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**Q&A: Pastor Barry Stagner & Mike Golay**  
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**AMIR:** Hey, Shalom and good evening from CONNECT here in the Jezreel Valley in Galilee, in Israel, I'm Amir Tsarfati. And we are, once again, having a wonderful time of *Q&A*. And together with me, as always, Pastor Barry Stagner from

Southern California and Pastor Mike Golay from Minnesota. Shalom, gentlemen, good to see you.

**BARRY:** Shalom, Amir, good to see you.

**MIKE:** Good to see you.

**AMIR:** Mike, you just got back from your one more military service in your airbase. So we're thankful that you're with us. And Pastor Barry, you're busy, busy getting ready for Christmas. You already had several of your Christmas events at your church. And I bet you this past Sunday was also in the Christmas spirit, am I right?

**BARRY:** It was, absolutely. We've got a Christmas Eve service coming up on Wednesday and looking forward to that. So it's been a great season.

**AMIR:** Yeah. So just remind everyone if they're in the neighborhood, Calvary Chapel of Central OC, am I right?

**BARRY:** Calvary Central OC, yeah, in Costa Mesa, California. So we'd love to have you come visit. We've got a Wednesday night service at 5 o'clock so everybody can get to their family gatherings after that. We're in and out in an hour on the dot so you can get off to the events that everybody has scheduled for the evening, [Laughing] including shopping!

**AMIR:** So as you can see, Barry Stagner is the senior pastor of Calvary Central OC. And if you're in the area, go and pay a visit to that wonderful church, which by the way, is going to host a conference in March of next year. A conference that is, can you tell us just a few words about it?

**BARRY:** Well, the conference is, I believe it's our 11th year, we call it Proximity because obviously a prophecy conference, we're interested in the lateness of the hour, the events that indicate where we're at in the prophetic timeline. And the church that is going to actually house the event this year is over in East Anaheim. Our good friend Pastor Bob Kopeny has opened the

doors there. So it's March the 7th and it starts at 9 a.m. And we're also launching, and kind of in conjunction with Behold Israel, we're going to do the very first Israel Decree Conference. And I think this is just crucial at such a time as this with the



rising anti-Semitism and the *massive* misunderstanding in the church about the nation of Israel being God's chosen people to this day. So March 7th, 2026, and you can go to [calvarycoc.org](http://calvarycoc.org) to register.

**AMIR:** Yeah, thank you. Thank you very much. You know, I've been following social media when it comes to Turning Point USA's biggest event of the year. By the way... Yeah, go ahead and put that slide, guys. Just so if people want to join Pastor Barry, this is the Proximity conference that you can actually scan the QR code and sign up for. And of course, following that, there will be Calvary Central OC Israel Tour. And you can go ahead and look at that one. We just had a slide... ...That's it. You can also sign up for this one as well.



So going back to this whole thing, Pastor Barry and Pastor Mike, I was following on social media, “America Fest” or “AmFest,” whatever they call it. And I saw quite a few people giving their speeches there. And it seems like Israel is a dividing line there, is a point of division. In my wildest dreams, and in my nightmares, I wouldn’t think that it’s in the Republican party’s or in the conservative camp that Israel is the problem. I mean, you expect that from jihadists and from the left-wing-liberal-progressive ones that always had a problem with that. But lo and behold, the neo-Nazis are lifting their heads up. And the conspiracy theorists and all the grifters are now spreading the poison to the point that big names in American media and politics are actually admitting that on the issue of Israel, the conservative camp is divided. And it’s beyond me that people call themselves Bible-believing or Christians or churchgoers and they have a problem with the only thing that the Bible has 100% or even 1000% consensus on. I mean, I could give you many other issues in America that probably I would say we can be divided on. But when it comes to Israel, this is not one of them.

And I wrote earlier today a post on Telegram that I said, “Look, Israel doesn’t need America to survive.” Because not because I said that, because the Bible says that. But I think that the nations actually do need to stand by Israel if they want to survive. And I think that that’s also something that Zachariah 14 is alluding to, the blessing that will follow if they come every year and celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem and all of that.

And apart from that, of course, the notion that Israel has to be perfect in order to be “worthy” of God’s blessings or even “deserve” their land, it’s baloney. Israel was never perfect, is not perfect and will never be perfect. And yet God is still using them, and He doesn’t seek for anyone’s approval. And if you want to know why, read the latter parts of Romans 11 and see that

even though concerning the gospel, they might be your enemy, when it comes to their election, they're beloved for the sake of their fathers. And then it goes on and tells you why.

And so all of that is beyond me. If you only read your Bible and study the Bible and go to Bible-teaching churches, I don't think Israel will ever be a dividing point. Okay? But when you are a grifter, when you only fish verses that serve your interest, when you are not studying the Bible, where you're watching YouTube in your basement, that's what you get. Conspiracy theories that are spreading like wildfire and sowing doubts, spreading fears, and demonizing the Jewish people. And Candace just said yesterday that it's the Jews that are behind the slavery of the black people. I mean, there's always one more thing to blame the Jews for. So yeah, Pastor Barry, you've probably seen that also all around, haven't you?

