a hope through grace. . . . Yes, this is soon said; but when it comes to the trial, racks and tortures, dungeons and galleys, axes and gibbets, fire and faggot, are terrible things, enough to make the stou test heart to tremble, and to start back, especially when it is plain, that they may be avoided by a few declining steps; an d therefore, to fortify us against this temptation, we have here, good reason against this fear, taken from the limited pow er of the enemies; they kill the body, that is the utmost their rage can extend to; hitherto they can go, if God permit them,

but no further; they are not able to kill the soul, nor to do it any hurt, and the soul is the man. By this it appears, that the soul does not (as some dream) fall asleep at death, nor is deprived of thought and perception; for then the killing of the body would be the killing of the soul too. The soul is killed when it is separated from God and his love, which is its life, and it is made a vessel of his wrath; now this is out of the reach of their power. Tribulation, distress, and persecution may separate us from all the world, but cannot part between us and God, cannot make us either not to love him, or not to be loved by him."

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-----Amos 8:11 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD: 12 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it. 13 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.

Our duty to to spread the Gospel, it is needed more than food or water. People are dying without proper nourishment. Turn them towards Jesus and the worry of the financial losses will be as nothing. (I am NOT saying God will bless you or them with money but with the peace of mind gained from leaning on Him for everything.)

Am I making any sense? Maybe a short recap, I do not worry about anything that is happening but I do watch it as one would watch the sky to determine if it will be a gentle rain or a fierce storm. I see no shelter from the economic storm BUT in Jesus. There is no shelter from the loss of morals in this world except in His Words. He has the words of Life if we will only listen.

Kind regards,
white stone

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/19 13:07

Rookie,

Quote:
-----Today, another article on the oil market.... Morgan Stanley Hires Supertanker to Store Oil in Gulf By Alaric Nightingale Jan. 19 (Bloomberg) -- Morgan Stanley hired a supertanker to store crude oil in the Gulf of Mexico, joining Citigroup Inc. and Royal Dutch Shell Plc in trying to profit from higher prices later in the year, two shipbrokers said. The ship is the Argenta, capable of carrying more than 2 million barrels, Paris-based Barry Rogliano Salles and Athens-based Optima Shipbrokers said in reports today. Morgan Stanley officials in London didn't immediately reply to three phone messages seeking comment. Banks and commodity traders are seeking new ways to make money after the Standard & Poor's 500 Index fell by the most since 1937 last year and crude oil prices dropped more than \$100 a barrel from their peak. Companies including Koch Industries Inc. and BP Plc are hoarding enough crude at sea to supply the world for almost a day. "It's a window of opportunity that won't last long," Gareth Lewis-Davies, a London-based energy analyst at Dresdner Kleinwort Group, said by phone. There may only be four or five banks with the expertise to make the trade, he said. Frontline Ltd., the world's biggest owner of supertankers, said Jan. 14 about 80 million barrels of crude oil are being stored in tankers, the most in 20 years. A purchaser could buy oil now, keep it for months at sea and fetch better prices by selling futures that are higher than the spot price. The so-called contango pricing structure in oil has been caused by excess supply as demand slows and speculation that output cuts by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries will reduce the glut later this year. Crude Grades The easiest types of oil to buy for the trade are likely to be either West Texas Intermediate or the North Sea grades Brent, Forties, Oseberg or Ekofisk. That's because they are the ones used to settle the most-traded futures contracts. Other oils, such as those from the Middle East and Africa, are usually bought and sold at prices related to the main European and U.S. grades. Because those prices fluctuate, it means traders assume an extra risk by hoarding them. Phibro LLC, Citigroup's commodities trading unit, has the 1 million-barrel carrier Ice Transporter stationed off north Scotland and also hired the supertanker Ashna to store. Shell, Europe's largest oil company, booked two supertankers. "From a tanker owner's perspective, this is a little gift from heaven," Finn Engelsen, managing director of Lorentzen & Stemoco AS, an Oslo-based shipbroker and consultant, said by phone from Oslo today. Morgan Stanley hired its tanker at \$68,000 a day, the two brokers said. That works out at \$1.02 a barrel a month, based on a 2 million-barrel cargo. Benchmark U.S. oil futures are trading at an average of \$3.65 more than the previous month between February and June. Oil will be a crisis issue in the near future. Those who manipulate or speculate on oil will profit. The poor and down trodden will suffer....

Wow. I wonder where you find this stuff.

Oil is liquid gold and right now it is escalating.

This article goes along with one of the points of the Money Masters Documentary in that they are seeking to inflate the price of oil by hoarding it and in the same way the documentary states that the Federal Reserve or whomever is in power of the currency can inflate the dollar and then when no one can pay for anything they buy it all up for cheap and gain even more power.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/19 13:23

Sojourner,

Quote:
-----Man in the vanity of his imagination may think he has the solution to this financial crisis. Isn't that the problem to begin with?? Man relying upon his own wisdom. Prophecy tells us a financial collapse is imminent; because this nation has forgotten the four little words we engrave on all our currency; IN GOD WE TRUST!!

So from what you have written I believe you are saying that the US economic crisis is judgment from God and can only be fixed if America repents and turns to God and trusts Him and not themselves and that prophecy has told us that this would happen.

I agree that in general the bad things which happen to mankind are judgments from God. I am not sure however if you can say that this was a specific judgment from God. For there have been many evil nations who have had power and wealth. If a nation could get rich from obedience from God would this not be the prosperity gospel?

I also do not think that prophecy specifically stated that this would happen. I know that birth pangs will increase and crescendo during the tribulation and that one of these things will be famine and such but this does not mean that there will not be rich countries or at least cities. For we read of the rich merchants and the great city. So America could remain rich in the last days.

Also, I am not trying to say that what I have presented here in this thread is the "main" answer or reason only that it may be one. I am speaking more from the natural side of things. I believe this ties in with spiritual things however and so I have posted it.

My main post was not to say that we need the US to get rich. I think that it may be good for the US to have power instead of other nations like Iran or China. If a Christian lived in Germany during the time of Hitler and knew it then they should speak up.

I know that the main way to fix this is not what I have here written. I however think it extreme to say that we should do nothing. I think that it may be good for us to instruct the US so that they are not oppressed by the rich through manipulation. And most specifically I think it good for Christians to be prepared and to have wisdom as to thrive in this economic situation for the provision of ministries.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/19 13:35

Whitestone,

Quote:
-----I see it as this Nation has turned down a terrible path that is leading to the complete removal of the very mention of God's name.

