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(Titus 1:10-11, 14)

For there are also many unruly men, vain talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision... whose mouths must be stopped; men who overthrow whole houses, teaching things which they ought not... Do not paying attention to Jewish fables and commandments of men who turn away from the truth.

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Introduction¹



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I have heard much about Jonathan Cahn for several years now, but always felt a check in my spirit regarding his books on the Shemitah and the Harbinger and have not really checked out why this has been the case—until now. The reason I have done so now is because certain ministries that I hold in high esteem, have now begun to promote his books. This has greatly troubled my spirit, and so I decided to look into Cahn’s material to see what the Lord would show me about what so many Christians are becoming so enamored by from Jonathan Cahn’s ministry.

First of all, Jonathan is a Messianic Jew—which means, he is a Jew who claims to have received Yeshua as His Messiah and personal Savior. Is he a genuine Christian or is he far worse than just your plain run of the mill false teacher? I pray you will carefully and prayerfully read this report and decide for yourself.

Secondly, Jonathan Cahn calls himself a Rabbi yet the bible says:

Matthew 23:8 “But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.”

Jonathan Cahn is claiming that the Pilgrims (America’s founders who were Puritans’ – Calvinists) constituted America to be in a covenant relationship with God like Israel is in a covenant with God. This is of course is not Biblical, but the Puritans, never the less believed they could establish such a covenant. Because of this Cahn claims that America replaces Israel as the new Israel for a New World...Order. However, Israel is the only nation in a covenant relationship with God and that was established through Abraham.

He repeats this again on Glen Beck’s show (see: <https://youtu.be/rQnF9WGNW-U>). Glen Beck is a Mormon. Why would a professing Christian like Jonathan Cahn appear on a Mormon’s show?

2 Corinthians 6:14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

¹ Sources: <https://www.discerningtheworld.com/2015/07/15/why-jonathan-cahn-and-his-revelations-must-be-ignored/>

<https://davemosher.wordpress.com/2013/02/05/heretical-harbinger-author-jonathan-cahn-who-is-he-and-what-does-he-really-believe/>

So Who is Jonathan Cahn and What Does He Really Believe?²

Well if you go to his website it says:



“Jonathan Cahn is President of Hope of the World ministries, Senior Pastor and **Messianic Rabbi** of the Jerusalem Center/ Beth Israel in Wayne, New Jersey. He is also the author of the bestselling book ‘The Harbinger’. His teachings are broadcast daily over hundreds of radio stations throughout the United States and the world and on television. He ministers, as did the first Jewish messengers of the Gospel, sharing the message of Messiah to Jew and Gentile, Israel, and the nations. He has ministered before mass gatherings in India, Nigeria, Cuba, Mizoram, Honduras, Haiti, & throughout the world. His teachings are widely **known for revealing the deep mysteries of God’s word** and for the **restoring of the new covenant message to its original biblically Jewish richness and power.**” — <http://www.bethisraelworshipcenter.org/aboutjonathan.htm>

That is very interesting. So Jonathan Cahn knows the deep mysteries of God’s Word that Christians don’t know? And only Jonathan Cahn can reveal these mysteries to us? Jonathan Cahn also claims to restore the message that Jesus Christ preached in its original Jewish **richness and power**. This implies that he is saying that born again believers for the last 2000+ years, who have been reading the Scriptures have not had access to the “original Jewish **richness and power** of God’s Word.” What does he mean by ‘**Jewish richness and power**’? Does he mean that we need to infuse the Bible with **Kabalah mysticism** in order to understand it properly? Many, such as Chuck Pierce in the false NEW APOSTOLIC REFORMATION are doing this very thing, and using this as a foundation for their “prophetic messages” and “new revelations.” Many of these ministries teach and preach much Biblical truth, but they also mix it with many false messages and revelations that are not Biblical. Mixture of truth and error (leaven) is Satan’s favorite “deception tactic” **Galatians 5:9, A little leaven leavens the whole lump.**

It saddens me, when I see sincere Christians unknowingly embrace customs and beliefs that are not founded upon the Word of God—because I know from my own experience that they are running the danger of having their streams of living water polluted by false teaching and beliefs. Mixture of truth and lies in a Sunday morning church service has become one of Satan’s most popular cocktail hours—in which to impart confusion and doubt, from unbiblical doctrines that are leading Christians into grave deception and destruction.

Jesus answered and said to them, "You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God. (Matt 22:29)

Some of his (Paul's) comments are hard to understand, and those who are ignorant and unstable have twisted his letters around to mean something

² Source: <https://davemosher.wordpress.com/2013/02/05/heretical-harbinger-author-jonathan-cahn-who-is-he-and-what-does-he-really-believe/>

quite different from what he meant, just as they do the other parts of Scripture — and the result is disaster for them. (2 Peter 3:16) NLT

Here is another version of Cahns's biography that was on his website (but the link has now been removed):

“Jonathan Cahn is President of Hope of the World ministries.... Descended from the line of Aaron, **he has been asked to sound the Jubilee trumpet** and minister among the nations, **a prophetic ministry** of and to the Jew and the Gentile in the last days. His teachings include the **revealing of ancient mysteries**, the depth and wonders of God's Word, **and the restoration of the Gospel message** in its original Biblically Jewish context, richness, and power.”

Who asked him to sound the Jubilee trumpet? And what does that mean exactly? Here he states that his ministry is a prophetic ministry. There is a movement called the 'Hebrew Roots Movement' where they believe that you cannot understand the bible unless you go back to your Hebrew ways (become like the Jews) and read extra biblical sources such as the Midrash, Zohar and the Talmud etc., to gain a higher enlightenment of the Scriptures.

The Berean Call Ministry says:

“The late Jewish scholar and researcher of first century life in Israel, David Flusser, said rightly; “Jesus was a Jew in every way” (*Jewish Sources in Early Christianity*, Adama Books, New York, 1987, p.7). There is absolutely no denying that Jesus was born a Jew and lived an observant Jewish life. He did this to fulfill completely every demand of the law, He did it for us (Romans:8:1-4), and He continues to do it in us if we are true believers.

So if we want to be like Jesus, does that mean that we must become observant Jews, as some allege? Is that what being like Jesus really means? Should Gentile believers try to be Messianic Jews? Can they? Should Gentiles don a yarmulke, worship in a synagogue, blow a shofar, wear a prayer shawl, call Jesus Yeshua or Yeshu, keep the Old Testament feasts and dietary laws, and give their pastors the title of Rabbi, even though Matthew:23:8 says otherwise? Are Jewish ceremonies and practices efficacious?

Do we need to restore first century or later Jewish practices to really be good Christians? The Pharisees practiced all the ceremonies, but theirs is a cautionary tale since Jesus told them that they did these things in vain (Matthew:15:7-9, See also Matthew 23).

So, is Jewishness next to godliness? One very modern movement would answer the question with a loud— “yes, more or less!” This growing movement is called the Hebrew Roots Movement (HRM). Unfortunately, it lacks a shared, coherent, consistent theology, an internal mechanism of doctrinal control, and it is filled with mavericks who seem to be making it up as they go along in terms of attachment to Jewish accoutrements.” I recommend reading this entire article: [Bewitching Believers Through the Hebrew Roots Movement](http://www.thebereancall.org/content/january-2014-bewitching-believers-hebrew-roots) at:

(<http://www.thebereancall.org/content/january-2014-bewitching-believers-hebrew-roots>).

Did the Zohar Greatly Shape Jonathan Cahn's Writings?

Many Christians are now being taught *new revelations* from Gnostic books such as the Zohar (Kabbalah). In a video Jonathan Cahn is preaching *new revelations* about the Bible from a mystical source called the Zohar.

You can watch Jonathan Cahn: on the Zohar – at: https://youtu.be/qAFtormiU_0

If Cahn is a born again Christian as he claims, **he should condemn** the ungodly, occult Zohar/Kaballah. He should not quote it, **except in condemnation** of its passages.

What Is the Zohar?

The Zohar is a collection of commentaries on the Torah, intended to guide people who have already achieved high spiritual degrees to the root (origin) of their souls. The Zohar was written for people who have already achieved spiritual perception. It contains the depictions of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai (Rashbi), who attained all 125 degrees of the spiritual ladder of degrees. Rashbi expressed the entire spiritual path and titled it Zohar (“radiance” in Hebrew). Discovering The Zohar means discovering your inner world and your unlimited potential.

The Zohar is built so that only those who achieve a certain spiritual level can benefit from what they read in it. Prior to studying The Zohar, one needs to study other texts that teach how to properly approach the text in The Zohar.

The Zohar contains all the spiritual states that people experience as their souls evolve. At the end of the process, the souls achieve what Kabbalah refers to as “the end of correction,” the highest level of spiritual wholeness. Source: http://www.kabbalah.info/engkab/mystzohar.htm#.WAVyX_krIdU

Jonathan Cahn a Freemason?

Freemasons of course, delve into Gnostic teachings such as the Kabbalah. One would have to wonder if Jonathan Cahn is a Freemason because these pictures make him greatly suspect. One picture shows Jonathan Cahn showing the Hebrew letter for Shin (ש) a hand sign in Kabbalah, made popular by Dr Spock in Star Trek also known as the Vulcan salute.

The Mystery of the Well Placed Freemason-Hand Sign



The Hebrew letter ש Shin is the twenty-first letter of the Kabbalistic alphabet.



The Shemitah 2015

The Berean Call says this:

This imposed Shemitah judgment was very specific and involved *only the nation of Israel*. Since no Gentile nations were ever obligated to keep the Shemitah, there is no scriptural basis for suggesting that any other nation would ever experience an imposed Shemitah judgment. Yet, this is precisely what Jonathan Cahn suggests that America has experienced.

Cahn also wrongly implies that the Shemitah is essentially a *universal principle* that is somehow integrated into the order of the universe. Cahn makes the following assertion in his book: **“Seven years—is the biblical period of time that concerns a nation’s financial and economic realms.”** [This and all quotes are taken from: Jonathan Cahn, *The Harbinger* (Lake Mary, FL: Frontline, Charisma Media/Charisma House Book Group, 2011)]

Although Israel was on a seven-year economic cycle, no biblical passages support Cahn’s idea that natural economic cycles of seven years exist for nations in general. Furthermore, financial experts have not identified any seven-year economic cycle.
—see: <http://www.thebereancall.org/content/october-2014-extra-shemitah>

Whatever happened during The Shemitah (September 2015), you can be sure was not because of God and a connection to [Isaiah 9:10](#), it’s because the Freemasons (Illuminati) who God allows to control this world are pushing the buttons and they are making things happen (in cycles of 7 as it’s a ‘magic’ number) for their own purposes to further the progress of a New World Order.

Christine Lagarde from the IMF (International Monetary Fund), informs world leaders that the Illuminati are also very interested in the magical number 7 and cycles of 7. See her 7-minute video at: <https://youtu.be/QYmViPTndxw>

Some of Jonathan Cahn Occult Teachings:

God of all Nations

Psalms 24:1 states: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. God owns everything and everyone, however, he is not the one who is presently in control of this world or the people in it. Satan is the god (the one in control) at present. God can intervene whenever He chooses, because it all belongs to Him and He is sovereign over His creation. But God is not—as Cahn teaches—the God of all nations, because He is not the God of this world. The Bible says Satan is the god of this world.

2 Corinthians 4:4 “In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”

Satan is the prince of this world:

John 12:31 "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out."

We read that Satan influences the unsaved people of this world, he influences unbeliever's hopes, dreams, ideals and opinions etc.

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

So then who is the God of all nations? None other than Satan of course.

2 Kings 17:29 "Howbeit every nation (how many nations?) has made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt."

For Jonathan Cahn who claims to be a Christian and to not know who the god of this world is, I find shocking to say the least. He has been deceived because as we shall see, his god is Satan, and his god is now ruling this world.

The Alpha Light

Cahn states: "From the beginning of creation to Jesus' incarnation and His resurrection – **it all begins with light. And not just light, but the alpha light.** It is the alpha light that has the power to change everything. You can Learn **the secret of using the Alpha Light in every circumstance** to change everything." This gives us the power to play God... so we can change everything!

So who is this Alpha light Jonathan Cahn is speaking about? The Bible says about God, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last." (Revelation 22:13) **It does not say I am the Alpha light.** Cahn also says "From the beginning of creation to the incarnation and the resurrection, it all begins with light." **This is a lie;** it all began with the Word. The bible says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1).

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet. Omega is the last letter of the Greek alphabet. In modern usage it would mean "from A to Z". By combining the two, Alpha and Omega it signifies completeness. In reference to Jesus Christ it signifies His completeness and demonstrates Him to be the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Jesus is complete. He was with God in the beginning and He will be with God in the end. Jesus is the beginning and the ending.