**BARRY:** Yeah, Amir, I think what you just said is vitally important for people to understand today because these most-vocal opponents of the nation of Israel within the conservative camp, Tucker Carlson and Candace Owens, both belong to churches that allegorize prophecy. They look at what should be taken literally as spiritual-life lessons or allegory and when you do that, you're going to come up with all sorts of errors.



And Amir, I've really thought this through a lot in recent days about allegory. The problem with allegory— and of course there are things that are figurative in the Bible. There are things that are representative of a spiritual life lesson. That's what

parables are. Jesus, applying a story that would be relevant to the listener in order to help them understand what He was trying to communicate spiritually. But the problem with allegory is there is no universal standard of measure by which the allegorical meaning can be determined. And what

that leaves people doing is every person is making a determination what that means in their own mind. And that has always been dangerous. It has always been anti-biblical. And this is what we're seeing. We're seeing an Episcopalian and a Catholic who are demeaning Israel because they don't believe in Bible prophecy. That's the end of the story there.

**AMIR:** Yeah, I agree with you. And that's why we're so blessed to have this time of Q&A. And Pastor Mike, why don't you take the lead from here, give us the rules, and let's start answering questions.

**MIKE:** Yeah, the guidelines are these: We'd like to hear your first name. And a lot of you that have written your questions know the culture here. So we've got a lineup of questions. Please, all questions related to Bible prophecy, Bible truth, and especially Israel, including the political, geo, and all of the things going on between Iran and the Arabian Peninsula and how the world views Israel, just as we started.

So I am really fascinated with this question, gentlemen. I'm going to jump straight into Jason's question. We touched on it in the last Q&A. And the answer that Amir gave was, yes, there is space. "But does Israel have enough room for all of the Aliyah from the diaspora? Or will the Jews be complaining that no one was organizing their return? Would they go to the Negev desert?" Are there any plans to develop the Negev desert any further? What is the situation for people... Let's say there's a mass response to all this anti-Semitism, Amir, and it just overwhelms the Ministry of Interior. I mean, what's going on there? Can you be more specific about that?

**AMIR:** Obviously. First of all, Israel is the only country on planet Earth that is using its secret service to facilitate the migration of Jewish people to the country. In other words, not only that we are ready, we are working tirelessly to convince them to move to Israel. And sometimes we are operating under enemy's fire to facilitate a safe way to bring the Jews home, certainly in the case

of the Ethiopian Jews, and other Jewish people from other Arab countries. And we are bringing Jewish people from India. We are bringing Jewish people from Europe and also from America. Which means we are ready. The Israeli Ministry of Absorption of Immigrants conducted a drill two weeks ago for a mass migration at once because of the rising anti-Semitism. So not only that we are ready, we are practicing. We are having drills in order to prepare ourselves even better for such a scenario. Most of the Jewish people that are not in Israel today, it's because the Jewish people elsewhere choose not to come. It's not because we're not ready. It's because they're not ready to leave whatever they have, wherever they're at.

And so in that process, I think they are the ones around the world who need to come to the point where they say, "All right, that's it. Enough is enough." I saw, there was just a couple of days ago in one of the European cities, there's the *last* Jewish store in that French town, last one. That's it. And he is closing it. He's closing it. And he's coming to Israel. He said, "That's it. It's done. I'm done here." And so we see it in many European cities. We're seeing it in Australian, in South African communities. And we're also seeing it also now in Northern America, in Canada and America. Look, Mike, it is not going to be better. It will be way worse, way worse.

Look, if we once upon a time suffered from Islamist, Jihadism and leftist anti-Israelism, today we also suffer from the conservative anti-Semitism. Now it's closing on the Jewish people from all sides. And President Trump himself in the Hanukkah-candle-lighting ceremony at the White House said to the Jewish people, to their face, "You used to have a great and powerful lobby, but just so you know, it's no longer that powerful. Congress is turning very anti-Semitic." I can't even believe I'm saying that. But the US Congress, the United States, House of Representatives and Senate, are becoming a hotbed for anti-Semitism because of the all ... and we see that.

So my point is, it's no longer in the fringes, Mike. It's no longer, you know, some sporadic extremists. These are major figures in the media world, politics, and others. So, and the funny thing is, it's almost like parallel universes because you've got this going on, and at the same time, companies like Nvidia are now opening another headquarters in Israel. And Israel is becoming the second home of the largest company on planet Earth right now. And we're securing deals with Egypt and with UAE and with Germany in billions of dollars.