This could be true but disobedience to God in this age does not mean you will not be rich nor does the US turning mean that they will become rich. The US is not Israel.

Quote:
-----Financial loss is the least of it's worries.

This is true but this does not mean that it does not matter at all for if the US loses power it may go to worse power and people ought to a degree care about their livelihood. And my main point is not for the US to be rich but to not be overrun by the corrupt elite.

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I agree that we as Christian ought not to worry and that the world ought not to as well but to trust in God but I want to make it clear that I am not saying that we should fear but that we should to some degree be practical.

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-----Our duty to to spread the Gospel, it is needed more than food or water. People are dying without proper nourishment. Turn them towards Jesus and the worry of the financial losses will be as nothing.

I strongly agree with part of this statement but I also believe that part of our ministry is also providing for the practical we are to be zealous for good works and true and undefiled religion is this that we care for the widow and the orphan.

Even those who trust God and have financial problems it is not as nothing. Even when we are trusting we are to be fervently praying and it is not easy though we have peace and grace.

Lastly, again my point is not to say that the main thing we need is for the US to prosper. Nor am I saying that this is not judgment. But I think that we ought to seek good unless we are sure that it is "specific" judgment. And that we as Christians ought to be wise and thrive financially in this situation for the good of the Kingdom in the Lord's will.

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Yes I clearly understand what you are saying and I believe all of it except for that which I believe you have polarized to one side of the spectrum.

As for shelter in the economic storm I believe that Jesus is our shelter but I also believe that we may also be able to find a way through practical knowledge to be stewards financially.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/19 18:33

The Energy Non-Crisis by Lindsey Williams (video)
(<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid3340274697167011147>) click here

Threatened by billionaire causes him to use discretion (video)
click here

Recently saying Russia has found major oil that will shift power (video)
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v4ZhXfw1e_Zc&featurerelated) click here

I wonder if it is by providence that I came upon this video. I saw it on the Google video home page featured as one of the most frequently and recently viewed. It is a testimony from a **Baptist Missionary** named (<http://www.reformation.org/energy-non-crisis.html>) Lindsey Williams who gives his first hand account of his experience with the elite in the oil industry and in the world. He says some very lofty and serious things here that I think ought to at least be heard. If you would like to know what the message is about before watching it just click on his name. As for the second link it is to a video that says he was threatened by a billionaire due in part to the fact that his video was number one on Google video for quite a while.

p.s. Rookie, I think you might find this especially interesting let me know if you are able to listen to it!

Jeff...regarding crude oil storage, on: 2009/1/19 20:23

I am no apologist for Merrill Lynch, but I don't see anything nefarious about them purchasing 2 millions barrels of crude and then looking to store it. Believe me, in a world that consumes 85 million barrels of crude a DAY, 2 million barrels is hardly manipulation, what they are doing is looking for CURRENCY, they are making a commercial decision, that spot market crude oil in the 35-45 dollar barrel range is a great intermediate term purchase, as it DRAMATICALLY undervalued at this price.

How do I know this? Well, the poster "anon" and yourself and others have noticed that the Fed is desperately trying to monetize its way out of this mess, right? For instance, in just Oct 08 alone, the FED's M1,M2, and M3 measures of money supply rocketed up 314%, that means they're printing money out of thin air, which in time will degrade the dollar...soooooo, if you can buy 2 million barrels of crude with 70 million 2009 US PAPER dollars (crude at 35 a barrel) its not much different than an average citizen, taking two thousand PAPER dollars(of savings) and buying 100 American Silver Eagle one ounce coins for \$20 a piece, and storing them in a home safe.(dont pay attention to the listed price of silver at \$11 an ounce, the real world price is somewhere between \$15 and 25)

The question is, what is real currency? as far as this world is concerned. It's THINGS. Whether it be crude oil stored in bunker storage, or corn stored in a bin, or ounces of silver stored in a home safe, etc, etc. tangible assets are the thing, not stocks, or bonds, or anything paper denominated.

and I utterly refute this viewpoint that there is this secret cabal of "money masters", "international bankers", or "elites", so we call them the "illuminati"...whatever, what turned me off in a second, from this "Money Masters" video, is I've heard that at all before and its intellectually and spiritually bankrupt, especially when the first man quoted in this video is an infamous anti-semitic Congressman from the early 1900's.McFadden. That's when you lose me.

Not because I refuse to "face the truth", but because its intellectually weak-kneed to conjure up some unknown, murky cabal of "elites" and to attach blame to this shadowy group, for the financial problems of this world.

The MAIN and only problem in this world is SIN. I'm not confining this declaration to sins of the flesh, or the individual, or one button issues of the extent of sin, whether it be gay marriage, abortion, etc, NO, this world is SIN SICK, whether it be murdering babies, abortion, or war death, or greed, or watching your neighbor's wife in a covetous unclean manner, or rank corruption whether it be in the pulpit, the statehouse, the Whitehouse, your house, my house, or ..or ..or ...or. This world is in the grips of sin, plain and simple, and there is no vast group of elites, there are just lost people. I dont care whether they are worth billions or no millions, they are lost, scattered helpless sheep in need of Savior, and the simple fact is, that God Almighty let the "god of this age" loose to "run things"...run the systems of this world, and look what we have.a sin sick world.

But HalleLuYah, what did He do? I know I'm preaching to the choir brother, but God put His Only Son, Jesus Christ up on the Cross, and He is sufficient, His Blood is sufficient to cleanse the most heinous and unrepentant sinner.

I believe God. I believe God when He told me that He sent His Son, the Messiah of the world to the Sacrifice for my sins. I believe God. I revere God, I fear God, I love God, and I pray that this most Holy Faith be a simple one.

Sorry for the sermon, just making my lil own confession, dont mean to be contentious. I'm postively tired of all the contention, all the divisiveness about arguing "religion", arguing dogmatic doctrine, all that.

I believe God, and He gave me two eyes, and He gave me His Indwelling Holy Spirit, and i can see the problem of this world is that its sin sick, period....and sometimes so am i, but Glory to God, I place my hope, my trust, my faith in Jesus, and He is all i need.