Who then is this Alpha light who was at the beginning according to Jonathan Cahn. **The bible refers to Satan as being an "angel of light"** in 2 Corinthians 11:14-15. Lucifer is a Latin word that means "light bearer". It comes from the translation of Isaiah 14:12 where Satan is called הֵילֵל heylel (hay-lale'), in Hebrew meaning "**the morning-star**" (in the sense of brightness i.e. first (alpha) morning light) and its root word means "to shine". So as we can see Satan is seen as someone who not only gives light, but who desires to be the "first (alpha) light." Satan's agenda is to usurp God's throne, as the bible tells us:

Isaiah 14:12-14 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! ...For you have said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north... I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like (compared to) the most High."

Now we can see why Satan in Luciferianism refers to himself as the Alpha light because he is still trying to be higher than God. Jonathan Cahn says, "**Learn the secret of using the Alpha Light in every circumstance to change everything.**" What he is actually telling us to do is to learn to turn to Satan the Alpha light, instead of Jesus Christ – who is the way, the truth and the life and also the true LIGHT of the world.

Let's hear what Freemasons have to say:

LUCIFER PRAISED AS THE LIGHT-BEARER OF FREEMASONRY

Albert Pike said, "Lucifer, the **Light-bearer!** Strange and mysterious name to give to the Spirit of Darkness! Lucifer, the Son of the Morning! Is it he who bears the Light, and with its splendors intolerable, blinds feeble, sensual, or selfish souls? Doubt it not!" [*Albert Pike, Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, p. 321, 19th Degree of Grand Pontiff; Emphasis added*]

What a revelation! From the first (alpha) degree, the first (alpha) Initiation, the Mason is urged to "**seek the Light!**" The average Mason is continually saying that he is "seeking the Light", and will spend his entire life "moving toward the Light." Almost every person in Western Civilization will assume that this "Light" is revelation from the God of the Bible; indeed, this statement is held up continuously to try to convince us that Masonry is Christian. Yet, here, Albert Pike is saying that Lucifer is the One who bears the Light of Freemasonry!

Lucifer is the Light-bearer of Freemasonry — see: <http://www.cuttingedge.org/free11.html>

The State of Onement

Cahn states: The Mystery of Yom Kippur and the Bible itself is about becoming one with God. **Most believers never enter it, but you can** learn how to live in the state of Onement. (If you are willing to spend your money on his books and DVD's he is more than willing to teach you how to attain "Onement" with God).

Kabbalah is essentially an occultic system, and thus must be classified among all other occultic systems as being incompatible with the historic Judeo-Christian faiths. Its theology is essentially pantheistic in that it teaches that all **reality springs directly from God's own essence.** In Kabbalah belief, the conclusion is inescapable, which is we **achieve oneness with God** because everything is made out of "His essence" thus, ultimately, we are gods. Such a concept is incompatible with the biblical God, who created the world out of **nothing, not out of Himself** (Gen. 1:1). The Hebrew word for "create" is "bara," which indicates something coming out of nothing. Cahn's claim of "**achieving a state of Onement, reflect the Kabbalah's teaching on achieving a level of oneness with God.**" Kabbalah is based on a mystical method of interpreting Scripture by initiates who claim to **penetrate sacred mysteries,** because they have achieved a level of "oneness with God." This is very much what Jonathan Cahn teaches.

Source: <http://www.equip.org/article/what-is-kabbalah/>

A state of onement? Jonathan Cahn says: "...the bible itself is about becoming one with God. **Most believers never enter it**, but you can." This is clearly advocating a higher level of spirituality of some kind, because until now only *some* Christians have attained it. Jonathan Cahn will give you the secret on how you can enter into a state of becoming one with God (for a price of course). Occultists like to take the word "atonement" and break it down to another word "**at-one-ment.**" A truly born again child of God does not need to become "at-one-ment" or figure out how to find the "state of at-one-ment" with God because Jesus said,

John 14:20 "In that day (of His resurrection) **you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.**"

This means, when we are born again, He make us one with Himself, His (and our) Father and the Holy Spirit. You don't have to figure out how to become at-one-ment with God and neither do you become a god because of this.

As stated, Kabbalah believers say that, if you achieve the right level of spirituality, "you are not separate from God; **you are the essence of God.**" And as Jonathan Cahn teaches, in order to be "at-one-ment" with God you need to cultivate the mystical **original biblical Jewish richness and power** that he teaches is achieved through a "state of oneness" that we need in order to become a supernatural or divine being (god).

Jonathan Cahn promises to teach you the keys (for a fee of course) on how to **enter** into becoming one with God after you are saved – those who teach that **people need to become one with God are proclaiming another Gospel, another Jesus and are imparting to you another spirit!**

Karen's Conclusion

I am now convinced that Jonathan Cahn is dangerous, leading millions and I mean millions of Christians astray with his "new revelations, keys and mysteries." He appears on many false teacher's TV shows and tickles people's ears with his false teachings. Because they sound so "supernatural" and "mysterious." Christians need to be informed about this man and his teachings. We are living in the last of the last days and I believe there are going to be more men like Jonathan Cahn (possibly from a messianic stand point) coming to the forefront, however, they will be **even more charismatic and even more deceiving**, so much so that if it were possible even the Elect would be deceived. Please note, he does not believe in a Rapture. This in itself makes his endtime doctrines false.

Matthew 24:24 "For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect."

Jonathan Cahn is responsible for having shipwrecked the faith of many Christians through his false teaching and so-called prophecies. He refers to the **mystical rabbinical writings**³ from the Zohar POSITIVELY, saying that because God had inspired them

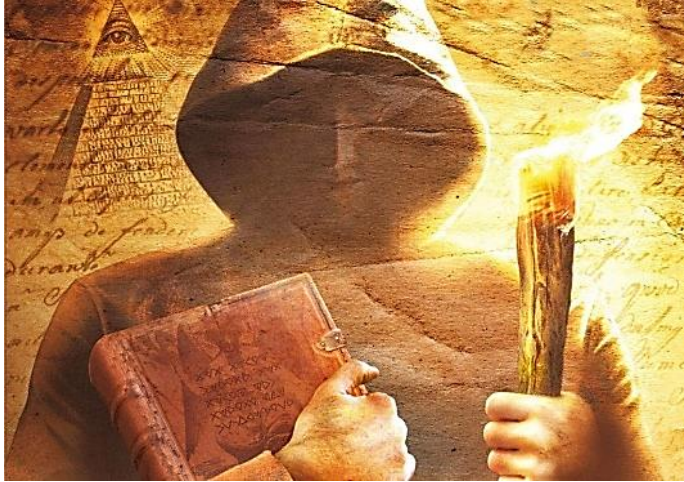
³ Excerpts from: <http://seraphimre.blogspot.com/search?q=Jonathan+Cahn>

Christians should "listen to the rabbis". He presents the Zohar⁴ as something that can be studied and its' depths plumbed for hidden mysteries. A vast majority of Christians are failing to understand that modern Kabbalah Judaism is a false mystical occult religion, embraced by Luciferians. Both Jesus and the Apostle Paul condemned its' practice. So why are so many Christians paying homage to Judaism?

Apparently, they have been deceived into believing the time has come for the false Jewish prophets of Mystery Schools that are prevalent in some Messianic Jewish circles, to come out of the closet and take a bow. Now that Christians have been trained to search for hidden messages in their Bibles, Jonathan Cahn has come out with his third book; "The Book of Mysteries." Does the Bible contain "mysteries," hidden codes and dates for Christians to distract themselves searching out? Absolutely not! God never intended for His word to be a book of mysteries to be unlocked. That is thoroughly based on Gnostic teaching. God said He would reveal HIS mysteries to his servants the (true) prophets. The brand of "mysteries" Jonathan Cahn presents are straight out of ancient occult Gnostic writings.

Firs, t we were presented with The Harbinger. Then the Mystery of the Shemitah. **Both were proven to be bogus mysteries by Bible Scholars from around the country.** And now once again we are presented with Jonathan Cahn's latest gimmick "THE BOOK OF MYSTERIES". Jonathan Cahn has portrayed himself to the world as a modern-day Old Testament Prophet who supposedly receives revelations from God, and has the ability to: UNLOCK MYSTERIES FROM THE BIBLE LIKE NO OTHER HUMAN BEING HAS DONE SINCE THE DAWN OF MANKIND, THROUGH DREAMS AND VISIONS AND OTHER WORLDLY ORACLES. MAN GIVE ME A BREAK! NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. THAT MEANS THAT KING SOLOMON, THE PROPHET DANIEL, THE APOSTLE PAUL AND EVEN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF COULD NOT MATCH UP TO JONATHAN CAHN BECAUSE THEY JUST DIDN'T MAKE THE CUT. BY BIBLICAL DEFINITION, THIS GUY JUST FITS THE BILL OF A FALSE PROPHET, WHO HAS DUPED MILLIONS OF CHRISTIANS AROUND THE WORLD WHILE CASHING IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FROM PROFIT SALES. AND HIS LATEST BOOK IS JUST ANOTHER PLOY TO COVER UP THAT FACT. It is very apparent that Jonathan Cahn is suffering from delusions of grandeur and that usually is a sign that this person may be an egomaniac and not even realize it.

⁴ QUOTATION FROM TED W. PIKE'S BOOK "ISRAEL OUR DUTY OUR DELIMMA" FROM PAGE 103: "The Kabbalah at this time was a Babylonian brew which included such occult features as REINCARNATION, NECROMANCY, CONJURATION, ASTRAL PROJECTION, COOPERATION WITH DEMONS, ASTROLOGY, NUMEROLOGY, AND A VAST SYSTEM FOR THE USE OF CHARMS, AMULETS & INCANTATIONS". In short, most of what was distinctive of BABYLONIAN & EGYPTIAN SORCERY WAS INCLUDED IN THE ZOHAR! Even today virtually all occult systems (especially THEOSOPHICAL ONES) and practices, including WITCHCRAFT & SATANISM, borrow heavily from the KABBALAH (AS PRESERVED IN THE ZOHAR) in their rituals and symbolism".



"Gnosticism is a very old heresy that teaches that the truth has to be decoded, uncovered, unlocked, unveiled, and discovered".

Secret Knowledge = Gnosticism

Gnosticism is a heresy because, according to God, we are given all that we need for life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3) in God's word. We don't need to decode secret mysteries, unravel sealed up messages, decipher clues, or pull back the veil on hidden things.

All that we need, all that God wants us to know, is contained in the Bible.

Going back for a minute to Cahn's original work "The Harbinger," let's look at the title. The word, "Harbinger" is kind of an old-fashioned word referring to someone or something that foreshadows an upcoming event. But its use tells us something about the beliefs of the writer Jonathan Cahn, just as the use of certain terminology by John Nelson Darby makes his association with Theosophy clear. Interestingly, Helena Blavatsky frequently used the term "Harbinger," in relation to Lucifer.

THE FOLLOWING IS AN EXCERPT FROM THE BACK COVER OF THE HARBINGER:

"Before its end as a nation, there appeared in ancient Israel nine specific warnings and OMENS of national destruction – These same nine HARBINGERS are now manifesting in America with profound ramifications for America's future and end-time prophecy".

Anyone who believes that the Harbinger is based solely on the inerrant word of God will be subjected to a great delusion. Jonathan Cahn introduces the concept of JEWISH MYSTICAL THOUGHT WITHIN THE HARBINGER to his readers vaguely under the following pages: 11, 40,97,240, & 242. THIS CONCEPT HAS A DIRECT BEARING ON JONATHAN CAHN'S EXTRA-BIBLICAL THEOLOGY. THE WORD HARBINGER ALSO MEANS OMEN. IT IS FORBIDDEN IN GOD'S WORD TO INTERPRET OMENS. ANYONE WHO DOES SO IS DABBING WITH THE OCCULT AND SHAKING HANDS WITH THE DEVIL. IT IS AN ILLEGITIMATE MEANS OF TRYING TO DETERMINE THE WILL OF GOD! SEE PASSAGE BELOW:

(Deuteronomy 18:9-11). "When you enter the land which the Lord your God gives you, you shall not learn to IMITATE the detestable things of those nations. There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, one who uses divination, one who practices witchcraft, or ONE WHO INTERPRETS OMENS, or a sorcerer, or one who casts a spell, or a medium or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead"



Omens are closely tied with fortune-telling and divination, as the omen must be “read” or “divined” by someone who knows how. Throughout the ancient world, omens (also referred to as signs and portents) were believed, divined, and obeyed. For example, in ancient Assyria if the king received an evil omen, he would go into hiding and the Assyrians would place a decoy king on the throne in anticipation that the evil event would befall the false king instead of the true one.