So there's those who know Israel and want to do business with them, and those who are feeding off conspiracy theories and lies and deception that are actually coming up against Israel. So you need to choose where you live in the real world or in the world of lies, deception, fantasy, and conspiracy. That's it. And if you choose to live in the deception world, then I don't know how to tell you this but you're not just coming against Israel—you're not—you're coming against the God of Israel. And it's not even because we're good. We're not good. We are not good. We're not perfect. We'll never be. But He warned, He's the one warned that you cannot curse them and expect to be blessed. If you curse them, you're cursed. If you bless them, you're blessed. That's it. That's all I know. He never conditioned it.

**MIKE:** Yeah, I can't explain all these things, but I do know this. Nvidia's stock has skyrocketed in the last five years. Anybody that seems to partner with Israel and open up shop there, prospers, their stock flies off the handle into the right plot-positive direction. And I can't explain how they get the money, how your economy has prospered, especially during the last two years. It's too miraculous to ignore and any reasonable bystander must conclude there is something spiritual going on to bless that country.

**AMIR:** Go ahead, Pastor Barry.

**BARRY:** Nothing. I was just checking my Nvidia stock that... [All laughing]

**AMIR:** How is it?

**BARRY:** Doing well.

**AMIR:** Very good, okay. Yeah.

**BARRY:** I think what Amir said a moment ago about the US Congress kind of turning on the nation of Israel is important because one, I really think that we need to keep in mind, I think all Christians need to keep in mind, the necessity of the removal of the church in order for the anti-Semitism to reach the level that Zechariah 12:3 prophesied. So it's not just about, "Oh, we're going to get out of here before the tribulation." The hindering component of 2 Thessalonians also needs to come to mind when we start thinking about the role of the church. The light, the only source of light. Jesus said, "You're the light of the world. That's it. You're the truth bearers. There are no others." And as soon as we're gone, then what's going to happen? Well, the rest of the remaining people here, the vast majority being already anti-Semitic, is going to allow the Antichrist to rise to power. So many, many things on the prophetic horizon are happening right in front of us and pretty incredible time to be alive, I think.

**MIKE:** Yeah, well, Pastor Barry, this was touched on, I believe it was last week in the Q&A, but we did not dig deep. Now I'm going to throw this at you so that you can bring us into a deeper understanding. Marsha is asking this question, and I would love to hear how you answer this because I don't know what's going on. Okay? "What do you think about Vice President Vance's comments on Israel and how might he be using his position regarding Israel?" What do you know, what's going on in his mind that caught us all off guard? So let's...

**AMIR:** Not all of us. I'm sorry. Didn't catch me off guard.

**MIKE:** Okay.

**AMIR:** I saw it.

**BARRY:** Yeah, I think his mouth is revealing his mind. I think the aspirations that he has, I assume, to be on the ticket in 2028 are basically being exposed now as far as what his agenda would be regarding the nation of Israel. You can't take this negative position regarding the nation of Israel and say that you're favorable toward them. It's just that forked-tongue kind of thing that we've heard about throughout the years. You can't speak out of both sides of your mouth. Really, the mouth speaks what the heart is full of, and that's what the Bible says, so that's what we're seeing. I think Vance does not have the same position as the president. I think the president obviously has proven himself to be pro-Israel. And I don't think JD Vance is pro-Israel. I think he's made it quite clear what his position is that he sides with many of the members of Congress. And again, these things are necessary, and I mentioned Zechariah 12:3 a moment ago, the whole world is going to stand against Israel. There are no exceptions. There are no exclusions. The whole world means the whole world. They're going to find Jerusalem to be a burdensome stone. And I think this is the revelation of his heart in the words that he has spoken and now we know what his position is. So for me, if we're still here in 2028, he's not somebody to vote for.

**MIKE:** Wow. So Amir, you were not caught off guard by this.

**AMIR:** No.

**MIKE:** Bring us to a deeper understanding of what's going on in his mind.

**AMIR:** Well, first of all, he's an admirer of Tucker Carlson. Tucker Carlson's son works for JD Vance. I think that JD shares the same views of Israel could even be a liability and a burden on America. I just need you to understand that I truly believe—I've said that in person privately; maybe it's time to say that openly and publicly—but I truly believe that President Trump is the last US president to stand by Israel. I want to believe that the next two years while he's still there, will be great years for Israel to recover from the war, maybe have a secure a couple more deals,

peace deals with some other countries, but I am more than convinced that when the next war is coming, America is not going to stand by Israel. It's not going to extend its physical assistance to Israel, which is totally fine with me. Because we already know the end of the story. Don't we, Pastor Barry? We already know that it's not going to be any military assistance coming from anywhere around the world, or not even some sort of a monetary assistance at all. Even our own military won't be able to withstand the attack coming from Russia, Turkey, Iran and their allies. It will have to be a supernatural intervention in ways and shapes and forms that we've never seen before in the last almost 80 years of existence of this country.