(ps, that's why I dont trade anymore)

(pps....I found Rinaldi Pasta Sauce on sale for 99 cents a bottle, and bought two cases, think I'll inflate the price?.....I'm TEASING you, laugh with me)

Marantha.

neil

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/20 10:17

Natan,

In saying that the claim that the bankers are inflating oil paralleled with those inflating the dollar I was not necessarily saying that it was true in reference to the oil. I too was not fully persuaded evidentially by the articles. So please do not allow this to discredit me in context of my ability to understand things.

Once again I am not sure that one bad apple on a documentary can disprove the whole thing. It is possible that they quoted him mainly for his position and reputation. Also I do not believe that Israel is perfect and so they can do bad things. I can say that not once was Israel mentioned throughout the documentary.

As for your counter to the corruption of banks and so forth I am not so sure you can make these if you have not thoroughly studied the matter. I am not sure that you haven't or to what degree but I do know that you have not watched the film yet seem to be saying a lot about it.

If this reference to this man bothers you so much which it does to me but I also think that one can be extreme then I have posted another video. This one in contrast is from a baptist missionary who had first hand dealing with the oil companies and speaks about their manipulation of the industry and how that in many ways controls the world. So I believe that this is a more factual testimony on the whole oil subject and so would like to know your stance after seeing that.

Not once throughout this whole thread nor anywhere in the documentary is the "illuminati" mentioned. I am not saying that this illuminati is of consequence. The things spoken of here are mainly about the financial elite and their role in the world. So I think this to be a more factual thing than fanciful. I do not think it such a high thing to believe there are such men in power who seek to control things behind the scenes. The question often to me is not if but to what degree. I am also not trying to cast all blame on them I do believe the people are at fault and will be judged but I also believe that there are rich men who are also at fault and that they should be exposed.

In the end it seems you have tried to reject this subject and discredit it based on false assumptions and side issues and so forth. I would also like to say that I agree with your exhortation to not be divisive and that it is wearying. It seems like the wars among us are similar to those in the world. I am only coming to you in conversation and hope that you can accept it as such. And, lastly I am still learning much about all these things and so have posted in hopes to glean from others and I do not believe that I have said anything falsely but have been reasonable in my actions thus far.

p.s. So for clarity's sake at first we were talking about how currency can be inflated by creating it. Now we are talking about how oil can be inflated by hoarding it. And, I think that the video "The Energy Non-Crisis" lays out more thorough factual argument than the previous partial articles.

anon, on: 2009/1/20 14:49

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You and I don't know each other, we don't know what the other knows. What experiences we've had, the jobs we've worked, etc etc.

Understand this, I am not assuming anything about your character, or your intellectual acumen, or your curiosity, nothing like that, at all.

Right now, I just want to address Mr. Williams video. and I'm going to talk about the art of interrogation first. (I beg forgiveness for anyone reading this, that I'm speaking of something that is OF the world) Much has been bandied forth about coercive interrogation techniques, ie.. "waterboarding" and other various forms of "torture".

we know that, we've read of it, etc.

The best interrogators never use violent methods. The first thing a really good interrogator does is to know his subject, and his subjects worldview, and in the case of radical jihadis, know their theological views, and their theology, ie...multiple readings of the Koran, knowing the history of the region, being fluent in Pashtun, or whatever Arabic language the subject

ct speaks.

Then when your in the room, you just start a conversation, very low key. Once a sort of repoire has been established, you then turn into a listener, and a man who has been held in isolation, his tendency is to crave this interaction, no matter how he views you. When he knows that YOU know, HIS world, he begins to look forward to these "conversations".

That when he starts to "spill".

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The first was a statement he made, and I'm paraphrasing, he said the United States "made the decision in the 1960's it was going to control the world through oil".

Just that one statement alone, tipped me off that he didnt have a handle on what he was talking about, and let me explain.

From Sep 1, 1939 until Dec 7, 1941, FDR knew that the US would have to face a war in Europe against Hitler, and possibly the Soviets. (who signed a pact with Hitler, dividing up Poland)
But FDR faced an enormous hurdle, an American public that had no wish to sacrifice blood and treasure in yet another nasty euro war.

The US began to tool up though, a military build-up, "lend lease to the UK".

Hitler, the idiot corporal he was, of course turned on the Soviet Union, and invaded the Soviet Union on June 22, 1941. Mind you, at that time, all that stood against Hitler was a weakened England, and now a Soviet Union crumbling in face of a massive nazi invasion.

FDR had to act and quickly, the reason being is that if Hitler was smart, he would drive towards the Causcaus oil fields of Russia, and then further south he was making his way towards the Persian Gulf, after all, this new style of warfare, "blitzkrieg" required vast amounts of petroleum, as you know, blitzkrieg involved owning the air, attacking enemy armored and infantry forces by the air, concentrated armor assaults, followed by infantry, it was a new style of warfare.

On 23 June 1941 - one day after Hitler's attack on Russia - Secretary of the Interior and FDR's advisor Harold Ickes wrote a memo for the President in which he pointed out "that there might develop from the embargoing of oil to Japan such a situation as would make it not only possible but easy to get into this war in an effective way. And if we should thus indirectly be brought in, we would avoid the criticism that we had gone in as an ally of communistic Russia".

Japan, who was allied, quite foolishly with the nazi's, had no national oil supply of their own. (I say "foolishly allied" with the nazi's, because if you look at the geography, what could Germany "do" for the Japanese in a tactical sense?...nothing)

Japan, in its imperial aspirations made a mistake, they invaded Southeast Asia, which gave FDR his opening which was to freeze all Japanese assets in the US, and embargo their oil supply from what was then the Dutch East Indies on July 25th, 1941. at his point allow me to quote what happend next: (for my fingers sake..lol)

From that moment on Japan faced an existential threat from the United States, a threat that could not be averted by peaceful means short of abdicating its status as a great power and visibly losing face - an utter impossibility.

On 24 September 1941 Washington deciphered a message from the Naval Intelligence Headquarters in Tokyo to Japan's consul-general in Honolulu, requesting grid of exact locations of U.S. Navy ships in the harbor. Commanders in Hawaii were not warned. U.S. naval intelligence had cracked the Japanese naval codes one year earlier, enabling FDR to receive translations of all key messages.

On 18 October Harold Ickes noted in his diary: "For a long time I have believed that our best entrance into the war would be by way of Japan." Yet Japan had to be made to fire first: on October 22 opinion polls revealed that 74 percent of Americans opposed war with Japan, and only 13 percent supported it.