THE ABSOLUTE TRUTH: Jonathan Cahn’s nine harbingers were after-the-fact analysis or opinions of his own personal doing. **They are not really prophecies.** It was all an elaborate fabrication which duped millions of Christians around the world. It is a literary work based on EISEGESIS. What do I mean by that? **Eisegesis** (inserting into Scripture ones private interpretation or ideas) and it involves: 1) Imagination: what ideas do I want to present? 2) Exploration: what Scripture passage seems to fit with my ideas? And 3) Application: what does my idea mean? In eisegesis there is no cross-referencing with related passages of scripture, and no real desire to understand the actual meaning of the sacred text in its’ entire context as the biblical author originally intended for his readers. Scripture serves only as a prop to the interpreter’s idea.

There is so much to connect Jonathan Cahn to New Age Rabbinical Sages and their **MAN- MADE DOCTRINAL SYSTEM**, first and most obviously; **THE ZOHAR the premier text of occultic knowledge**, and The Babylonian Talmud, all having a direct correlation to Babylonian Paganism, Freemasonry, Kabbalah, Theosophy and Gnosticism. Jonathan Cahn before coming to Messiah was once involved with the occult at some point during his late teen years in search of spiritual truth. Unfortunately, this has continued to influence his critical thinking which is reflective in his apologetics and theology. A number

of years ago, Jonathan Cahn produced an 8 volume teaching series "**A GUIDE TO THE JEWISH WORLD.**" In this teaching series Jonathan Cahn quotes several times from the Zohar and Babylonian Talmud to supplement his teaching.

Jonathan Cahn over a period of many years has been tapping into these extra-biblical sources mentioned above, written by NEW AGE RABBINICAL SAGES in order to concoct many of his bogus mysteries which obviously has now been put into book format.

True and False Prophets

A TRUE PROPHET OF GOD IS ONE WHO GIVES A SUPERNATURAL SIGN OR MAKES A PREDICTION THAT IS FULFILLED, AND WHO ALSO TEACHES LOYALTY TO GOD AND HIS WORD. JONATHAN CAHN'S HARBINGER OF THE SHEMITAH NEVER CAME TO FRUITION. THEREFORE, BY BIBLICAL DEFINITION JONATHAN CAHN IS A FALSE PROPHET!

Another method the false prophets use to keep their following after the time for their prophecy has come and gone, is to say: "the precise timing of the prophecy can change" (even though they previously put a date on it). They say the event will still happen but of course it never does unless its fulfillment in time is obvious. If gullible people are going to believe these types of excuses then how can any prophet ever be proven false?

If a professing Christian gives a supernatural sign or prophetic prediction that is not fulfilled, he/she needs to immediately take the following steps:

- 1) Publicly acknowledge that the sign or prediction is totally false
- 2) Ask forgiveness from all Christians that were deceived
- 3) If people who were deceived suffered loss or damages, do everything possible to make amends and restitution

AS OF THE TIME OF THIS WRITING JONATHAN CAHN HAS NOT SATISFIED THE ABOVE 3 CONDITIONS.

Mystery Revelations⁵

How many times does someone have to make false prophecies before you can call them a false prophet?

⁵ SOURCE: <https://www.discerningtheworld.com/2015/07/15/why-jonathan-cahn-and-his-revelations-must-be-ignored/>

According to the Bible, the answer is “only once” (Deuteronomy 18:22). How many times does someone have to make false prophecies before Michael Brown calls them a false prophet? There doesn't seem to be a limit.

Twenty-five months ago, today, Jonathan Cahn's **The Mystery of the Shemitah prophecy failed to come to fruition**. His New York Times best-selling book (it made it to #2 in prophecy, #3 in religion and #129 in books overall) claimed that America was on a seven-year cycle and that upon the Jewish “**Shemitah**” there would be an imminent national collapse, signaling God's final judgment of the nation. The charismatic prophets – including Dr. Michael Brown – all nodded their heads in approval of Cahn's thesis, with Charisma Mag writing, **10 Things that are Going to Happen Within 15 Days of the End of Shemitah**. When asked on September 23, 2015 where he stood on the Shemitah (two days before it was to end), Dr. Brown said, “the jury is still out, and we will watch and see what is going to happen in the coming weeks.”⁶



Jonathan Cahn, helping Jim Bakker sell survival supplies, after having frightened the audience by his false apocalyptic prophecies.

Two years have gone by. Cahn's prophecies were garbage. Michael Brown is an embarrassing fool to think that the charismatic black magic of omen interpretation and astrology could predict the future. So, guess what Michael Brown did yesterday...he interviewed Jonathan Cahn on Line of Fire to help him sell yet another book attempting to portend future events. Keep in mind, Cahn's failed Shemitah prophecies followed on the heels of The Harbinger, which also contained failed prophecies. Make no mistake about it, there are few modern-day prophets with a track record more abysmal than Jonathan Cahn. But Michael Brown – who apparently does not have the Holy Spirit as

⁶ Read more at <http://pulpitandpen.org/2017/10/25/michael-brown-again-promotes-fake-rabbi-and-false-prophet-jonathan-cahn/#QagGi212q7SP0upo.99>

evidenced by his complete and total lack of spiritual discernment – continues to provide a platform for who is a demonstrably, provably false prophet.

Cahn was wrong on *The Harbinger*. Cahn was wrong on *The Shemitah*. Cahn was wrong in his follow-up book, *The Book of Mysteries*. And now his new book, *The Paradigm*, draws absurd and logic-stretching parallels between ancient and modern events.

Why Jonathan Cahn, His Mysteries, Keys and Revelations Must be Ignored

Rabbi Jonathan Cahn has been bothering me with his *The Harbinger* and now *The Mystery of the Shemitah* 'revelations'. Who is he exactly? Is he a born again Christian or is far worse than just your plain run of the mill false teacher? He calls himself a Rabbi yet the Jesus said, **Matthew 23:8** **“But do not be called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.”** He has been labelled a modern day prophet as he brings a prophetic message with "*The Harbinger*" where he blatantly implies that America is treading the same path for judgment as ancient Israel and connects Isaiah 9:10 to America. *The Harbinger* was published by Front Line, is an imprint of Charisma House which used to be known as Strang Communications run by Steve Strang, who is part of the New Apostolic Reformation.

Israel and a New World

The main problem with *The Harbinger* is that Jonathan Cahn equates America to be a replacement of Israel, a New Israel. He says in his book:

- ***The Prophet***: *“But there was one other—a civilization also conceived and dedicated to the will of God from its conception . . . America. In fact, those who laid its foundations . . .”* Noriel Kaplan: *“The Founding Fathers.”* ***The Prophet***: *“No, long before the Founding Fathers. Those who laid America’s foundations saw it as the new Israel, an Israel of the New World. And as it was with ancient Israel, they saw it as in covenant with God.”*

This is unbiblical. Jonathan Cahn is claiming that the Pilgrims (America’s founders who were Puritans – Calvinists) constituted America to be in a special covenant relationship with God like Israel is in a covenant with God. This is of course a lie, but they believed it never the less. He claims that America replaces Israel as the new Israel for a New World...Order. Israel is the only nation in a covenant relationship with God that was established through Abraham.

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2 Corinthians 6:14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?



Jonathan Cahn:
On Glenn Beck
TV The
Harbinger Part 1

(<https://youtu.be/rQnF9WGNW-U>)

Another country who also believes they are the *New Israel* is Britain, with the British Royal Family believing that they are descendants of King David. This is of course a lie. But they believe it never the less. This is called British Israelism (also called Anglo-Israelism).

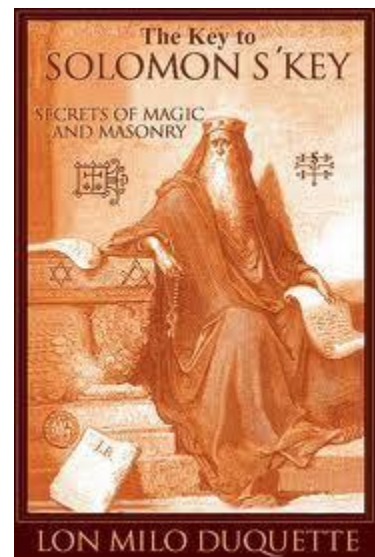
Freemasons, other occultists and unbelievers can't stand the fact that Israel is God's chosen nation and will do anything to replace Israel, literally and spiritually.

The King Solomon connection

Jonathan Cahn says in *The Harbinger*:

Kaplan: "Some link between this city and the ancient vow," I said. "Somehow Isaiah 9:10 has to be connected to Washington DC." (p.61). George Washington – Freemason

The Prophet: "Solomon was the king of Israel. Washington was the first president of the United States. There was something in the linking of ancient Israel and America, as



with all the other mysteries.”(p.109)

King Solomon was appointed by God Himself to be king, he was not an elected ruler.



George Washington was elected via vote to be President. There is a big difference between the two. George Washington was also a Freemason. When George Washington spoke of God, he was referring to Lucifer, not the God of the bible (ALL Masons know their god is Lucifer... because they are Luciferians). Freemasons are besotted with claiming Israel for themselves. **The Pilgrims proclaimed a false covenant with God** and were most likely Freemasons as well,⁷ hence

they could come up with such nonsense as to claim America to be the New Israel. Freemasons also worship King Solomon who *they* believed to be the greatest magus (sorcerer) of all time. Is that why Jonathan Cahn connects King Solomon to George Washington because it's a satanic connection?

“The purpose of Masonry’s veneration of Solomon is not to advance an alternate view of history, but to present, however subtly, the archetype of the future human being — men and women who truly possess Solomon’s Key — the power to master our own demons and redirect their destructive energy to build the Temple of our own evolving soul.” --*Lon Milo DuQuette, The Key to King Solomon's Keys – Is this the lost symbol of Masonry, Second Edition*

⁷ Some say Freemasons did not exist at the time of the pilgrims because the Masons did not become formalized until 1717. However, in 1376 there were four representatives of the “mystery” or trade (craft) elected to the Common council in London and this was the first time for the use of the name “Freemasons.” SOURCE:<https://pilgrimjustpilgrim.wordpress.com/2016/10/28/the-freemasons/>



So, who is Jonathan Cahn then and what does he believe?

Well if you go to his website it says: “Jonathan Cahn is President of Hope of the World ministries, Senior Pastor and Messianic Rabbi of the Jerusalem Center/ Beth Israel in Wayne, New Jersey. He is also the author of the bestselling book ‘The Harbinger’. His teachings are broadcast daily over hundreds of radio stations throughout the United States and the world and on television. He ministers, as did the first Jewish messengers of the Gospel, sharing the message of Messiah to Jew and Gentile, Israel, and the nations. He has ministered before mass gatherings in India, Nigeria, Cuba, Mizoram, Honduras, Haiti, & throughout the world. His teachings are widely known for revealing the deep mysteries of God’s word and for the restoring of the new covenant message to its original biblically Jewish richness and power.”⁸

That is very interesting. So Jonathan Cahn knows the deep mysteries of God’s Word that Christians don’t know? And only Jonathan Cahn can reveal these mysteries to us? Jonathan Cahn’s plan is also to restore the message that Jesus Christ preaches to its original "Jewish richness and power." So until Jonathan Cahn came along all born again believers for the last 2000+ years that have been reading the Scriptures were reading a bible that had no value and no authority what-so-ever. Isn’t that nice, that Jonathan Cahn came to save the day. What does he mean by all ‘**richness and power**’? Does he mean that we need to infuse the Bible with Kaballah mysticism in order to understand it properly? **The Illuminati are practitioners of the occult Kaballah that is also practiced by Judaism...** to which Jesus said those who were practicing Judaism were following their father the devil. (John:41-44)

- (Mark 7:5, 9) Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders (authors of the demonic Talmud)... And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition (Talmud and Kabbalah).

Here is another version of his biography that was on his website but the link has now been removed:

“Jonathan Cahn is President of Hope of the World ministries.... Descended of the line of Aaron, he has been asked to sound the Jubilee trumpet and

⁸ [Emphasis added] <http://www.bethisraelworshipcenter.org/aboutjonathan.htm>

minister among the nations, a prophetic ministry of and to the Jew and the Gentile in the last days. His teachings include the revealing of ancient mysteries, the depth and wonders of God's Word, and the restoration of the Gospel message in its original Biblically Jewish context, richness, and power."

Who asked him to sound the Jubilee trumpet? And what does that mean exactly?

There is a movement called the 'Hebrew Roots Movement' where they believe that you cannot understand the bible unless you go back to your Hebrew ways (become involved with Judaism) and read extra biblical sources such as the Midrash, Zohar and the Talmud etc., to gain a higher enlightenment of the Scriptures.