So I am not bitter. When I say that I believe Trump is the last pro-Israel president and most likely Vance will be elected because he speaks to both conservatives and a new creature of the anti-Israel but "Jewish sympathizer." They don't want to be perceived as anti-Semites. So they say, "Oh, we're not anti-Semites. We just don't like Israel. We're okay with the Jews." It's such a stupidity because everything they hate us for as Israel, it's they hate us because of those who hate Jews are accusing us for it. The Palestinians don't hate Israel. The Palestinians hate Jews. Let's make it very clear. And so when they want the entire land for themselves, it's not because they hate Israel. It's because they hate the Jews. It's because they're against the Jews. They don't want the Jews here. Okay? It's not like it's not about Judea and Samaria and Gaza. When they say, "From the river to the sea," it means I have no place here.

So they promote lies, deception, and then it really speaks well to the anti-Semitic, already anti-Semitic narratives that some people on the conservative side have, which they call us Christ killers and those who control the world and all of that baloney. Now we're also in charge of slavery. I didn't know that until yesterday. So all of that is anti-Semitic. And so when they say, "No, no, no, we're not anti-Semitic. It's all about Israel." Come on. You know and I know that you're

buying the narrative of the anti-Semites, and you just project it on Israel only. But Bondi Beach, is it in Israel? An Israeli was attacked in Limassol in Cyprus yesterday. Is that Israel? Jews are attacked in France. Jews are attacked in Turkey. Jews are attacked all across the world. Is that Israel? No, it's not Israel because it has never been about Israel. And some of those "conservatives" are even doubting the Holocaust! Well, I'm sorry, but the Holocaust took place before Israel was born. So it's never been about Israel to begin with. They even deny that some of them even say that we exaggerated the numbers.

So wait a minute. I thought it's all about Israel that you have a problem with. No, it's not. It's never been about Israel. And the fact that the Jewish people finally can defend themselves, and they have a military that is not allowing our enemy to slaughter us and get away with it, they have a problem with that. So they wrap it up with, "Oh, we're against Israel that is killing innocent people." Really? I want to see America going against a terrorist organization in any of the countries around America that would have killed 50,000 Americans and kidnapped 5,000 of them. Proportionately, that's the numbers. I want to see what America would have done. You know, remember what you did in Pearl Harbor? What happened after Pearl Harbor? Do you remember how many people...? Okay, so I'm sorry. In war, some innocent people die. But remember who started it, and remember that as far as we're concerned, we asked for our hostages back and Hamas to disarm and the war would have ended two days after. But they choose to keep Hamas in power, and they chose to keep the hostages under the ground for almost two years. They are to be blamed for their suffering. And so all of that to say, Mike, that Vice President Vance is not good news for Israel. But I'm not surprised. As a student of Bible prophecy, as a teacher of Bible prophecy, I'm not surprised.

**MIKE:** The bitter pill is we have to shake hands with this reality, with the Bible predicted all of this. Pastor Barry, you're about to say something?

**BARRY:** Well, I was just thinking, for those who receive the Bible Bites each Monday morning or Monday, whatever time it is on your day or time zone, it's interesting that how the Bible tells us that there are going to be a series of prophetic events fulfilled in a compact period of time. In the Olivet Discourse, Jesus talks about a generation. The very first verse of Revelation says that Jesus has shown to John through an angel, things that will in quick succession take place. And I think that's one of the more interesting things about what we're seeing. You know, one, it identifies itself as being demonic in nature simply because the response that has happened since October 7th makes no sense otherwise. The victims have become the perpetrators, so to speak. And, just watching this unfold and seeing how quickly things are changing around the world just reminds us of what the Bible told us, and what Jesus taught. Things are going to happen really quick, in quick succession, and they'll get increasingly intense and frequent like labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And I think we're deep into that. And I think the major labor of the tribulation is at hand. So we need to be looking up our redemption is nigh.

**MIKE:** Yeah, well, we have a Bible question, and I think this is a really interesting one. Mia is asking this. I was reading this just the other day, ironically. The question is, "What is the fulfillment of Zechariah 14:2? Has that happened already? It doesn't seem to match 70 AD. The rapture or the second coming." Pastor Barry, I'm going to read it. **[Zechariah 14:1-3]** "<sup>1</sup>Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, and your spoil will be divided in your midst. <sup>2</sup>For I will gather all the nations..." this is the verse, "<sup>2</sup>...to battle against Jerusalem; the city shall be taken, the houses rifled, and the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, but the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city." And then, of course, verse 3, "<sup>3</sup>Then the LORD

**will go forth and fight against those nations, as He fights in the day of battle.”** What exactly does this mean, Mia’s question? It’s a very good question, Mia. Thank you for this.