On November 25, 1941, Secretary of War Stimson wrote in his diary that FDR said an attack was likely within days, and wondered "how we should maneuver them into the position of firing the first shot without too much danger to ourselves":

In spite of the risk involved, however, in letting the Japanese fire the first shot, we realized that in order to have the full support of the American people it was desirable to make sure that the Japanese be the ones to do this so that there should remain no doubt in anyone's mind as to who were the aggressors.

On November 26 Secretary of State Hull issued a provocatively worded note - an ultimatum, really - demanding the complete withdrawal of all Japanese troops not only from French Indochina but also from China. According to the Army Investigating Board's Pearl Harbor report (1945), U.S. Ambassador to Japan Grew called this "The document that touched the button that started the war." The Japanese reacted on cue: On December 1, final authorization was given by the emperor, after a majority of Japanese leaders advised him the Hull Note would "destroy the fruits of the China incident, endanger Manchukuo and undermine Japanese control of Korea."

Also on November 26 Washington ordered both US aircraft carriers, the Enterprise and the Lexington, out of Pearl Harbor "as soon as possible." This order entailed stripping Pearl Harbor of 50 planes, or 40 percent of its already inadequate fighter protection. On the same day Cordell Hull issued his ultimatum demanding full Japanese withdrawal from Indochina and all China.

On December 1, Office of Naval Intelligence, ONI, 12th Naval District in San Francisco found the Japanese fleet by correlating reports from the four wireless news services and several shipping companies that they were getting signals west of Hawaii. As we now know, the ships of the Japanese carrier fleet engaged in daily radio communication with the high command in Japan, military commands in the Central Pacific, and with each other - as Robert Stinnett conclusively established by reading U.S. naval intelligence radio intercepts of the Japanese transmissions. U.S. Navy did not "lose" the carriers.

On 5 December FDR wrote to the Australian Prime Minister that "the next four or five days will decide the matters" with Japan. Later that same day, at a Cabinet meeting, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said, "Well, you know Mr. President, we know where the Japanese fleet is?" "Yes, I know. Well, you tell them what it is Frank," replied Roosevelt. Just as Knox was about to speak Roosevelt appeared to have second thoughts and interrupted him, saying: "We haven't got anything like perfect information as to their apparent destination."

end of quotes, you know what happened next, and even the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor might have been a tactical victory, it was a strategic defeat. The Japanese never got our carriers, and stupidly their pilots FAILED to destroy the true prize at Pearl Harbor, which was the petroleum tank farm containing over 2 million gallons of various fuels, aviation gas, ship fuel, etc. They were idiots, children playing at war, if they had thought it out, the tank farm was target one, followed by a multi-divisional land invasion of the Hawaiian Islands. Think about that. No more Pacific Fleet base at Pearl, it would have tied up numerous divisions stationed on the West Coast in America, to counter what would be the perceived next move of the Japanese, invasion of the US, which they never could have pulled off, but still, we would have had to mount our attack from West Coast Naval ports, and that would have been a huge hill to climb. The President took a gamble, and it paid off, but my point is this, long before the "1960's", we realized on a strategic basis that oil is the THING, not the 1960's, and its not about "controlling people", its about what is called the "vital interests" of the United States.

So just that one sentence from Mr Williams alone, tipped me off, that he wasn't looking DEEPER, that he's an intellectual lightweight looking to sell books, looking for lecture fees. I'm not denigrating the kernel of truth to all this....no, I'm denigrating the messenger, because like the men he professes to expose, HE has an agenda, it's not to "help" you or I...think about it. If there is this POWERFUL evil cabal, this gang of elites, whom have put him in "fear of his life", what is he instilling INTO YOU with this "information"?

Fear.

Because what are YOU going to do with this info? You want to revolt? He's already told you how all powerful and wired in these "elites" are, in the name of "truth", so are you ready to die?

Why do you think the Apostle Paul wrote, as swept along by God, in Romans 13, to be in submission to authorities?

What was happening in Israel at that time? Much dissent and foment, the land was held by the empire of Rome, yet there were bands of zealots ready and willing to take on Rome in armed rebellion, and in 66 AD (or 64 I'm going off the top my head), they started a war against Rome that ended rather badly, Jerusalem razed to the ground, and the last band of zealots taking a last stand at Masada, where over 900 zealots killed themselves the night after the Romans breached the wall.

But what about the followers of Jesus? They weren't part of that. Their "revolution" was different, and it turned the world upside down.

I'm not saying to be a fool, or to be unaware, or to be blindly ignorant, or to be unprepared for "times such as this", I'm saying, be cool. Be very wary about who you listen to, and what you take as "truth", or who you "follow", what directions they pull you into, if they pull you into fear, they ARE NOT of God.

Of course, it is wise to prepare, it is wise to perhaps buy silver, in the recognizing that our currency is becoming debased, it is wise to follow Jesus' advice to "sell your cloak, and buy a sword", but it is also wisdom to recognize that wolves will fall into the ranks of the elect, spilling out perverse thoughts, and leading followers astray.

There was one last thing that I wanted to underline, that Mr Williams said that kind of made me think he wasn't "all that". He spoke of a operative who told him that we baited Saddam Hussein into invading Kuwait, and I was WAITING for him to bring out the ONE NAME of a person who you can see met with the Iraqi President 4 days before the Iraqi invasion, and that name is April Glaspie, ambassador to Iraq at the time. Google that name along with Saddam, you'll see. Mr Williams never mentioned that encounter, which was a very very important meeting in the light of history.

Let me finish by saying this, as followers of Jesus, I believe that instead of fixating on "Rome", or worrying about defending the "temple in Jerusalem", our hearts and our souls should be at the "Church in Antioch". Of course I'm speaking in metaphors, the Ekklesia in Antioch was so apostolically anointed, it takes my breath away in wonder at the Love and the Mercy of God, and the TRUE power of the Holy Spirit, and our Messiah Jesus..

anyway, God bless you, have a good day, in His love, Neil (sorry for the long post)

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Thanks for taking the time to watch it. I want to say first of all that I appreciate your effort in response.

Truly, I do not know much as I have wasted a lot of my youth educationally before I became a Christian.

I have been for some while looking into these things. I have seen some notable things and some things that ought to be examined at the very least.

I will respond to your post in part to the best that I can at this point. I hope in time to study these subject more thoroughly and so in time hope to bring a more clear and knowledgeable statement on the matter. So, this is only partial

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...my point is this, long before the "1960's", we realized on a strategic basis that oil is the THING, not the 1960's, and it's not about "controlling people", it's about what is called the "vital interests" of the United States.