The Berean Call says:

"The late Jewish scholar and researcher of first century life in Israel, David Flusser, said rightly; "Jesus was a Jew in every way" (*Jewish Sources in Early Christianity*, Adama Books, New York, 1987, p.7). There is absolutely no denying that Jesus was born a Jew and lived an observant Jewish life. He did this to fulfill completely every demand of the law, He did it for us and He continues to do it in us if we are true believers.

(Rom 8:3-4) For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh... that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

So if we want to be like Jesus, does that mean that we must become observant Jews, as some allege? Is that what being like Jesus really means? Should Gentile believers try to be Messianic Jews? Can they? Should Gentiles don a yarmulke, worship in a synagogue, blow a shofar, wear a prayer shawl, call Jesus Yeshua or Yeshu, keep the Old Testament feasts and dietary laws, and give their pastors the title of Rabbi, even though (Matthew:23:8) says otherwise?

Are Jewish ceremonies and practices efficacious? Do we need to restore first century or later Jewish practices to really be good Christians? The Pharisees practiced all the ceremonies, but again theirs is a cautionary tale since Jesus told them that they did these things in vain...

(Matt 15:7-9) Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: "These people draw near to Me with their mouth, And honor Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me... And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." See also (Matthew 23).

So, is Jewishness next to godliness? One very modern movement would answer the question with a loud-"yes, more or less!" This growing movement is called the Hebrew

Roots Movement (HRM). Unfortunately, it lacks a shared, coherent, consistent theology, an internal mechanism of doctrinal control, and it is filled with mavericks who seem to be making it up as they go along in terms of attachment to Jewish accoutrements.” For more on the Hebrew Roots Movement read this article: [Bewitching Believers Through the Hebrew Roots Movement](#)⁹

Did the Zohar greatly shaped Jonathan Cahn’s writings?



I had no idea we needed to be taught new revelations from **Gnostic books** such as the Zohar (Kabbalah). In this video below we see Jonathan Cahn preaching new revelations about the Bible from an extra-biblical source called the Zohar. He even states that the Holy Spirit had a hand in inspiring rabbis to write what they did in the Zohar!! Notice he also states that the Zohar says the "dew" from Golgotha is the salvation of the world, and the center of God's mercy (REALLY? I thought it was the blood shed on the cross of Calvary!) he goes on to say this dew is the "light of the ANCIENT ONE" (this is a clear reference to the god of the (Kabbalah) Zohar ... LUCIFER). Listen to him also giving credibility to the prophecies of the Kabbalah Rabbis by putting them in the same category as the prophecies of Moses and Daniel! Watch Jonathan Cahn: The Zohar Speaks – Golgotha¹⁰

Jonathan Cahn’s response regarding his quoting the Zohar (Q&A from [here](#)):

⁹ <https://www.theberean.org/content/january-2014-bewitching-believers-hebrew-roots>

¹⁰ <https://youtu.be/82wU1XKonl0>

- **Question:** *It is stated that Jonathan Cahn “says that Zohar, an extrabiblical, mystical source from which the occultic and mystical Kabbalah is derived, greatly influenced his writing.”*

Cahn' Answer: *“Unfortunately this kind of statement represents some of the extreme and bizarre opposition to The Harbinger – It is an extreme false accusation. No. I have never in my life said that the Zohar has greatly influenced my writing – nor has it ever. What this accusation is taken from and twisted out of recognition from – Is that I have in some **special teachings** shared quotes found in the rabbinic writings which unwittingly bear witness of the truth of the Gospel – things that most Jewish people have no idea of – such as Isaiah 53 being about the Messiah, or God being Three in One, Messiah dying for our sins or a connection made between the mercy of God and the word “Golgotha.”*

Cahn continues: *These things can be used to share the Gospel. This has been a standard method of apologetics and evangelism for ages. Rabbinical writings, mystical or otherwise, have been quoted for ages, in Bible commentaries, apologetics, works such as The Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah, etc. To take this and then present it as if I or any Christian pastor or scholar is a secret follower of such things because they used a quote to bear witness of the Gospel is, as, one minister friend of mine would say – shameful at best. It should not have even appeared in print.*

Dave Mosher Note: Isaiah 53 in our Bible clearly describes the suffering of Jesus Christ. Why does Cahn need to appeal to occult, mystic Jewish documents like the Zohar/Kaballah to get Jewish people to listen? Isn't reading the Bible itself sufficient for Cahn?,

Cahn continues: *The apostle Paul actually quoted from a pagan hymn to Zeus in order to share the truth of the Gospel at Mars Hill. [Dave Mosher: This argument has been used by many heretics to justify their quoting Catholics, Buddhists, etc.] If we were to then to accuse him of being into Zeus worship, or that pagan writings were behind the epistles, or accuse of him of being secretly pagan – I would think we would need to repent. It's called bearing false witness.”*

Karen says: Sorry, for me his gnostic logic does not follow. God condemns the “mixture” of truth and error! If Cahn is the born again Christian that he claims, he should condemn the ungodly, occult Zohar/Kaballah--not give it credibility by showing its mystical properties. He should not quote it, except in condemnation of its passages, and most certainly NOT to confirm the truth of the Bible!

Dave Mosher Note: Let's look at it another way – would a born again, biblically sound Christian:

- ... quote from a Catholic document to evangelize Catholics because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts?

- ... quote from a Mormon document to evangelize Mormons because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts?
- ... quote from a Jehovah's Witnesses document to evangelize Jehovah's Witnesses because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts?
- ... quote from a New Age document to evangelize New Agers because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts?
- ... quote from a Wiccan document to evangelize Wiccans because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts?
- ... quote from a Satanic document to evangelize Satanists because it seemed to contain some Christian thoughts? --<https://davemosher.wordpress.com>

Jonathan Cahn and the Illuminati

The answer is no! A born again Christians does not use and does not need extra biblical sources to preach the gospel. Keep in mind Freemason's are founded upon Gnostic teachings, and Jonathan Cahn appears to be a Freemason who teaches Kabbalah. Informed Christians know Freemason's delve into Gnostic teachings such as the Kabbalah. Is Jonathan Cahn a Freemason? A picture is worth a thousand words:



ILLUMINATI HAND SIGNS

CHRISTIANS BE ON YOUR GUARD: THESE OCCULTIC HAND SYMBOLS ARE INFILTRATING THE BODY OF CHRIST NOW! FOR MORE DETAILS WITH REGARDS TO THIS MASONIC HAND SYMBOL REFER TO THE FOLLOWING BOOK "MASONIC AND OCCULT SYMBOLS ILLUSTRATED" PAGES 237-239 BY AUTHOR DR. CATHY BURNS. ALSO BE SURE TO VISIT THE FOLLOWING LINK:

(<https://www.henrymakow.com/2015/03/Vulcan-Sign-is-Pure-Satanism.html>)



The Mystery of the Well Placed Freemason Hand Sign



Do you need some more proof? The pictures shows Jonathan Cahn showing the Hebrew letter for

Shin (ש) hand sign in Kabbalah, made popular by Dr. Spok in Star Trek also known as the Vulcan salute.



Jim and Lori Bakker are closely tied to Cahn... Which leads to the question: Why is Lori displaying the "Triangle of power" Illuminati sign??



The Triangle of Power is a hand gesture made by resting one's hands in front of the stomach so that the fingertips meet, with the thumbs and index fingers forming a rough quadrangular shape. Merkel of Germany is a well-known Illuminati member who has this as her signature gesture.

The Shemitah 2015

The Berean Call says:

This imposed Shemitah judgment was very specific and involved *only the nation of Israel*. Since no Gentile nations were ever obligated to keep the Shemitah, there is no scriptural basis for suggesting that any other nation would ever experience an imposed Shemitah judgment. Yet, this is precisely what Jonathan Cahn suggests that America has experienced. Cahn also wrongly implies that the Shemitah is essentially a universal *principle* that is somehow integrated into the order of the universe. Cahn makes the following assertion in his book:

- “Seven years-the biblical period of time that concerns a nation’s financial and economic realms.” [This and all quotes are taken from: Jonathan Cahn, *The Harbinger* (Lake Mary, FL: Frontline, Charisma Media/Charisma House Book Group, 2011)]



Although Israel was on a seven-year economic cycle, no biblical passages support Cahn’s idea that natural economic cycles of seven years exist for nations in general. He is infamous for his deceptive “eisegesis” (i.e. inserting personal interpretations into the Scriptures to convey a personal idea) Furthermore, financial experts have not identified any seven-year economic cycle.¹¹

If anything happened during The Shemitah (September 2015), it’s not because of God and a connection to Isaiah 9:10, it’s because the Freemasons who control this world are pushing the buttons and they are making things happen (in cycles of 7 as it’s a ‘magic’ number) for their own purposes to further the progress of a New World Order.

Christine Lagarde from the IMF, tells us that the Illuminati are also very interested in the number 7 and cycles of 7. Jonathan Cahn is using these Harbinger and Shemitah fables to catch millions of unsuspecting Christians into thinking that it’s God’s timing and God’s hand at work, when in fact it’s Satan’s timing, and Satan’s hand at work.¹²

¹¹ --<http://www.thebereancall.org/content/october-2014-extra-shemitah>

¹² <https://youtu.be/QYmViPTndxw>

Occult Teaching: God of all Nations



Title: Jonathan Cahn on TBN: Why would a Christian like Jonathan Cahn appear on the Vatican's television channel called TBN? (https://youtu.be/sDptCJCYi_w)

God is not God of all nations; he is not God of this world. Satan is the god of this world.

2 Corinthians 4:4 “In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”

Satan is the prince of this world:

- John 12:31 “Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.”

We read that Satan influences the unsaved people of this world, he influences unbeliever's hopes, dreams, ideals and opinions etc.

- Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

So then who is the God of all nations? None other than Satan of course. 2 Kings 17:29 “Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.”

For Jonathan Cahn who claims to be a Christian to not know who the god of this world is, is shocking to say the least. His god is Lucifer/Satan, and his god is ruling this world.

I have chosen below a couple of videos from this list on Cahn's website and found the corresponding video on YouTube where Jonathan teaches occult teachings:

Title: The Alpha Light Message Number: 1932

Date: 2014-12-21

Summary: Cahn teaches that from the beginning of creation to the incarnation and the resurrection – it all begins with light. And not just light, but the alpha light. It is the alpha light that has the power to change everything. Learn the secret of using the Alpha Light in every circumstance to change everything.



So, who is this Alpha light Jonathan Cahn is speaking about? The Bible says about God, “I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.” (Revelation 22:13) It does not say I am the Alpha light.¹³ Cahn also says: “From the beginning of creation to the incarnation and the resurrection, it all begins with light.” This is a lie, it all began with the Word of God. The bible says, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”** (John 1:1).

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet. Omega is the last letter of the Greek alphabet. In modern usage it would mean “from A to Z”. By combining the two, Alpha and Omega signifies completeness. In reference to Jesus Christ it signifies His completeness and demonstrates Him to be the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Jesus is complete. He was with God in the beginning and He will be with God in the end. Jesus is

¹³ (<https://youtu.be/7uLnNVv7510>)

the beginning and the ending. Who then is this Alpha light who was at the beginning according to Jonathan Cahn? The bible refers to Satan as being an “angel of light” in...

(2 Corinthians 11:14-15). Lucifer is a Latin word that means “light bearer”. It comes from the translation of Isaiah 14:12 where Satan is called (hay-lale’) in Hebrew meaning “the morning-star” (in the sense of brightness) and its’ root word means “to shine”. So as we can see Satan is seen as someone who gives light. Satan tried to usurp God’s throne, the bible says:

- **Isaiah 14:13-14 “For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north... I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.”**

Now we can see why Satan in Luciferianism refers to himself as the Alpha light because he is still trying to be higher than God. Jonathan Cahn says:

“Learn the SECRET of using the Alpha Light in every circumstance to change everything.” What he is saying is this, learn to use Satan the Alpha light, instead of Jesus Christ – the way, the truth and the life.”

- Where in Scripture are we EVER told we can OBTAIN SECRET KNOWLEDGE TO CHANGE EVERY CIRCUMSTANCE... WE ARE NOT GODS. These are the beliefs and teachings of Satan's Luciferians.

Let’s hear what Freemasons have to say:

LUCIFER PRAISED AS THE LIGHT-BEARER OF FREEMASONRY

“Lucifer, the *Light-bearer!* Strange and mysterious name to give to the Spirit of Darkness! Lucifer, the Son of the Morning! Is it he who bears the Light, and with its splendors intolerable, blinds feeble, sensual, or selfish souls? Doubt it not!” [Albert Pike, *Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry*, p. 321, 19th Degree of Grand Pontiff;]

What a revelation! From the first degree, the first Initiation, the Mason is urged mightily to “*seek the Light!*” The average Mason is continually saying that he is “seeking the Light”, and will spend his entire life “moving toward the Light”.