**BARRY:** It is a good question, and I like how it was framed regarding its relationship to 70 AD because the fact is Zechariah 12-14 is absolutely and unquestionably about the tribulation of the 70th week of Daniel. And the reason she cannot find any historic parallel is because it hasn’t happened yet. And you know, I think this is one of the dangers of preterism and believing that all these prophetic things are now historic is you can’t find evidence of many of them. And I, in some categories, would say any of them. You did not see wars and rumors of wars in 70 AD. You did not see earthquakes in diverse places. You did not see famine. You did not see ethnic tensions other than the Romans and the Jews. You didn’t see any of these things that Jesus said would be happening in a birth-pang-like progression. The beginning of sorrows means the commencement of birth pangs. So we don’t have any of those things to look at. And we certainly don’t have anything that Zechariah 12-14 talks about. Tongues dissolving in the mouth, eyes melting in their sockets, and all those kinds of things. We haven’t seen any of that. But that parallels very clearly what the Lord is going to do. And that’s one of my favorite verses, Mike. “The Lord will fight as He fights in the day of battle.” And where can you find that historically? That didn’t happen in 70 AD. In 70 AD, the temple was destroyed. Thousands of Jews were killed. And God didn’t fight the way He fights. And that’s pointing back to the Exodus. And we can see His arsenal, even in Job 38, where He asked, “Job, have you seen the treasury of hail I have reserved for the time of the end?” And we know that flooding rain and hail mingled with blood is going to end the Ezekiel War when God supernaturally intervenes on behalf of Israel. So none of that has anything to do with anything historic. All of it is prophetic to this day.

**MIKE:** Yeah, Amir, any thoughts?

**AMIR:** Yeah, I just want to continue for Mia and say that it's specifically describing the return of Jesus *with* us. Which means not even the rapture, but the second coming of Jesus as it says. Yeah, because it says. Then, look what He says in verse 5. The latter part of verse **14:5** says, “<sup>5</sup> **...Thus the LORD my God will come, and all the saints with You.**” And if that's not enough, it also says that [verse 4] “<sup>4</sup> **And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from east to west, making a very large valley; half of the mountain shall move toward the north and half of it toward the south.**” That's an event that never happened before, Mike. It never happened in 70 AD. It never happened in any of the wars. So we have a specific description of the return of the Messiah with His feet—And by the way, we shouldn't be surprised when the angel told the disciples that He's coming back, it's to the same place where He departed from, Mount of Olives. And it says here, with His feet on Mount of Olives, Mount of Olives will split. And if it's not clear, He moves on and says, says the LORD my God will come, and His saints with Him. We're coming with Him. He's not coming for us here. He's coming with us here, which is phenomenal. So not only that He's going to fight and win unlike 70 AD, but He's also coming back *physically* to reign and rule, which is ushering the millennial kingdom right there. And that explains the latter part of **chapter 14:16–17**, which says, “<sup>16</sup> **And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.** <sup>17</sup> **And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain.**”

Remember, we talked earlier, even in the future, there will be no blessing upon any nation that is coming against Israel. Here, not only that they cannot come against Israel, they have to

come physically every year to worship the King of kings and celebrate not the Ramadan, and not Easter and not, I don't know... [but at] the Feast of Tabernacles. And the Jewish people that will live during the millennial kingdom are the first generation, at least, are Jewish believers. So it's going to be beautiful. How can you cancel that? How can you ignore that? How can you allegorize that when the Bible is clearly speaking about a real, physical event? The highlight of His return.

**MIKE:** Yeah, I mean, you go from extreme suffering and savagery like Mia has identified to a struggle and then Jesus—Again, you guys have a theme of God fighting for Israel time and time again. It's clearly a miraculous state and we should stick close to God, and we should stick close to that which God loves, which is Israel.

Yeah, so Danny's question, this is a little bit theological. Let's throw this one out here and see what happens. Okay? It's the theme of baptism. Jesus said those who believe and are baptized will be saved. Everybody's wondering about their salvation, where they stand with God, what they need to do. And you must be born of water and spirit. Paul and the Gentiles were baptized. "Why isn't baptism mandatory for salvation? What role does baptism play?" Pastor Barry, can you start us off? Convince a person that has been saved that they should be baptized and what is the value of it? Does it mean salvation? Is it obedience? What is going on here?

**BARRY:** Well, Jesus was baptized and He didn't need to be saved. He did it as an example to the rest of us. And even said when John said to Him, "Hey, I shouldn't be baptizing You. You ought to be baptizing me." He said, "Well, permit it to be so for now." But I think where a lot of the confusion comes is that the Greek term *baptizo* is applicable not only to water baptism, but also to the baptism of the Holy Spirit. And if you examine the sermon of Peter in Acts 2, when he, having been the former Christ denier, now became the bold proclaimer because he was empowered with the power to be witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the end of the earth; Peter then told

them when they asked when the Jews who heard him preaching were cut to the heart, they said, "What shall we do?" He said, "Repent and be baptized and the Holy Spirit will come upon you." And then he said that this is true for as many as the Lord our God will call.