So just that one sentence from Mr Williams alone, tipped me off, that he wasn't looking DEEPER, that he's an intellectual lightweight...

I don't remember exactly what he said. I think he may have been speaking more so of the Elite. I think most people think the government is compartmentalized on this subject. I will have to get back to you on this point as I will have to see that context in which he said it and it may be hard to find the time in the video in which he said. That being said I think that even if he were wrong on this point that it would not totally discredit him. I mean many of us are prone to some error or extremes. For often when someone is so moved by some solid fact they often are emotionally swayed to go to extremes like even in Christianity so this could have been the case. So I will try to get back to you. He did however earlier state how after he had written the book that one of the oil men warned him that the oil company was going to try and totally discredit his message just on a couple technical points that he had made wrong so that oil man he said helped him to write it. So he also may not be an expert though he has been upon the subject rigorously for 30 years, but I don't think he claims to be so in a scholarly way but more from an experiential testimonial way in what he has seen and heard.

Quote:
-----looking to sell books, looking for lecture fees. I'm not denigrating the kernel of truth to all this....no, I'm denigrating the messenger, because like the men he professes to expose, HE has an agenda, it's not to "help" you or I...think about it.

It might be hard to say this since first he seems to be a sincere Christian who went to bible college, pastored a Church in Florida, missioned to Alaska as a Chaplain, and also has said that he no longer sells his book due to the threat and has said that he feels called back to the mission field, and I do not believe that he feared in the sense of ungodliness but in wisdom and so has not stopped speaking but just more undercover and with discretion, he also took down his website and videos.

Quote:
-----because like the men he professes to expose, HE has an agenda, it's not to "help" you or I...think about it. If there is this POWERFUL evil cabal, this gang of elites, whom have put him in "fear of his life", what is he instilling INTO YOU with this "information"? Fear.

In another one of his videos which I just posted (The Next 12 Months) that was made more recently than last he said in the end, "it does not say and you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you fear but that the truth shall set you free". He also said that we need to get right spiritually and then we would not have fear and that his motive was to help us to understand. He said if we were in Hitler's time would we not want to know, or if we were in the twin towers on 9/11 would we want to know and so on.

I think that one can fear after hearing these things but if they do that is their fault since they are not prepared with the peace of God and a hard message is too much for them.

Quote:

-----Because what are YOU going to do with this info? You want to revolt? He's already told you how all powerful and wired in these "elites" are, in the name of "truth", so are you ready to die? Why do you think the Apostle Paul wrote, as swept along by God, in Romans 13, to be in submission to authorities? what was happening in Israel at that time? Much dissent and foment, the land was held by the empire of Rome, yet there were bands of zealots ready and willing to take on Rome in armed rebellion, and in 66 AD(or 64 I'm going off the top my head), they started a war against Rome that ended rather badly, Jerusalem razed to the ground, and the last band of zealots taking a last stand at Masada, where over 900 zealots killed themselves the night after the Romans breached the wall. But what about the followers of Jesus? they weren't part of that. Their "revolution" was different, and it turned the world upside down.

I understand that the main things we ought to be occupied with is the specific things you mention but I also believe that it would be extreme to not have any dealing in the world.

I say again that if we were in the days of Hitler or in the tower before 911 that we would want to know and want to do something even if we were Christian.

I know we are to submit to authorities but when they go against truth and against that which is right we aren't to submit to them in that.

You ask me would I want to revolt. Well I am still working out exactly what I would want to do and would have to pray about that. I know that there is a monetary reform act. I am not so persuaded toward total passivism however. I know what the main thing is but it is not the only dealing with government and so forth are also part of it. I think it can be paralleled to good works in helping people who may be in great harms way.

Quote:

-----There was one last thing that I wanted to underline, that Mr Williams said that kind of made me think he wasn't "all that". He spoke of a operative who told him that we baited Saddam Hussein into invading Kuwait, and I was WAITING for him to bring out the ONE NAME of a person who you can see met with the Iraqi President 4 days before the Iraqi invasion, and that name is April Glaspie, ambassador to Iraq at the time. Google that name along with Saddam, you'll see. Mr Williams never mentioned that encounter, which was a very very important meeting in the light of history.

I don't really know what you mean by this.

In response I want to again say that I am not complete in this and so will respond in part. I think that it is possible that you are too quick to reject this. One reason I would say this is that it seems you have rejected it on some smaller argument and presumption upon his character. I am still going to look into this further for there are still many things at hand.

I mean what about all the other things that he said. The 200 years worth of oil in Alaska that is unused or in Montana, his prediction that was fulfilled that oil would drastically drop recently, his testimony as a Christian missionary, his contrast to conspirators since he is not basing his teaching on other or even history mainly but on his first hand account, the prediction of the current financial crisis, and so on.

I also recently watched a video that was shorter than the first documentary and more modernized and yet more complete than the second that quoted verbatim all that you said about WW2: (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v__YFnUfYXZk) The Men Behind the Curtain

Or what of all the others who have testified against the financial system like President's themselves were they ignorant or conspirators or with false motive?

If the American people ever allow private banks to control the issue of their currency, first by inflation, then by deflation, the banks...will deprive the people of all property until their children wake-up homeless on the continent their fathers conquered.... The issuing power should be taken from the banks and restored to the people, to whom it properly belongs.

... The modern theory of the perpetuation of debt has drenched the earth with blood, and crushed its inhabitants under burdens ever accumulating. -**Thomas Jefferson**

History records that the money changers have used every form of abuse, intrigue, deceit, and violent means possible to maintain their control over governments by controlling money and its issuance. **-James Madison**

If congress has the right under the Constitution to issue paper money, it was given them to use themselves, not to be delegated to individuals or corporations. **-Andrew Jackson**

The Government should create, issue, and circulate all the currency and credits needed to satisfy the spending power of the Government and the buying power of consumers. By the adoption of these principles, the taxpayers will be saved immense sums of interest. Money will cease to be master and become the servant of humanity. **-Abraham Lincoln**

Issue of currency should be lodged with the government and be protected from domination by Wall Street. We are opposed to...provisions would place our currency and credit system in private hands. **-Theodore Roosevelt**

Despite these warnings, Woodrow Wilson signed the 1913 Federal Reserve Act. A few years later he wrote:

I am a most unhappy man. I have unwittingly ruined my country. A great industrial nation is controlled by its system of credit. Our system of credit is concentrated. The growth of the nation, therefore, and all our activities are in the hands of a few men. We have come to be one of the worst ruled, one of the most completely controlled and dominated Governments in the civilized world no longer a Government by free opinion, no longer a Government by conviction and the vote of the majority, but a Government by the opinion and duress of a small group of dominant men. **-Woodrow Wilson**

Years later, reflecting on the major banks' control in Washington, President Franklin Roosevelt paid this indirect praise to his distant predecessor President Andrew Jackson, who had "killed" the 2nd Bank of the US (an earlier type of the Federal Reserve System). After Jackson's administration the bankers' influence was gradually restored and increased, culminating in the passage of the Federal Reserve Act of 1913. Roosevelt knew this history.