Almost every person in Western Civilization will assume that this “Light” is the revelation of the God of the Bible; indeed, this statement is held up continuously to try to convince

us that Masonry is Christian. Yet, here, Albert Pike is saying that Lucifer is the One who bears the Light of Freemasonry! Lucifer is the Light-bearer of Freemasonry --¹⁴

Title: The State of Onement Message

Number: 1918

Date: 2014-10-05

Summary: The Mystery of Yom Kippur and the Bible itself is about becoming one with God. Most believers never enter it, but you can. How to live in the **state of Onement**.

'A state on onement?



Jonathan Cahn says: "...the bible itself is about becoming one with God. Most believers never enter it, but you can."

This is clearly a higher level of spirituality of some kind, because until now only some Christians have attained it. Jonathan Cahn will give you the secret on how you can enter into a state of becoming one with God.

Occultists like to take the word "atonement" and break it down to another **word "at-one-ment"**. A truly born again child of God does not need to become "at-one-ment" or figure out how to find the "state of onement" with God because Jesus said, (**John 14:20**) "In

¹⁴ <http://www.cuttingedge.org/free11.html>

that day [His resurrection] you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.” When we become born again, He make us one with Himself, His (our) Father and the Holy Spirit. You don’t have to figure out how to become at-one with God and neither do you become a god because of this New Agers believe that “you are not separate from God; every person is born a piece of God.” In order to be “at-one-ment” with God you need to meditate and believe that God is in everyone and everything including yourself. A “state of oneness” means that you need to find the Christ within, and become a God. Jonathan Cahn teaches that he will give you the keys on how to enter in becoming one with God after you are saved – those who teach that people need to become one with God are proclaiming another Gospel, another Jesus and another spirit.

Conclusion

Jonathan Cahn is a Freemason leading million of Christians astray with his new revelations, keys and mysteries. He appears on every false teacher's TV show and tickles peoples ears with this false teachings. People need to ignore this man and his teachings. We are living in the last of the last days and I believe there are going to be more men like Jonathan Cahn (possibly from a messianic stand point) coming to the forefront however they will be even more charismatic and even more deceiving, so much so that if it were possible even the Elect would be deceived. Please note, he does not believe in the Rapture... and believes Christians are going to go through the Tribulation.

Matthew 24:24 “For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.”

DOES THE BIBLE FIND THOSE WHO ASSOCIATE WITH FALSE TEACHERS GUILTY?

The Bible is very clear on the sin of evil associations.

(Psalm 1:1-6) Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore, the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Please note the downward spiral road of apostasy. First, they walk, then they stand and eventually they sit.

Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. (2 John 1:9-11)

Whereas today's false teachers tolerate each other's pet heresies and bid one another Godspeed by pronouncing a blessing on their so-called Godly inspired ministries, the early church never even greeted them or provided them with any kind of support or hospitality. In fact, those who tolerated false teachers were said to be partakers in the dissemination of their evil doctrines. We find the very same sentiment expressed in Matthew 18:6, 1 Corinthians 3:16-17 and (Revelation 18:4). John, under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost says, that God will strike anyone who follows and supports false teachers' dead.

(Revelation 2:20-23) Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works. (Emphasis added).

Please note the very strong words "kill their children with death." Why would He **say "kill . . . with death"** when killing automatically includes death? Because it is a very strong mode of Hebraic expression, meaning that He has no reservations about his resolve to destroy them. If these profound words do not strike fear and trembling into the hearts of those who associate with false teachers then nothing will. In fact, the Bible says they will wax worse and worse.

(2 Timothy 3:12-13) Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

A DECEPTIVE ARGUMENT USED IN DEFENSE OF EVIL ASSOCIATIONS— CALLED RELATIONAL SPIRITUALITY

One of the first arguments contemporary religious leaders throw at you in defense of their association with false teachers and other religions is that Christian spirituality is grounded in a relational paradigm rather than a doctrinal one.

Marcus Borg (the spiritual freak who said Jesus' body was probably eaten by dogs) wrote:

“The sacred is not “somewhere else” spatially distant from us. Rather, we live within God . . . God has always been in relationship to us, journeying with us, and yearning to be known by us. Yet we commonly do not know this or experience this. . . . We commonly do not perceive the world of Spirit.”

Let us heed Johan Geyser's good advice that: *“all Christians' spirituality should be a biblical spirituality”* and study God's Word to see whether Marcus Borg's and his own presupposition that we all live in God and that the air we breathe is the (God's) Spirit (Ruah), is true. What does the Bible say?

(Romans 8:9) But if anyone does not possess the [Holy] Spirit of Christ, he is none of His [he does not belong to Christ, is not truly a child of God].

We must not place our faith in human teachers, but only in the Word of God. If we allow the Holy Spirit to teach us God's Word, and spend time studying it, then when we hear a false teaching we will know it is not truth!

(1 John 2:20, 27) But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things... But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things...



When A False Teacher Calls America "Israel"

A Review of “*The Mystery of the Shemitah*” by Jonathan Cahn

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With comments from
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When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God. But the Lord's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted heritage. (Deuteronomy 32:8-9 ESV)

Jonathan Cahn, a popular Christian author, claims that his books reveal mysteries and predict the future. He thus portrays himself as like the Biblical prophets, including the claim of having new revelations. The main point of his book is that America is a second Israel and that she is being judged according to the seven-year Sabbath law called "shemitah" that was given to ancient Israel. This judgment manifests itself in seven-year cycles of stock market collapses or other cataclysmic events. The next one is due the fall of 2015, according to Cahn. I will show that these claims are false and that Cahn is not a true prophet of God.

Prophets Reveal Mysteries

The apostle Paul claims that he was chosen by God to reveal mysteries as were the other apostles. The gospel itself was the mystery of which he spoke. We see this in Ephesians 3:

That by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs

¹⁵ <http://www.cicministry.org/commentary/issue129.htm>

and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel, (Ephesians 3:3-6)

A mystery is something that would not be known had God not chosen to reveal it through His appointed spokespersons. These are Moses and the prophets in the Old Testament, and Christ and His appointed apostles and prophets in the New Testament. The writings of the Biblical prophets in Scripture are inerrant and infallible. In the Scriptures we have revealed all the mysteries that will be known until Christ returns.

However, Jonathan Cahn, who is not one of the Biblical prophets, claims to reveal mysteries: "*The Harbringer* and *The Mystery of the Shemitah* are not only revealing mysteries but also the sounding of the alarms."¹ Cahn's claim to be a revealer of mysteries is strong and severely problematic: "Much that will be revealed in this book has never before been revealed in written form" (Cahn: 2). This is a rather bold claim that echoes the apostle Paul's cited above. He claims to have special revelation like the biblical authors. The problem is that Cahn did not see the resurrected Christ and was not appointed by Him like Paul and the other apostles. Cahn has no standing as an apostle or prophet and his writings are not binding as Scripture is.

Referencing his previous book Cahn repeats his grand claim: "*The Harbringer* contains 14 major revelations or mysteries" (Cahn: 4). Unlike Paul and the other apostles, Cahn was not personally taught by Christ, but he still claims prophetic status based on subjective, inner voices: "I heard an inner voice say, 'There's a mystery here. You must seek and find it'" (Cahn: 9). Religious leaders claiming special revelations and special status are nothing new. Hundreds of false groups have started that way. We need to decide whether to believe anyone who claims special revelation beyond Scripture.

When Questions Imply Everything and Teach Nothing

One of the annoying characteristics of many postmodern writers is to use questions that seem to make a claim but have built-in deniability. I noticed this trend when researching the Emergent movement for a book I wrote. They ask questions but refuse to make objective statements, thus creating confusion while appearing to teach something. Cahn follows a similar process, filling his books with suggestive questions so that readers have to scour through every word (as I did) to find out if these are meant to be definitive statements. For example: "Could the mystery of the Shemitah still be at work—moving, impacting, and altering the course of world history—even in the modern world, even in our day"? (Cahn: 42). So he creates confusion with a question, when in fact this is a claim he is making—which I will show is a false one. The Law of Moses that requires cancelling all debts every seven years is not binding on any but Israel in the Old Testament, so it can hardly be the key to world history. Cahn is the master at sowing confusion.

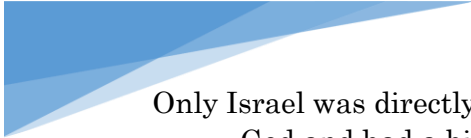
Is America the New Israel?

Cahn often repeats what I call our national myth—that America is somehow the new Israel. This myth goes back to beginning of our history but cannot be sustained by any

biblical standard. The myth is based on the belief that man can unilaterally make a covenant and bind God to it, without God having agreed to anything. Cahn claims, "Embedded in America's foundation is a prophetic warning. The warning was given on America's first day as a nation. It concerns what will happen if America should ever turn away from God" (Cahn: 21). For such a warning to be valid and binding, it would have to be issued by an infallible prophet who speaks for God, in this case, beyond scripture. Who, exactly, is America's Moses, or Jesus, or the apostles? Lacking any such person, God cannot have stated that America is Israel and has a binding covenant. That she does is our national myth.

The truth is that God draws out the boundaries of all nations through His providence. The truths revealed in Romans 13 and elsewhere. Only Israel was directly established by God and had a binding covenant mediated through Moses who God chose and appointed. America has neither a Moses nor a binding covenant. We are not the new Israel and never have been. The moral laws of God that do apply are found in the Bible and they apply to all people in all nations.

Cahn falsely claims that any nation can become a covenant nation: "Such a prophetic sign could be given to any nation as long as that nation in some way matched the description or shared the attributes of ancient Israel in 586 BC" (Cahn: 56). Cahn obviously fails to understand what Moses taught in Deuteronomy 32:8, 9 (cited at the beginning of this article). **Only Israel was directly under Yahweh, all the other nations are under the "sons of God."** No other nations had an Exodus, a Sinai, or a Moses. All nations are ruled by God's providence and are under the principalities and powers ('sons of God' of Deuteronomy 32:8). America is no exception. Cahn again repeats our national myth: "Those who founded America not only foretold its future blessing—but also gave warning. It was this: If America ever turned away from God, then the same judgments that fell upon ancient Israel would fall upon America" (Cahn: 61). Israel had Moses and the prophets who spoke inerrantly for God. Who speaks bindingly for God **beyond Scripture** for America? There is no such person.



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I reject Cahn's claim that America is somehow Israel. All the moral laws of God always apply to all peoples in all nations. They are revealed in Scripture. All geo-political entities have boundaries that are drawn out by God in His providence and have leaders that His providence allows. In these important ways America is like all nations. We are not Israel. Furthermore, no man or nation has the power or authority to bind God to a man-made, unilateral covenant. Unilateral covenants in the Bible are established by God, not man. We need to reject the myth that America is a special covenant nation and start thinking Biblically rather than mythologically.

No Seven Year Sabbath Law Applies to America

Israel as a covenant nation was given a special seven year Sabbath law that she did not keep. Judgment did come as a consequence. The law is stated in Exodus 23:10-11:

You shall sow your land for six years and gather in its yield, but on the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie fallow, so that the needy of your people may eat; and whatever they leave the beast of the field may eat. You are to do the same with your vineyard and your olive grove. (Exodus 23:10, 11)

This law is the "*shemithah*" that Cahn references. It is further defined in Deuteronomy:

At the end of every seven years you shall grant a remission of debts. This is the manner of remission: every creditor shall release what he has loaned to his neighbor; he shall not exact it of his neighbor and his brother, because the Lord's remission has been proclaimed.

(Deuteronomy 15:1, 2)

This release of debts is the *shemithah* and Cahn claims that this law is binding on America and that God has been judging us for not keeping it. Cahn marks that date on the Hebrew calendar as Elul 29: "On Elul 29, all debts are canceled and all credit released, and the nations financial accounts are transformed and wiped clean" (Cahn: 33). So he goes from this to the startling claim that this all applies now: "The result is not only relevant but also surprisingly applicable to our day: the effect and repercussions of the Shemithah extend into the nation's financial realm, economic realm, and the realms of labor, employment, production, consumption, and trade" (Cahn: 44).

Since there is no infallible prophet from God for America, we American citizens did not know we were under this all-encompassing law. Some of us bought mutual funds as part of an IRA. We did not know that God would require the cancellation of the hundreds of contracts that any given mutual fund represents every seven years. If we had known this, we never would have an IRA because it would be useless to help us in our old age. According to Cahn, we have been under binding law that we never knew about nor could we have known about. I certainly knew that Israel was under such a law, but was (and am) sure that I am under the New Covenant whose terms are spelled out in the New Testament. So in Cahn's version of things, there is an accumulation of moral guilt for breaking a law we had no way of knowing we were under. Furthermore, given the complexity of modern economics, contracts would be worthless if all were annulled every seven years. For example, who would lend money for someone to buy a house?