So, I think there's certain contexts where the Holy Spirit is in view and the baptism or the full immersion into the Holy Spirit is what's in view there and not just water baptism. And I think the primary argument about do you need to be baptized in order to be saved, again, comes from Jesus Himself. He said He came to seek and save them which is lost and yet He didn't baptize anybody. Paul said, you know, I can't remember if I baptized. Paul, this massive first century evangelist. He said, I baptized these guys and those guys, and I can't remember if I baptized anybody else. Well, if he is the apostle to the Gentiles and he's reaching this massive section of the world and you have to be baptized in order to be saved, why wasn't he baptizing people? Why didn't he baptize everybody he led to Christ? Because baptism, like communion, is a reminder of the work of God in our lives. Communion elements represent the body and blood of Christ symbolically, and baptism represents our death to our old nature and newness of life that were raised as Christ's new creations.

**AMIR:** Yeah, by the way, both things—communion and baptism—will not exist when we are with Him. Because remember communion is until I come, do that until I come. Remember? But when He's coming back, that's it. You don't have to do it anymore. And when He's back and we're with Him and we're already having our new body and all of that, I don't think that—But the thing is this, Mike, even the thief on the cross was not baptized as far as I know.

**MIKE:** Yeah, we have no record of it. Yeah.

**AMIR:** Yeah. But on the other hand, the Ethiopian eunuch was baptized and Philip pulled on him a rapture that was horizontal, not vertical.

**BARRY:** That's right.

**AMIR:** [Whoosh] He was gone. So what I'm trying to say is that just as Pastor Barry said, I think when you have the Holy Spirit, when you're born again, Spirit-filled, you want to be baptized. You actually want to announce it. You don't hide it. It comes from you. The same goes with communion. Communion should never be a punishment or some rule that you have to... Communion has to be something you want to do because it's something that Jesus commanded to do until He comes. And that's it. But so, my point is these things come naturally to those who love Him and not just love Him, *do* His will. He always made sure that people not only hear, but do His will.

**MIKE:** So what you're saying is one would expect any believer to come to the realization that they want to be baptized.

**AMIR:** Yes, and I think that a lot of people who were baptized when they were babies and then came to faith in an older age, they feel the urge to be rebaptized because they understand: It meant nothing to me when I was baby-sprinkled, whatever.

**MIKE:** Yeah, well, a lot of people, Pastor Barry, I would imagine in your church when I was a pastor, they would come and say, "I'm already saved. What's the point of getting baptized?" And then we'd have to read these passages of Scripture, and I would just leave it on the Holy Spirit to communicate that to them. Because, you know, like you guys both said, you don't want this to be a rule, or turn this into some kind of dead religion.

Now, David has a good question. Okay, he's very direct, and this is about Iran. We're changing topics from baptism to Iran. "When will Israel go into Iran again and end this?" What he probably means is end this whole, not just the nuclear program, but this religious, Islamic hate for Jews.

**AMIR:** Yeah, well, first of all, I wrote yesterday on Telegram, plans for 2026: Lebanon, Gaza, Iran. Those are the plans for—So we’re probably going to visit Iran again in the near future. But, David, unfortunately I can tell you that the Bible, not me, not the Israeli intelligence, not the prime minister of Israel, not the IDF, the Bible says that Persia is going to come against Israel in a form of a coalition and not alone. Which means, even if we went now and attacked them once again, you would expect them to still not learn the lesson and join the big attacking coalition against us when the Ezekiel War will start. So, prophetically, even if I went there again and again and again, today, tomorrow, the day after tomorrow; prophetically, biblically, I know it’s not going to stop them from trying to destroy us or from wanting to destroy us.

And so, to your question, David, it’s not going to end before the Ezekiel War. It’s not going to end. The Ezekiel War probably will end it. But before that, if you’re looking for an end to it, it won’t happen because of the Ezekiel War. Ezekiel is clearly stating that a coalition of countries will come against Israel, and Persia will be one of them. So obviously, I cannot tell you today, since it hasn’t happened yet, that it’s going to end soon. I will tell you that from what I gather, the Ezekiel War could be very much so the end of it, but nothing before. So, as much as I wish that the ayatollahs will be gone, and Iran will become friendly with Israel again, the Iranian people are friends with Israel, most of them do like us; if it was up to them, they would have never, ever voted the ayatollahs again.

The mistake that the Iranian people made, the big mistake, is the mistake that the Western world is doing now. The Iranians had the academic world, the left, and the Islamists aligning together to throw out the Shah. And look what happened. The Islamists then took over and killed the rest. And that’s what’s happening right now in the Western world. The Western world did not learn the lesson from what happened to the people in Iran. Anyone who escaped Iran is trying

desperately, like Dr. Sheila Nazarian, I think. She's a child of people who escaped Iran in the mid-1980s. And she just yesterday, I think, she just said—I think I posted that on Telegram today. I think She said, "You guys, you don't learn from history. It happened to us already. We know exactly what's going to happen." And so history repeats itself. Iran will come against Israel in the Ezekiel War. Therefore, an attack tomorrow or the day after tomorrow will still not deter them from doing something against us again. That's my belief based on what I see in Scriptures.