The real truth of the matter is, as you and I know, that a financial element in the large centers has owned the government ever since the days of Andrew Jackson... **-Franklin D. Roosevelt** (in a letter to Colonel House, dated November 21, 1933)

response to "anon" 21 Jan 2009 , on: 2009/1/21 14:07

Thank you dear brother for the response, and please know, even through this somewhat lacking medium, that in NO WAY do I wish to speak with you in any other spirit, than in Jesus' love, and true Christian fellowship. Please know that.

a fine response indeed. Know also that I have nothing against Mister Williams, Chaplain Williams, God bless the man, he's just doing what he HEARS his CALLING is.

That's the salient issue in all our lives trapped in these jars of clay...whats my call?, whats my calling?

and I can only speak for myself, my calling right this second is to remain where I am, and continue what God has graciously bestowed upon me, and to be obedient to His Word, and to discern His Voice, when He DOES speak to me. That's hard. Living in this body of death is hard. My calling is that I'm a working artist, in a city. I make money at it, and God has so graciously canted my heart beat that "things" and "possessions" and "wealth" mean very little to me. Mind you, I don't have a LOT, Praise God, but what I have, Jesus gave me, and I try and use it for His Glory, and His call on my life.

You see, I had a strange young adulthood, in the sense that by the time I was 30, my two main jobs were in intelligence and armed services, and then in the financial sector, the financial sector I was at ground zero, meaning the trading pits. I no longer have any direct link to either, but I can tell you right now, for instance what is happening say in the Frontier Agencies of Pakistan, or the succession issues that face North Korean leadership, I can tell you where the US dollar is trading, the spread between hard red winter wheat and hard red spring wheat, I can tell you where silver and gold are trading

at both on the "board" and in the real world. I can tell you where 30 day Fed Funds are, etc etc. I didnt write that to boast , but to underline that all that knowledge is really NOTHING, its just the dross and hay and stubble of a dying world. But I have the knowledge, even though I make my living in the arts, and the arts themselves are a particulaly challenging environment in that most of the people I know and work with consider the Provisions of Messiah an irrelevancy, they consider the Bible as just something that gathers dust on a bookshelf, if its on the bookshelf at all, may God have mercy on the m.

You know... anon, you write of the "Elites", which is fine, and you capitalize this word, and thats fine too, but the way I see it is this: there are two types of people in this world, no matter their financial standing, there are the Sons of the Light, and the Sons of the Darkness, one serves Jesus, the other serves the devil, its that simple, as the Lord has led me.

The Sons of the Light, (Daughters too..lol) are real, authentic, transparent and filled with the kind of love, only the Holy Spirit can lay up in a yielded heart. From that Love flows a well spring of righteousness (not self righteousness), a well spring of hope and faith and charity. The Hebrew word, t'zaddiq is a righteous man, out of this word is also "t'zedakah", which can be translated as "righteousness", AND charity.

I said that to say this, I've read the Book of Revelations quite a few times, and I dont really need to posit myself into the various theological terms that strive to interpet this wonderful Book, this Revelatory apocalyptic Writing, such as "pre-millianism", or "post-trib", etc, but I know we are in the end times, the signs are clear, you can almost smell the gathering "vultures in the air", you can see the immature buds on the tree, and it is my firm conviction that every Son of the Light, every follower of Jesus keep good ear as to the Call.

Some He will say, "remain in the city", some He will scatter into the countryside, others will go to be with Him, but I pray that when Jesus gives the Call, I can hear Him, and my feeling is that He wants me out of the city, and I wait patient, but He has also spoken to me about the wisdom of such times, and told me cast fear aside. Because when those days come, and if He hasnt taken you, you will be needed to minister to the remnant He so ardently desires, and that ministering might be to be in a position where one can dispense love AND charity.

I'll tell you a funny story, in Feb 2008, my sons mother told me that my precious 12 year old son had come to her in fierce sincerity and told her, "Mama, I want you to get all your money out of the bank NOW, and to put it into silver!" She responded to him, "You've been talking to your father!" We both laughed at this antedote, she knows me well, and she knows that him and I have wide ranging discussions, even though he is now 13, I have always talked to him as a peer, hence he's a bit precocious. I've told him, there will come a day that paper money will be no good, that gold and silver and tangible assets will be currency, and that one must strive to regain the older knowledge of making "things" AND making food, which means a rural life, which means buying land in such an area. I also have told him, those who live to buy STUFF, usually on credit, are headed in a bad way. I've told him the best thing to do is save, and just consume what you need, no thing more. I told him this, not to instill a spirit of fear, but that when the time comes, we may be called upon to have our act together enough to administer T'ZEDAKAH (charity) upon those who are hungry, or ill, or homeless, or in great distress, and THAT is the way we reflect the Love and Mercy of Jesus in a troubled turbulent time, and so by showing this love, we might save a few. Not save them in a physical sense only, but to demonstrate the Perfect Love of Messiah, so that they can come thru the narrow gate into the sheepfold.

That Feb, last year, after my sons mother told me this story about my son's urgings, I took that as a Word from God, ie, from the mouth of babes, and began slowly, steadily and deliberately began to convert paper money savings into silver coinage, every bit, I still maintain a bit of paper currency to take care of bills and thus, but I have obtained a good amount of real currency, as well as gifting my son with a good deal himself, so he can get used to the idea of how to do things in the future. There are other things I have taught him, to trust in the Lord (he asked Jesus into his heart at age 7, when the Holy Spirit spoke to HIM, my son, with no adult urging or pressure) I also taught him things he will need to know in the coming days, things I dont want to unpack on this forum.