Stock Market Collapse as Proof of *Shemithah*

The main evidence that Cahn gives for his claims is the fact that cataclysmic events such as stock market collapses have happened according to seven-year patterns. He has pages of charts that document this. Supposedly this happens as God's judgment on America for not keeping the *shemithah* law that ancient Israel was under. For example,

Cahn writes: "Thus if the mystery of the Shemitah is still in effect, we might expect that there exists a connection between the Hebrew month of Tishri and a collapse in the financial realm—as in that of a stock market crash" (Cahn: 71). Interestingly, Cahn fudges on his claims and admits that *shemitah* was only binding on Israel:

Only Israel was compelled to keep the Shmitah *as an observance*. As an observance, the Shemitah applies to one nation. But as a prophetic sign, it may apply to any nation. As an observance, the Shemitah comes regularly, every seventh year. But as a sign, it is not bound to any schedule or regularity. But when it does appear, it will manifest the essence of the Shemitah, its effect and mystery, in the form of a sign. (Cahn: 76, 77)

If this is confusing to you, it should be, because it makes no sense. If the remission of debts every seven years is not binding, then how are we being judged for not doing it? Furthermore, if the seven-year pattern is not to be expected, then how does Cahn find the *shemitah* in the stock market where he sees a seven-year pattern? The only "prophetic sign" that remains is that the stock market sometimes drops and a lot of people lose money. Even though he claims the seven-year pattern is not necessary, his book has pages of material showing such a seven-year pattern. On pages 81 through 86 he documents a seven-year pattern by citing America's history with cataclysmic events. These, he says, are prophetic signs of judgment.

The process of proving this claim is very confusing. After admitting that we have no way of knowing whether the various seven-year events are landing on what would have been the Jewish *shemitah* if it could be traced forward through the millennia, he goes on to claim certain dates *are* the *shemitah*: "In the midst and depths of the collapse is the biblical Year of the Shemitah, which began September 1902 and ended on September 21, 1903" (Cahn: 83). But we really cannot know that. So by backwards reasoning he states that because certain events happen, it must be on the biblical *shemitah*. So goes the process of confusing the reader.

In a classic example of begging the question, Cahn states, "We have witnessed an amazing correlation. In the past four decades of modern history the economic and financial realms of America and the world have followed the ancient mystery that ordains economic cessation and financial collapse *taking place according to a seven-year cycle*" (Cahn: 99). The only real facts that Cahn has to go on is that the old covenant law of Israel ordained the seven-year Sabbath and sometimes the stock market drops precipitously according to seven-year cycles, but not always. Cahn shoehorns this into his implausible theory: "Could any of the five great peaks, apogees, downturns, and collapses of the last four decades bear a more specific connection to the *once-in-seven-years* Shemitah of ancient times"? (Cahn: 99). The reality is that it does not.

A stock downturn does not equate to the cancelling or remission of debts called for in the *shemitah* law. For example, if a person is invested in the stock market with a specific company or mutual fund, a downturn does not cancel the various contracts that are represented by the stock. That one's investment is worth less than it was is not the same as the annulment of the investment. The same stock still exists and may go back up again. In Israel they were told to annul the debt all together. So, Cahn is not even talking about

the same thing. Other than when there is a bankruptcy, that a given investment is worth less money does not mean it was cancelled and worth nothing at all. His categories are wrong.

Not only is this the case, but the pattern is not perfect. *Shemithah*, by law, had to happen every seven years (though as we know, Israel failed to keep it). Cahn admits that there was no collapse in 1994 though that year should have fit the pattern. He states, "Nothing has to happen in the next Shemithah" (Cahn: 238). Let us apply this to the next such event in September of 2015. What we know now, according to Cahn's categories, is that the stock market may collapse, or it may not. Cahn states, "The coming Shemithah will end September 2015" (Cahn: 239). So before I read his book, I knew that the American stock market may or may not go down this September. After I read his book I know that the stock market may or may not go down this September. I have gained no new knowledge of this matter. What kind of revealed mystery adds nothing to our knowledge? A rather worthless one I must say.

It is not clear to me how we repent of having stocks if we are not clear that it is a sin to do so. God is evidently angry with Americans making such investments, or at least not divesting themselves of them every seven years. I own a modest IRA that I started in the 1980's which managed to survive through these many cycles and I have some money to help pay medical bills. How does that make me a worse sinner and invite God's wrath?

It seems to me that Cahn is a guilt monger who never gives us a good way to repent of whatever it is that puts us into the supposed shemithah cycle. He needs to tell us straight up whether he knows it is a sin for any one of us to have an IRA or be involved in the stock market – and if so why. I cannot see this and intend to keep what I have available for future medical bills no matter what happens in September. I do not believe Cahn and do not accept the idea that he speaks for God. If I lose my investment, that is part of God's providence and I trust I will keep praising His name no matter what.

Confusing God's providential will and moral will is a common error. Providentially, God rules over His entire universe. What happens includes good and evil, **but God uses it all.** We can, and must, distinguish good from evil by using Biblical truth to know God's moral will and apply it to life. For example, we know that the murder of unborn babies is sin because humans are created in God's image, and human life is to be protected and honored. Cahn correctly identifies abortion as moral evil.

However, his assumption that stock market collapses or recessions are God's hand of judgment based on the *shemithah* law he identifies are tied to God's anger about abortion cannot be proven. We can prove from Scripture that abortion is moral evil but we have no authoritative prophet to state that seven-year stock market collapses are specifically God judging America for abortion. Nor can we link cataclysms in nature to judgment for certain sins **unless there is a true prophet who speaks for God to tell us this is the case.** Cahn's categories are wrong and he often identifies other issues that cannot be proven to be sin according to God's moral law.

Is God Angry About Tall Office Buildings?

Jonathan Cahn identifies the existence of tall office buildings such as those which were destroyed on 9/11 as sin which God is judging. He has a large section of his book describing towers as symbols of greatness, human pride, the tower of Babel and symbols of America's greatness. He claims that his first book cites a warning to America about this given in 1789. Tall towers are, in Cahn's mind, sin against God that will bring judgment.

Again, his categories are in error--confusing providence and God's moral law. The sin of the tower builders at Babel is clear in the Bible. Their tower was a ziggurat which was used for pagan religious purposes such as an astrological edifice. God's disapproval is clear in the Bible. It does not follow that office buildings are modern towers of Babel. Perhaps the motive for a tall office building is to have a small footprint in a dense city.

Suppose the total office space of one of the tall towers that Cahn objects to was built in Texas on a huge acreage of land, only spread out. Would God be happy with that office because it did not go up in the air? It is not clear in the Bible that it is a sin to build tall offices or to do business in such an office.

When I was in Bible College, I had a job in the tallest office building in Minneapolis to help pay my tuition. I do not believe I was sinning against God because of the location of my job. Cahn's categories are false and unbiblical. Providentially people have jobs in cities where some office buildings are tall. Are they thereby risking God's judgment because of the sinfulness of such buildings? No!

Cahn states, "We have seen it (the rising and crashing of world markets) coalesce with a mystery of the towers, again joined to the dynamics of rising and falling. And we have watched it move on the stage of world history determining the rise and fall of nations, the ascendancy of world powers and the collapse of empires" (Cahn: 228). What Cahn describes is God's providential rule over human history. Such rule does not mean that the height of office buildings is to be limited by God's moral law. It does not mean that we can discern God's moral law by watching who prospers and who does not. Jesus commented on this:

Now on the same occasion there were some present who reported to Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. And Jesus said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were greater sinners than all other Galileans because they suffered this fate? "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. "Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them were worse culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." (Luke 13:1-5)

What Jesus taught shows that we cannot discern who is or is not pleasing to God by studying various events that unfold in history. The gospel calls all to repent. America is not more sinful because of the existence of office towers, even if they are destroyed. The moral will of God is found only in Scripture.

America as One of the Existing Nations Since Creation

When the apostle Paul preached to the pagan worshippers at Athens, he spoke to them about the true nature of God, whom they did not really know. He preached Christ and the resurrection. In the course of his message, Paul stated: "*and He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation*" (**Acts 17:26**). This statement contains more theology than Cahn shows that he understands. If God determines boundaries and appointed times by His sovereign will, then Jonathan Cahn cannot discern God's moral will from studying history as he tries to do. Nations filled with wickedness sometimes prosper, and others that are less wicked are sometimes destroyed by powerful, wicked nations. Good and evil must be determined from the Bible, and not ...who does or does not prosper in history.

America is one of the many nations that has come into existence since creation. As I stated earlier, **America is not Israel, does not have a covenant with God and has always been characterized by both good and evil.** We know the difference only if we know and apply the Bible. Much evil has been done in this country in the name of God; that is clear. But we know that **only if we have true discernment that comes from solid Bible theology.** Some believed that the early settlers were like Moses and the Israelites, America was the new Israel and the native Americans the Canaanites.² America was "founded by God" no more or no less that all nations come into existence by God's providence. The only unique nation in the Bible was Israel.

Cahn buys into the lie that America is somehow the new Israel: "America, having been formed after the pattern of ancient Israel, was now following the course of Israel's apostasy. Thus it could be no accident that the same harbingers that appeared in the last days of ancient Israel were now reappearing in America" (Cahn: 230). If America never was the new Israel with a covenant like Israel's, then Cahn's entire thesis falls apart. As it is he feeds our national myth, perpetuates it, and uses it to falsely identify what is or is not "sin." It is not a sin to own stock in corporations nor is it sin to build tall office buildings. It is not sin to have a 30-year home loan that is not to be nullified in seven years. Cahn's categories are horribly confused and he thus dumps guilt on ordinary people going about ordinary life and fails to identify the true issues of postmodernity. **The prevailing idol of modern Americans is pagan nature worship. People honor supposed "mother nature" and refuse to come to Father God!** This issue Cahn never mentions.

The Year of Jubilee

As I read Cahn's *Shemithah* book I thought of Jesus' claim that in Him, the true year of Jubilee had come. We find that in Luke 4:18, 19:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, And recovery of sight to the

blind, To set free those who are oppressed, To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord. (Luke 4:18, 19)

In Christ we find release from sin and freedom from the bondage we were all in. Those who come to Christ are truly free.

The "favorable year of the Lord" is likely a reference to the year of Jubilee that was to be celebrated after seven sets of seven-year cycles. The year following would be the 50th, the year of Jubilee. This is described in Leviticus 25:22-17. Jonathan Cahn rightly describes the Jubilee as taught in Leviticus 25 (Cahn: 262). But he apparently is unaware that Jesus announced its fulfillment in Himself in Luke 4:19. Those who come to Christ find true and complete freedom from their unpayable debt of sin to God! The NET Bible notes explain: "*The year of the Lord's favor (Grk "the acceptable year of the Lord") is a description of the year of Jubilee (Lev 25:10). The year of the total forgiveness of debt is now turned into a metaphor for salvation. Jesus had come to proclaim that God was ready to forgive sin totally.*"³

Since the only true Jubilee is now found in Christ, there is no point to Cahn's claim that the seven-year cycle of Shemitah must be kept by America to avoid judgment. We do not need to know the cycles (which he admits we cannot), we need to come to Christ. To Cahn's credit, he does include the gospel in his book (Cahn: 250, 251). I rejoice that he points to the need for the salvation that Christ offers. But I lament that his book does not take into account the important ramifications of this. The Jubilee has come in Christ and we have no need to follow seven-year cycles that Israel never followed even when she was under them!

Conclusion

We only know God's moral will from the Bible. Trying to learn it from reading signs and world events is the realm of the pagans. Cahn's *Shemitah* book does the latter. God's moral will is not found in the stock market, only Scripture. There is more than one possible cause for whatever we observe in the world. To claim that because the Bible describes a seven-year law of *shemitah* and the stock market sometimes follows a seven-year cycle does not prove that the violation of the *shemitah* law caused the stock market events. Claiming so is a basic logical fallacy called "asserting the consequent." This fallacy is like saying that "all normal cats have four legs, Fido has four legs, so Fido must be a cat." There are other reasons for having four legs than being a cat.

The seven-year pattern that fuels Cahn's book is a massive logical fallacy. It takes the idea of a seven-year cycle and uses it to make it appear that America is the new Israel and is under a law that Israel was under. Neither is the case. This book will mislead anyone who believes it. Therefore, do not believe it.

BEWARE OF CHARISMA MAGAZINE

Karen's NOTE: I have included this article from Charisma Magazine, because it clearly demonstrates what has been said thus far in the previous articles regarding Jonathan Cahn and what I find especially clear is his way of imparting deception—through his use of questions that give false implications to his readers.