**MIKE:** It's just amazing. You've got the return of Israel, the resuscitation of the Hebrew language, Israel becoming a world superpower, you have the coalition of Ezekiel existing. I think it's a privilege to live in these days. I do want to be raptured.

Pastor Barry, I've got a really good question, and I also want to hear what you have to say about this. We don't talk a lot about what heaven's going to be like. So we will be raptured. And what language? She says this: "Does it appear in Scripture what language we will speak when we're in heaven?" Now, let's treat this question properly, because we make jokes about, "Oh, we'll speak Hebrew," or something like that. Maybe we will. I don't know. Let's see how you guys respond to this. "What will we be doing to bring glory to God, because time won't exist?" What's our language and what are we going to be doing? I love this question, Paula, because it's a big mystery. Pastor Barry, let's hear what you have to say. Amir, I want to hear what you have to say on this one too.

**AMIR:** You know I know the language already. [All laughing]

**BARRY:** Oh, yeah. There you go. I knew that was coming. You'll be having coffee. We'll be learning Hebrew. Let me first say what we won't be doing, and that is riding on a cloud playing a harp. That's not how heaven is going to be like. Heaven is going to be a place of unimaginable beauty. We know we'll be worshiping the Lord. We also know that we're going to have bodies,

once they're glorified, that are like the glorified Jesus Christ, according to Philippians chapter 3, verse 20. So that tells us our bodies are going to be capable of incredible things, along with eternal existence, putting on a mortal incorruptibility, as Paul said in 1 Corinthians chapter 15. So, we'll will have responsibilities during the millennial reign of Christ on Earth, and I think the parable of the minas makes it clear that we'll be rewarded with those responsibilities, based on what we did with what God gave us. But the heavenly scene, I like to remind people that what we read in Revelation 4 and 5, someday we're going to see. Someday we're going to see God on His throne. Someday we're going to see the emerald-green rainbow, the circular rainbow that surrounds His throne. Someday we're going to see the crystal sea before His throne. Someday we're going to hear the four living creatures with their unceasing mantra, "Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come." We're going to experience all that. We're going to see all those things. And, you know, another fascinating portion of this and our experience there, as it relates to just that, our experience there, obviously we're going to see Jesus. But we're going to see Abraham, we're going to see David, we're going to see, you know, the Apostle Paul. We're going to see those throughout history that the George Whitefield and others that just had incredible experiences. And so...

**AMIR:** ...What language are you going to talk to them? [Amir and Mike laugh]

**BARRY:** Well, you know, it's interesting. Well, I don't ever try and speak Hebrew in front of you because I don't get to laughed at that. But it's funny because what we do know is in 1 Corinthians 13 where Paul says, "If we speak with the tongues of men and of angels but have not love, then we're like a sounding brass and a clanging cymbal." So there's definitely a language, there's no question about it. But you know, maybe it is Hebrew, maybe it's Gaelic, I don't know.

But Hebrew seems to be a pretty good candidate since that's the language of His chosen people.

But...

**MIKE:** ...Interesting.

**AMIR:** I'm, honestly—Of course, I'm laughing. I don't know which language. I just know one thing. If it's going to be Hebrew, while you guys are in classroom, I will be having my coffee, heavenly coffee. Let's see how it goes there. But you know, to put a joke aside, I don't think if the Bible doesn't tell us something, that means it's not a big deal for us not to know it. And I think that one of those things, it's the language that we're going to be speaking there. And I think that there is no way He's going to bring us up there without giving us a way to communicate with one another.

**BARRY:** Oh, absolutely. Yeah.

**AMIR:** So, you know, I don't bother, although I do have an advantage here. If it is Hebrew, I'm already okay.

**MIKE:** We do have an eternity.

**AMIR:** But if it's not Hebrew, I'm still not worried because I'm sure I'll find a way to communicate with everybody else there. So again, if it's Hebrew, I'm okay. If it's not, I'm okay also.

**MIKE:** Yeah, I love this question because we're all wondering about the mystery of the future and eternity. I mean, eternity is eternity. And so, it really is...Yeah, any final comments there, Pastor Barry? Wow, we only have five minutes left.

**AMIR:** Wow, time was flying today.

**BARRY:** Yeah.

**MIKE:** It was.

**BARRY:** You know, one, Mike, I don't think—The Tower of Babel, God confused their language. He gave people a language that they would understand and others around them. So I think we'll have kind of that same experience. Whatever we need to speak, we'll be able to speak when we get there. And nobody's going to go to classes. After all, when we see Jesus, we will be like Him. For we will see Him as He is, 1 John 3:2.

**AMIR:** And if you will go to classes, I'll have coffee. That's all I'm saying. That's all.

**MIKE:** Yeah, and that's...

**AMIR:** Mike, you don't have to worry. Mike, you don't have to worry, you do speak Hebrew, so you're okay.

**BARRY:** That's true. That's true.

**MIKE:** I'll have a one espresso shot. You can have two because you know it better. And I'll have a workbook on the side.