All I await now, is my land, and Glory to God, He will give it in His timing. I have faith in Him, I believe Him. I also have dear lifelong friends in the rural area He has called me to, who would eagerly allow me to till acreage should it become necessary, I have good skills at gardening....anyway, I'm starting to blither, so I'll cut this short, by saying that I believe that the main thing a follower of Jesus should be mindful of, is the call.

God bless you richly, neil

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/22 14:28

Natan,

I am delighted by your loving disposition throughout the time I have read of your various posts on various threads even though it is through the internet.

I am also interested and inspired in and by your different qualities that I have noticed as you have written.

For instance your knowledge of the Hebrew language to whatever degree, your elected ethnicity, comprehension of financial terminology, spiritual and prophetic apprehension of the seasons and ones personal relation to God, your experience in trading on ground zero and also the aforementioned intelligence and armed forces.

I don't really know how to format this response but I enjoyed your post thanks for sharing I share a kindred spirit in a lot of the things you have shared from your heart. Thank you and God bless you I sense that when these last times crescent do that we will need to cling to one another in unity and bodily dependence and am glad that the Lord is raising up teammates who are preparing and working unto the same things.

I don't know this may not be your heart and you may not want to focus on financial things emphatically per se. But, I just wanted to ask you if you could share any advice or thoughts that you have specifically in investing.

I am curious as to whether interest rates will drop so as to open up the door for financing?

I know there is real estate but if the US continues to decline then it may not be such a good idea if it stays that way?

As for the stocks market it is so shaky and risky and one would have to know how to invest in a down market? And oil seems to be too hard to get into since you would have to have an oil tanker or if you bought some stock it would be expensive and it seems to drastically fluctuate so much that it may not always be a good hedge as the metals?

Where can one study so as to have the understanding and skill to financially profit and invest with wisdom?

And, I think lastly, since you seem to be akin to the metals. What is the best metal to buy? Where is the best place to buy it? And whatever else I need to know as an ignorant novice or a resource to study? I was told platinum and such is being ignored and so may be good to buy in. I was told that gold is the most popular and out of all the metals it is of the least supply. I was told silver is cheaper to get and that it is being used for many things that are in demand like cell phones so it will be in demand. And, I am not sure about whether coins or bullion are better to buy. What I mean by bullion is that it is in a square molded type shape. And, I am not sure whether dates of coins matter all that much and so on and so on a bit lost in the matter and am seeking understanding...

p.s. I agree wholeheartedly that so much depends upon our personal calling and am just wrestling with the matter.

anon: worldly financial advice/opinion, on: 2009/1/22 16:17

anon: what I'm going to write now has nothing to do with the Deep Things of God, and I hope the moderators will show me some grace, as this is not a forum that is geared to giving financial advice, which I am NOT, I'm only going to say what I believe is the most prudent course, and in no way, would I encourage anyone to take my advice WITHOUT prayer, and hearing from the Lord.

Rather than using the word "invest", I like the word. "prepare".

Quote:

-----I am curious as to whether interest rates will drop so as to open up the door for financing?

Interest rates are LOW right now, the problem is that the "pipes" of credit are frozen. The bailout money, the TARP program money given to the major banking centers is being hoarded by the banks, so as to shore up their balance sheets, which are in dire dire shape. Its not that the banks are being "malicious" per se, its just like any worldly organism, they are acting in their own best interests, instead of the commonweal. They're SCARED, because the hole they dug themselves

was this, they violated sound banking principles, and many banks would do this, (in the past) for every dollar deposited, they would loan out 30...that's the whole problem, so the govt, in panic mode...the Fed I mean is trying to print their way out of this mess.

and it won't work, the dollar will crumble, and to shore it up, real interest rates could go back up to 18% (as in the early 80's), They'll do this to combat inflation, which will be quite evident..late 09, thru 2010 and beyond.

the traditional buy and hold stock mindset won't work, the stock market will bear resemblance to the market of early 1974 to 1982 (or 1932 to the 1950's) kind of a flatlined market, moribund.

I don't own these issues, but the stocks I watch are McDonalds, Krogers, Campbell Soup, Archer Daniels-Midland (ADM) General Mills, Costco and Microsoft. All sound companies, and you see the similarities? Food. If you asked me to pick ONE, it would be McDonalds, but at these levels? I don't know, as me and some of my old cohorts think that we will break 7500 on the Dow, and I think we might trade down to anywhere between 5,000 and 3,200 on the Dow Jones.

at the same time, the commodities markets will have a boom time, BUT, I would NOT recommend to ANYBODY to trade in these markets, simply because A. they are so VOLATILE and B. to do so, would require ALL of your "bandwidth", mental, emotional AND spiritual, that you will have zero left for the Lord. That's why I don't trade futures anymore.

Quote:

-----I know there is real estate but if the US continues to decline then it may not be such a good idea if it stays that way?

the way I see it, the best real estate is rural, a place where you can grow food, A caveat, IF the Lord has you CALLED to a city, stay there. But if He says move, move, and I say that because one thinks of the countryside as a kind of "Bible belt", and oh yes, there are many in the countryside who love the Lord, but I also tell you, that many folks in the rural areas (as everywhere) are lost. I have never seen so many dead dry Lutheran and United Methodist Churches, as when I drive up into north Midwest. (please, no offense to any of my Lutheran or UM brothers and sisters, it kind of reminds me of what at the Hebrides Islands in Scotland must of been like before the 1950's revival..just my read on the situation)

but rural land is good, IF you have the skills to grow food, grain, vegetable, livestock...you know how to make firewood, know how to hunt, and to process game, store food, etc.

Quote:

-----Where can one study so as to have the understanding and skill to financially profit and invest with wisdom?

that takes a lifetime, and I don't really know if it's worth it, because if you asked me, which would I rather study and meditate on, the Bible and all the great writings and history of this Most Holy Faith, OR to study the intricacies of the many financial markets and trading vehicles, etc.....I say, stay with the Bible, and I speak from my experience.

Much as this dear website speaks of the "old paths", my advice would be give certain study on the "old" technologies of life, HOW to make a chair, HOW to clean a chimney, How to safely can vegetables, etc.....you see what I mean? These are all things many of us have forgotten, same way, we in Church have forgotten the importance of the prayer meeting, or even the act of kneeling in the barn all day in prayer, cause that's what the Lord told you to do.

here's something, this is Duncan Campbell speaking of the revival on the rural Scottish Hebrides Islands during the 1950's, I love this testimony as well as all of Duncan Campbell's sermons, if I could be a fifth of the man dear Duncan was in doing the Things of the Lord, I'll die happy:

(<http://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/visit.php?lid1836>) When God stepped Down-pt 1

(<http://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/visit.php?lid1837>) When God stepped Down-pt 2

you'll love these!!! and any of his sermons HERE on SI, God bless you Greg Gordon!!