Jonathan Cahn, author of the best-seller *The Harbinger*, releases his newest book, *The Mystery of the Shemitah*, this month
(Brad Guice Photography)

Could a **mystery** that began on a desert mountaintop in the Middle East 3,000 years ago possibly be determining the direction of world history, the course of our lives and the specific events that await us in the days ahead? **(The answer is NO—although he would have you believe otherwise)**

Is it possible that the words of an ancient Hebrew text are controlling the rise and fall of the American economy, the timing of recessions, depressions and economic crashes, and the collapse of Wall Street and the great stock markets of the world? **(The answer is NO—although he would have you believe otherwise)**

And could an ancient mystery that held the key to the timing of Israel's judgment actually be determining the timing of critical and world-changing events in the modern world so precisely that it involves dates, hours, minutes and seconds? **(The answer is NO—although he would have you believe otherwise)**

I didn't plan on writing this article, much less a new book (just yet). I knew (and still know) I would ultimately write a sequel to *The Harbinger*, but I also knew this could only be written at the right time. *The Mystery of the Shemitah* is a book that no one person planned. I had initially agreed to help in the writing of a piece on the coming Shemitah. But as I began to prepare for it, I was flooded with new revelations—as I was with *The Harbinger*. And as with *The Harbinger*, *The Mystery of the Shemitah* flowed onto the pages, rapid-fire. The Shemitah is one of the 14 major streams of mysteries that first appeared in *The Harbinger*. I knew there was more to it, but just how much more there was and just how colossal were the ramifications was beyond anything I could have expected. Not only does it lie behind the rise and fall of the economy, the financial realm, Wall Street and the stock market, the mystery of the Shemitah also lies behind ...

- The rise of America to world power
- The First World War
- The rise of the Soviet Union and communism
- The collapse of the British Empire
- 9/11
- The atomic bomb
- The fall of Vietnam
- The Second World War
- The Third Reich
- The return of the Jewish people to their ancient homeland
- The collapse of the great colonial empires
- The Cold War
- The rising of the World Trade Center
- The Six-Day War and the return of Jerusalem
- A warning concerning a coming judgment to America
- What lies ahead ... and much, much more

It may sound like something from a Hollywood movie or science-fiction book, but it's real. In fact, the mystery of the Shemitah is so real it can be measured and quantified. It is so big and far-reaching that it has been affecting the lives of everyone reading this article since birth. **(Karen's Comments are in RED: What he is really talking about is the work of the illuminati, and if he is involved in Masonry, he is well aware of what he is doing).**

Two-and-a-half years ago, at the time of *The Harbinger's* release, I was asked to give an exclusive "peek" or revealing as to some of the mysteries contained in that book. With my new book coming out this month, I have now been asked to give an exclusive peek into some of the revelations contained in *The Mystery of the Shemitah*.

The Sabbath and the Remission

Most of those reading this know that for Israel, every seventh day was a Sabbath, a day of holiness and rest. But what many people, even believers, don't know is that the Sabbath was not only a day, but also a year (Lev. 25:1-4). During the Sabbath Year, there was to be no working of the land. All sowing and reaping, all plowing and planting, all gathering and harvesting had to cease by the end of the sixth year so the land could "rest and lie fallow" (Ex. 23:11). At the end of the Sabbath Year, something unique took place:

"At the end of every seven years you shall grant a release of debts. And this is the form of the release: Every creditor who has lent anything to his neighbor shall release it; he shall not require it of his neighbor or his brother, because it is called the Lord's release" (Deut. 15:1-2).

"At the end of every seven years" refers to the last day of the Sabbath year. On the biblical calendar, the day was called Elul 29. So on Elul 29, the very last day of the Sabbath year, a sweeping transformation took place in the nation's financial realm. Everyone who owed a debt was released. And every creditor had to release the debt owed. Elul 29 marked the day all credit was erased, and all debt was wiped away. The nation's financial accounts were, in effect, wiped clean. It was Israel's day of financial nullification and remission. The word in Hebrew used for this remission was "shemitah." Thus Elul 29 became the Day of the Shemitah, while the Sabbath year was known as the Year of the Shemitah.

The Shemitah as the Sign of Judgment

The Shemitah bears witness that the land and, for that matter, the Earth, belong to God. It is only entrusted to man as a steward. **(the Shemitah was only applicable to Israel—not the whole earth—here he is misusing the Scriptures to plant a lie and false teaching).** God is sovereign. His sovereignty extends also to the realms of money, finances, economies and possessions.

The Shemitah declares that God is first and above all realms of life and must therefore be put first and above every realm. During the Shemitah Israel was, in effect, compelled to turn away from these earthly or worldly realms and turn to the spiritual.

But when ancient Israel moved away from God and the keeping of His commandments, one of which being that of the Shemitah, judgment came upon the land. It happened in 586 B.C. when Babylonian armies set fire to Jerusalem, left the land of Israel in desolation, destroyed the Kingdom of Judah and took the people captive into Babylon. But behind all this lay the Sabbath year. The exact timing of that judgment was based entirely on the mystery of Shemitah.

In Israel's rejection of God's way, the Shemitah turns from a sign of blessing to that of judgment. Thus the Shemitah became a sign of judgment against the nation that drove God out of its life and culture and placed money and material gain over God. **It (Shemitah) is a sign of national judgment that specifically strikes "a" nation's financial and**

economic realms. (This false insertion is the foundation for the rest of the false teaching that is taught on this subject from this point on.) In fact, the very effect of the Shemitah itself is very similar to that of an economic collapse and the crashing of stock markets.

Is the Mystery of the Shemitah Operating Right Now?

Is it possible that this **ancient mystery** that ultimately led to the judgment of ancient Israel is at work and operating in our day?

The amazing answer is **yes**. (The answer is **NO**—because the Shemitah is not an “ancient mystery” but is well known to anyone who has read their Old Testament history of Israel. Israel was judged by God for its disobedience to God’s commands—violating the Shemitah [the remission of debts and rest to the land] being only one of many commands of God that they disobeyed and again the Shemitah applied ONLY to Israel, therefore, judgment upon America is not a “Shemitah mystery” at work. Our judgment is the result of the failure of the church in America to stand up and fight the good fight of faith, by preaching repentance and the true gospel to the sinners in this land.)

(All of the following examples that Cahn gives from this point on are planned events by the illuminati to bring down this nation and other nations of the world in order to establish their **NEW WORLD ORDER**—therefore, these events have nothing to do with the mysterious power of the Shemitah. **Keep in mind that the Illuminati, who are Kabbalists, are very aware of the Jewish laws, Biblical dates and Feast days, and they use the Jewish calendar for planning many of their events.**)

One of the most dramatic manifestations of this biblical phenomenon took place on Sept. 29, 2008. On that morning, the opening bell of the New York Stock Exchange refused to ring. Then came the greatest stock-market point collapse in Wall Street history. Massive amounts of money were wiped out as financial accounts were nullified.

On what day did this greatest collapse take place? On the biblical day of Elul 29, the central day of the mystery of the Shemitah, the very day appointed to wipe out the financial accounts of a nation. And it was not only the day, but the year. The greatest wipeout of financial accounts in American history took place on the Elul 29 that only comes around once in seven years, the exact biblical day of financial nullification.

It is a mind-boggling phenomenon. And yet it's just the beginning. If you go back seven years earlier, according to the ancient seven-year mystery, you end up in September of 2001, the month of 9/11. But it was also the month of the *other* greatest crash in Wall Street history, up to that day. It took place on Sept. 17. On the ancient biblical calendar, this other greatest crash in American history took place on Elul 29, *the exact same day*—and the day that just happens to be appointed in the Bible *for the wiping away of financial accounts!*

On top of that, the crash of 2001 was caused by the terrorist-inspired events of 9/11. Thus, all these things only could have taken place on the exact date they did in

accordance with the ancient mystery, if the timing of 9/11 was also in accordance with the ancient mystery. Thus, even behind 9/11 lay the ancient mystery of the Shemitah.

And yet even this is only the beginning!

The Ancient Cycles and the Mystery of Cataclysms

Most people missed it. It appeared in two lines of *The Harbinger* on page 163 of the book, beginning with a question asked of the prophet by the story's main character, Nouriel:

"How far does the cycle go," I asked. "Every seventh year in the past ... and into the future?"

"The subject is for another time," he said.

The "another time" referred to by the prophet for revealing the answer is *now*. *The Mystery of the Shemitah* is, in effect, the revelation of the mysteries Nouriel was searching for. We don't have the space here to go into what is so gigantic that it resulted in a book that even I didn't expect. But in this article I will seek to give an idea or taste of some of what is involved.

Nouriel's question opens the door to the fact that the mystery is much bigger than could be contained in that exchange with the prophet and that the phenomenon of the Shemitah did not begin with 9/11. It has, in fact, been affecting, even guiding the course of our lives, from the moment of our births. *The Mystery of the Shemitah* reveals: **(Again, do your homework and you will find that all that is mentioned in the points below have happened at the hand of Satan's Illuminati—which God has permitted because of our rebellion towards Him—it has nothing to do with the power of the "Shemitah Mystery" at work.)**

- How this ancient sign of God has lay behind all of the greatest turning points and collapses in the financial and economic realm of the last 40 years.
- How the greatest single-day stock market *point crashes* in history have been determined by the mystery of the Shemitah.
- How the greatest single-day stock market *percentage crashes* in history have been ordained by the ancient mystery.
- How the majority of stock market crashes all cluster around a single month, the very month ordained in the ancient biblical mystery to manifest financial nullification.
- How every one of the five greatest point crashes in Wall Street history take place in proximity to the once-in-seven-years Day of Nullification.
- How the Shemitah lay behind the greatest financial and economic collapse since the Great Depression—the Great Recession.
- What all this portends for the future of Wall Street, the financial realm, the economic realm, and virtually everyone's bank account.

And yet this is only a part of the mystery. It gets even bigger still ...

The Mystery of the Towers

One of the most unexpected revelations in *The Mystery of the Shemitah* begins at Babel. **(The work of the Illuminati and the Masons began at Babel)**. It involves the connection between the building of high towers and the rise of world powers. **(The occult has always used “high places” to open gateways into the forbidden occult realm)**. This particular mystery is especially revealing concerning the rise (and fall) of America. It includes:

- How the rising of one particular tower ushered in the beginning of America's ascent to world power.
- How the same date of a critical prophetic warning given to America concerning a future apostasy from God reappears in the rising of the nation's high towers.
- How the mystery of the Shemitah was woven into the World Trade Center again and again from its conception to its completion to its destruction.
- How the mystery of the Shemitah is joined to the rising *and falling* of America's high towers.
- What the ancient mystery had to do with collapse of the towers on 9/11.
- The rising of the One World Trade Center tower at Ground Zero (the fourth of the nine harbingers), the strange omens that have accompanied its rise, and the connection between these manifestations and national judgment.
- What all this portends for the future of America and the world.

The Shemitah and the Rise and Fall of Nations

(It is incredible to see how much POWER—Cahn wants us to believe the “Mystery of the Shemitah” possesses). Perhaps the most far-reaching of the **Shemitah's manifestations** concerns the rise and fall of nations, kingdoms and empires. In ancient times, it lay behind the timing of Assyria's destruction, the rise of the Babylonian Empire, the fall of the Babylonian Empire and the rise of Persia. But amazingly, the phenomenon has not stopped. The mystery of the Shemitah lies behind:

- The greatest global cataclysms and shakings of nations in modern history.
- America's rise to world power in 1917 and to superpower in 1945.
- The fall of the Russian Empire and the rise of the Soviet Union and, ultimately, the Cold War.
- The convergence of World War II to the ancient cycle ordained at Sinai.
- A 28-year cycle that has brought about the shaking, the collapse and the fall of nations.
- The ancient appointed time of nullification and atomic warfare.

- A specific scenario and warning concerning the fall of America, the American Empire and the American age as we have known it.

The Mystery of the Seventh Shemitah and End-Time Prophecy

(If Satan is planning for the Illuminati to do what Cahn is claiming will happen—the devil is showing those of us who are able to discern—his future plans). Again, God has the last word on when and where everything is going to take place in these end times.)

Many people don't realize the connection of the Shemitah and the Jubilee. (Again the Jubilee like the Shemitah only applies to Israel). The Jubilee was actually a super or mega-Shemitah. As the Shemitah brought release, the Jubilee brought liberation, restoration, the redemption of possessions lost and the return of the dispossessed to their ancestral home. The Jubilee's timing was linked to the seventh Shemitah. Thus it could only take place in the year following the Shemitah.

The seminal event of end-time prophecy is the return of the Jewish people to their land and the liberation of their ancient city, Jerusalem. But behind this return is the mystery of the Shemitah moving on a prophetic stage and focused on the land of its beginning.

There has been no greater manifestation of the Jubilee in modern times than the restoration of the Jewish people to their land. It is the fulfillment, on a massive and prophetic scale, of the Jubilee's ordinance that every man return to the land of his fathers.