**AMIR:** Okay, let's do one more question.

**MIKE:** This is kind of a yes or no question. I think we can slip it in. Lewis is asking, "What is Qatar's role in Bible prophecies?" You know, with a lot of things going on in Qatar, a lot of coverage. "If any, will it be part of Ezekiel's invasion?" It's really a yes or no question.

**AMIR:** If you ask me, Qatar is a tool in the hands of the enemy to cause hatred towards Israel, confuse the people. You know, one of the things that we say about the devil is that he is deceiving the nations. And I think Qatar is a great tool in his hand to deceive the nations. Yeah, so I don't think Qatar will have peace with Israel. And I don't think Qatar is going to be blessed. I don't think it's mentioned in the Bible specifically. But I will tell you that it contributes to deception. It contributes to anti-Semitism. It contributes to confusion. It contributes to America being or drifting away from Israel's support. It contributes to a lot of negative things, but not a single good positive

thing these people are capable of. They are not—they wish to be UAE. They wish they could promote real peace. Mike, I can walk freely in Dubai. I actually feel safer in Dubai than in Europe. I know that in Dubai they will never teach anti-Semitism. They will never incite against Israel. In fact, they just cut a great deal with Israel to provide them some defense systems.

**MIKE:** They're getting very blessed.

**AMIR:** Very blessed. And Qatar is envious at them. But they will never be blessed. Qatar is one of the most cursed nations on planet Earth. But they are trying to cover it up with all their money and the name and the success that they tried to project. No one goes there. They tried to bring influencers to show them how beautiful it is. There's nothing beautiful in Qatar. It's nothing. They wish to be like the UAE. But they will never be because all they do, all the money that they have, they don't promote innovation, technology, peace, tolerance. All they do is confuse, deceive, spread propaganda, spread lies. And they will never be blessed. If you follow the biblical rule, they will never be blessed. It's a cursed regime that is enslaving people to build big buildings that are not desired even by anyone. Nothing. No one is desiring them. That's why they're buying everything. They pay off for—They use their money to bribe the whole world because no one wants them. Because of who they are and what they promote and what they are. They contribute nothing to humanity. That's it. I...

**MIKE:** ...Very well said. You called it. Pastor Barry, any final remarks? We have one minute left.

**MIKE:** Yeah, I think if there is a further participants in the battle, it could be that Ezekiel 38:6 is leaning toward that, where it names some nations that we know occupy the geographic region of modern-day Turkey. And it concludes and says many peoples are with you, a word that could be translated as nations. So, we do know the primary players for sure are Russia, Iran, Turkey, Libya,

and Sudan. And, you know, maybe others will participate to some degree. But I don't think we can get too dogmatic about it. But if there is any indication, I think 38:6 would be that indication. So that's all.



**MIKE:** Thank you. Okay, well, that's all we have time for, Amir.

**AMIR:** Yep. I think we're going to wrap it up. I want to remind everybody we're coming towards Christmas and New Year. But I

want to remind you that normally what happens is right after New Year, everybody signs up for our cruises, and you will be left without a spot. So look at the Alaska cruise. If we can put that Alaska cruise, you still have spots there. We're going to have a wonderful prophecy conference there. In the largest ship of Celebrity, to the best of my knowledge, it's called *Celebrity Edge*. Yes, *Celebrity Edge*, one of the nicest, newest, biggest ships. And we have four speakers. We're going to give you also Q&A besides the Bible teachings. Sign up now before it's too late. And I also want to remind you to sign up for Proximity in March, just around the corner. Proximity Conference in Southern California, March 7th, Calvary Chapel East Anaheim is the location. But Calvary Central



OC is the hosting church, of course. Proximity Conference. And if you happen to want to go to Israel with Pastor Barry and his church, join their Israel tour as well in the month of May of next

year. If we can put that slide also that will bless us all. April, excuse me, April of next year, April 15–23, Israel tour of Calvary Central OC. Having said that, Pastor Barry and I want to thank you all for showing up with our book, *Until He Comes*.

**BARRY:** Amazing.

**AMIR:** I am speechless at how many people purchased it, not only for themselves, but for the entire family. And a little secret, the publisher and the printer were not ready for it. They were scrambling to print enough copies to come up with the number that they were not ready for. So thank you, because now we see it in Hobby Lobby, in Target, Walmart, and also in Barnes & Noble. Yes, Barnes & Noble, they're everywhere. And that's why we ask you to show up at pre-order. Thank you very, very much.

Yeah, so thank you again, Pastor Barry. Thank you, Pastor Mike. Thank you everyone for watching and being with us today. Thank you for your wonderful support throughout the year. I will share with you a short video next week, wrapping up the 2025, and give you some important information regarding the very beginning of 2026 and the rest of the year. Until then, thank you. God bless you. And Shalom from Galilee, California, Minnesota. To all of you all over the world. Share, subscribe, comment, and like this video. God bless you and Shalom.

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