Quote:

-----What is the best metal to buy? Where is the best place to buy it?

I'm going to tell you what I do; I buy only FIVE types of silver coins, I buy uncirculated pre-1965, dimes, quarters, and both Franklin and Kennedy half-dollars (1964 only in the Kennedys) AND I buy American Silver Eagles, and I buy only in rolls. The coinage from prior to 1965 is 90% silver, the American Silver Eagles are one ounce of .999 silver. Hence a \$10 face value roll of Half Dollars(20 coins) will contain 7.2339 troy ounces of silver, the same with a roll(40 coins) of pre-1965 Washington quarters, which is \$10 face value, a roll of dimes,(50 coins, \$5 face value) pre-1965 will contain 3.617 troy ounces of silver.

here is the website you can calculate the silver value of American coinage:

(<http://www.coinflation.com/>) "Coinflation dot com"

I am NOT a numismatic collector, meaning I don't waste a lot of time on "collecting" coins, all I'm interested in is savings, meaning I regard my purchases as a different way to SAVE, much the same way one would open a passbook savings account. All the coins I buy must be in uncirculated condition, and I TRY and pay only a small premium above their "melt" value, these coins to me represent REAL currency, that's why I stick with silver, and why I mix it up with dimes, quarters and halves, so that in the future, need be, I can either trade, or help. That's why I stay away from gold, because an ounce of gold, say in an American Gold Eagle is worth, this second, about a thousand dollars, how would you divide that up if you had to make a smaller purchase?...and also consider that President Roosevelt banned private gold ownership during the depression in 1933, this of course was reversed, but history always repeats, or is at least a lesson learned. Besides, us everyday folk don't have 2 million to sink into one ounce gold coins.

I buy on Ebay, but buyer BEWARE. I have never been cheated, thank God, but that's because I really look hard at the seller, and ONLY deal with those sellers who have hundreds, if not thousands of successful transactions with at least a 99% favorable rating...plus I pray about it, for wisdom, not for greed, and if I get the slightest leading, "don't", I don't bid.

The trading on Ebay in coins has definitely gotten more intense, and you see a bit less of quality rolls and a lot more junk rolls, people will say "roll of Washington silver quarters 1932-1964", and what that means is you will probably get a roll of smoothed over, dirty, coins, whereas a lot of the quality rolls, the bidding can get fierce.

Let me just give you two "for instance's" of a good trade. If you purchase a roll of brilliant uncirculated 1964 Kennedy halves for say \$110 to 120..that's good, a roll of BU 1961 Franklin halves at \$140 is not bad, there's another seller offering a "buy it now", (meaning no auction) roll of 2008 American Silver Eagles(20 coins, 20 ounces) for \$360, free shipping, that is a good deal, true, it prices the silver at \$18 an ounce, but the futures price of \$11.35 is not real world, the futures market in New York has been manipulated, I don't know the reasoning behind this, but I know it is.

whew! long post, I wrote just to love on you in Jesus' Name, don't...don't take this as a recommendation to do anything, I'm telling you how I handle the resources God has gifted me with, praise His Name!! and apologize to any brothers and sisters for writing so much about the filthy rags of the world, with the codicil that we are IN the world but NOT OF IT!!!

with my eyes on Jesus, neil

ps..I want to go listen to Duncan while I do household chores!!! lol

Re: anon: worldly financial advice/opinion, on: 2009/1/22 17:58

anon...brother, of all the things I wrote in my previous posting, all of it matters very little weighed against the real wealth of the two links I gave you to listen to Duncan Campbell speaking of revival in the Hebrides./.....I'm listening to it as I type, and what dear Duncan testifies to, that is REAL WEALTH...REAL REVIVAL.....God pouring Water on dry ground, and souls coming to Christ!! It's glorious....if only TWO would gather in His Name!!!!

Re: anon: worldly financial advice/opinion - posted by anonymity, on: 2009/1/25 13:50

Natan,

Thanks for all the information. It has been very helpful in giving me a significant increase in clarity and comprehension on the matter.

I can assure you that I do not intend to take anything rashly now do I believe I am prone to be blown around with the wind. I also understand that you are only telling me what you do personally.

As for the whole money thing I do not think it is evil in and of itself. I believe it is the love of money in an incorrect way that is the cause of evil and not the money itself. I mean there is gold in the new Jerusalem.

I actually think that it is a good thing to be zealous for money if it is for the right purposes. I have spent years studying the scriptures full time and so it is not as though I am lacking or lop sided.

I think that often when people who get saved who had sinful lusts for money or certain compromises that they tend to want to throw the baby out with the bathwater. Or those who are very zealous for Apostolic sacrifice often think that money is bad because they see it as the opposite of sacrifice but that is only because they are looking at it wrong. For you can sacrifice yourself in service to gain funds and then use that gain to minister. I think lastly though there are probably other things is that when Christians see false prosperity teachers they in error go to the other extreme of error.

I don't know if you agree with that or not? I once looked at money as a small thing. I once thought of it as sinful or at least those Christians who sought the ministry in the marketplace to be the weaker who were not able to preach and so forth. Now however I think it can be in God's will part of revival and an essential part. I say this for many reasons we can sponsor missionaries, give to the poor, or as Paul says it is better that we are not slaves of men but free to serve God and if we had funds we wouldn't be so bound to the service of men.

I do have a couple questions about a couple things you said in answering my previous questions. Maybe I can pm you or something?

anon-resource for the Kingdom's sake, on: 2009/1/26 16:42

I agree wholeheartedly that resource should and must be used for Kingdom purposes.

and as times grow harder, that resource can be used wisely to reflect the Love of Jesus, whether that resource be financial, that resource be loved spilled to others from a Spirit filled heart, or knowledge that could help others, ie, how do I can tomatoes?, how do I make a chair? as well as having the resource to gift a person with something so simple as a Bible, when they are soaked with worldly fear and have no place to run, other than into the Arms of the Father.....that's where my heart is at, that's what I yearn for.....in Jesus' love