Yet the key in the timing of these events is contained in the seven-year mystery of the Shemitah. It involved a world war, the collapse of empires and a British general's march into the holy land. It would also dictate the timing of the Six-Day War and the return of Jewish soldiers after 2,000 years to the Holy City and the Temple Mount in 1967.

If the progression continues, there is even a possibility of a major prophetic event happening in the near future ...

The Mystery of the Shemitah and What Lies Ahead

There is now intense interest swirling around this ancient mystery ... for a very simple reason: The next year of the Shemitah *is now upon us*. In fact, it has just begun.

So what does the future hold? The book's subtitle reads: *The 3000-year-old mystery that holds the secret of America's future, the world's future ... and your future*. (We don't need Jonathan Cahn's book to know what lies ahead for America's future and our future—the Bible is quite clear about what we are going to face!) The mystery's precision with regard to the timing of world-changing events has been uncanny (It is not uncanny, nor is it a mystery, because it has all been planned as I have explained). In its last two manifestations, the Shemitah's Day of Nullification has pinpointed the day of greatest stock market collapse in American history, twice (Illuminati planned events).

This brings up two inescapable realities. The phenomenon of **the Shemitah is intensifying**. (Here is a good example of Cahn leaving us with the idea that the “Shemitah” is a powerful force). At the same time, America's moral and spiritual apostasy from God is likewise increasing in intensity, deepening and accelerating. Considering the link between the Shemitah and national judgment, these two phenomena are ominous.

The book contains the key dates concerning the ancient mystery with regard to the future—the form, nature and dynamic the mystery assumes, as well as the scenarios in which it manifests. I included this, as I believe we should be ready for what could take place. (Inside information from Illuminati sources are behind key dates!)

Two notes of caution, however: The first is that things do not have to happen as they have in the past. One cannot put **prophetic manifestations** into a box or onto a regular schedule and expect them to perform on cue. (Here he is giving himself a way out his **prophetic “dates”** if they don't work out. I am sorry, but true prophetic dates are ALWAYS accurate. Even though I have heard Cahn misuse the “Jonah” episode as an excuse for a prophetic occurrence not occurring. Keep in mind that Nineveh their judgment postponed through repentance, but eventually they were destroyed because they fell back into sin). The phenomenon does not have to manifest in every cycle or with the same intensity. (His use of the word “phenomenon”—meaning a remarkable occurrence—is a way of “bewitching” people or getting them “fascinated” with something that is false, which is a sure sign of sorcery at work). It may appear dormant in one cycle and manifest in the next. Nothing *has* to take place in this current year of the Shemitah.

This second is this: The mystery *can* manifest as it has before. If so, the pattern is generally that it is the *end* of the Shemitah rather than the beginning that bears the most dramatic repercussions.

Either way, God's people should be prepared. We should also take note that the Hebrew word *shemitah* not only means “the release or the **remission**,” but also “the shaking, the fall and the collapse.”(The Shemitah actually typifies the Christians ability to “remit or retain sins” as Jesus mentioned in (John 20:23)—unless we operate in our ministry of reconciliation and in the remitting of sins—people will fall and be destroyed through God's judgment.)

A Great Shaking

Whether or not it takes place in the parameters of the Shemitah, I believe a great shaking is coming to this nation (and the world). (Anyone who reads their Bible knows this) I believe the shaking will involve the financial and economic realm but not be limited to those realms. It may even begin in another realm. I believe it will involve a breakdown of functioning and a time of scarcity as a type of famine in the land. I believe it will strike the pride, power, blessings and glory of this nation. And most importantly, I believe its purposes, beyond that of the judgment of sin, will be to call those who will hear the call back to God. It will even be a wake-up call to God's people.

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A short synopsis on the Harbinger

When I first saw a short interview with Jonathan Cahn, I was intrigued at the points he presented. The video was compelling. He spoke of a series of nine signs, which he believed had taken place in America beginning with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Many have tried to insert a greater significance to the attacks on this day, trying to make sense out of such a ruthless act. Are there not other events in American history that are equally, if not more, as devastating as 9/11 (i.e., the Revolutionary war, the Civil War, or Pearl Harbor and WW2) Why are these not found to have biblical significance? Certainly, they brought more death and destruction than 9/11. (What of the 1929 crash?) Must we find America in the Bible? A country that has no mention in the Bible but may be indirectly mentioned or referred to with others (i.e., possibly implied, not by name, in Ez.38:13).

Then I further learned it was not just a video, but a book, subtitled *An ancient mystery that holds the secret of Americas future*. And it is called fiction, which means an invented story. “What you are about to read is presented in the form of a story, but what is contained within the story is real” (p. v.)

Let me quote what is said on the book:

The book traces a series of detailed parallels between what has happened in the United States since the 2001 terrorist attacks—including the economic collapse—and Israel’s history after it turned away from God. Told in fictional narrative, the book unfolds how nine signs concealed in recent events reveal God’s progressive judgment.

Hidden in an ancient biblical prophecy from Isaiah, the mysteries revealed in The Harbinger are so precise that they foretold recent American events down to the exact days. The revelations are so specific that even the most hardened skeptics will find it hard to dismiss or put down. It sounds like the plot of a Hollywood thriller with one exception... IT S REAL.

If one is going to state *Isaiah 9:10* contains an ancient mystery that holds the secret of America’s future, then it cannot be a fiction. If it is being presented as a fiction story when in fact it is directly connected to Scripture as a prophecy of judgment upon a nation, then one is denigrating the intent, diminishing its impact to actually have the result that it is supposed to carry. Is the demise of America now a story to entertain?

The DVD became a big seller on the faith chart at Amazon.com... premiered at No. 1 on Amazon’s New Release among several end time scenario books (published by *FrontLine*, an imprint of Charisma House). It hit the *New York Times* best-seller list within days of its release. It is also in the top 10 most popular documentaries of any kind.

It’s no secret that there is as much misunderstanding as there is controversy surrounding this book. It does matter how one communicates what he or she has drawn from the Scripture so there will be a minimum of misunderstanding to readers. One of the ways we show maturity is when there is a disagreement, we discern the matter together; it is discussed and looked at *by the Bible*, determining what is accurate so we are not going by just our own opinion. Needless to say, there are a lot of opinions, pro and con - our discernment must be accurate. There are legitimate concerns here on the interpretation and application of Scripture.

One of the problems is the subjective nature of a story; are people reading into the book something Jonathan Cahn may not be saying? Cahn has not claimed to be a prophet yet he affirms his message is prophetic, from the Scripture.

All this reminds me of a book that made a huge impact when I first became a Christian, *This Present Darkness*, a book by Frank Peretti, who wrote a thriller on the behind-the-

scenes world of Spiritual warfare. People began taking the book as actual instructions from the Bible.

The context of Isaiah 9:8-21 is important, for it is a prophecy of judgment. It begins with:

“The LORD sent a word against Jacob, and it has fallen on Israel.” God declares that He will send Israel’s enemies, the Syrians and the Philistines, to “devour” them (v. 12) V.13: “For the people do not turn to Him who strikes them, nor do they seek the LORD of hosts.” V. 15-16: “The elder and honorable, he is the head; the prophet who teaches lies, he is the tail.” God says he will destroy the head and the tail; who are the corrupt leaders and lying prophets. “For the leaders of this people cause them to err, and those who are led by them are destroyed.”

This will result in civil wars among the tribes of Israel, brother against brother, bringing destruction, starvation, and even cannibalism (vv. 19-20). His anger would not subside, and in His wrath, He would not show them mercy. It ends with v.21: “Manasseh shall devour Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh; together they shall be against Judah. For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is stretched out still.”

We read in Cahn’s book that the nine “harbingers” in the Isa. 9 passage would take place if Israel did not heed the warnings. These were real, and they did take place. The question is: Does God always give the same pattern signs before judgment? Is he doing this to the United States of America today? Cahn says this is a call to national repentance as it was for Israel. Here is the first problem and probably the basis for this whole matter. This is not a “warning” for repentance but a prophecy of judgment. Can it be extracted and specifically applied to America when it was fulfilled by Israel? To apply this to America is to more than overstate it. Similarities at one (or a few) point[s] is not sameness. Can we say that America is making the same mistakes Israel made? Yes, in various ways; but to make a direct correlation to the Scripture (Isa.9:10) is not possible; they can only be examples in principle.

I don’t think it is necessary to go into detail on all points if we understand how prophecy is applied. The literal biblical text is the history of Israel in the 8th century B.C.- it is not current events. If Cahn is correct in these signs (harbingers) of Isaiah, the judgment has come on America; it is as certain as night follows day, as it was to Israel at that time.

Having said this, I think we can all agree that America *is seeing judgment* in a number of ways, but to say they correspond exactly to Israel’s judgment or it is a text about America is a DANGEROUS stretch. Hunger, unemployment, rise of prices, lack of rain can be signs that judgment is occurring, especially when they are all happening within the same time period.

I can agree with the intent of *The Harbinger*, which is to call America to repentance for the abandoning of our so-called foundations on which the country was built and her turning away from God. **(Because Jonathan uses this as part of his teaching, many are willing to swallow the rest of what he teaches, which is false and is leading many into**

demonic mysticism). But we have to understand a number of things to have the right premise. Israel was a theocracy, America was not. Even if one believes America is a Christian nation, America was not (nor is now) a Christian nation in the way Israel was a nation under YHWH.

The problem I see is that the book directly links the Isaiah Scripture to America's history. **(In order to do this, he uses Kabbalah mystical teachings to prove his points, such as the mystical use of "7's" to prove his points)**. Without going into all the quotes and problems that many other commentators have already given, let me present a few quotes that are significant:

The Prophet: "But there was one other—a civilization also conceived and dedicated to the will of God from its conception . . . America. In fact, those who laid its foundations . . ."

Noriel Kaplan: "The Founding Fathers."

The Prophet: "No, long before the Founding Fathers. Those who laid America's foundations saw it as *the new Israel, an Israel of the New World*. And as it was with ancient Israel, they saw it as in covenant with God."

No doubt, Cahn is referring to the Pilgrims and is presenting the idea to the reader that America's founders and early leaders established the nation to be in a covenant relationship with God like ancient Israel. While they may have thought this, it is God Who initiated a covenant relationship with only one nation. It is through Abraham he established covenant. Israel is unique as far as mankind's history goes. This part of Cahn's story of America being the New Israel does bring more confusion than clarity about Israel, the nation from Abraham.

There are principles that can be applied in both blessing and judgment, and there are patterns in prophecy that are exhibited until its ultimate fulfillment. Paul says the Old Testament is the believer's example.

Is America following the same patterns that have exact results that happened to Israel or following principles presented in the Bible? Throughout *The Harbinger*, we find that these are not parallels but a direct correlation, based on what is clearly stated in the book by the main characters. Here are a few examples:

Ana Goren asks: "How could an ancient mystery have anything to do with September 11?"

Nouriel Kaplan: "*An ancient mystery behind everything* from 9/11 to the economy . . . to the housing boom . . . to the war in Iraq . . . to the collapse of Wall Street. *Everything in precise detail*" (p.3).

The Prophet: “The Assyrians are the fathers of terrorism, and those who mercilessly plotted out the calamity on 9/11 were their spiritual children, *another link in the mystery joining America to ancient Israel*” (p.3).

Kaplan: “Some link between this city and the ancient vow,” I said. “Somehow Isaiah 9:10 *has to be connected to Washington DC.*” (p.61)

The Prophet: “Solomon was the king of Israel. Washington was the first president of the United States. There was something in *the linking of ancient Israel and America*, as with all the other mysteries.”(p.109)

Solomon was appointed King, Washington was elected, hardly a good correlation. To see the inauguration of George Washington in New York City as a “consecration” of America to God in the same manner as Solomon’s consecration of the Temple in Jerusalem is not a good way to connect this event to the Scripture. This is linking the dots when there are none to link.

There are certain scriptures we will not fully understand until the end (Dan. 12:8-9). But can Isaiah 9:10 be a prophetic judgment on the United States when 2 Peter 1:20: “knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation.” To correlate current events directly to the Isaiah 9:10 prophecy is dubious. There are always principles that can be applied in both blessing and judgment, and there are specific patterns in prophecy that are exhibited in history until its ultimate fulfillment. Paul says the Old Testament is a believer’s example. If one does certain things wrong, we can see the outcome because it is written in Scripture with Israel in the past. Similarities found in prophecy are not sameness. If Cahn were contrasting pattern and applying its eschatological manner for America, it would be valid. If the prophecies to Israel are directly applied to America, not just in application but exegetically, then it is invalid. This is not an accurate hermeneutic.

God made no covenant with America as he did with Israel. How does a country repent when the majority of leaders of that country are not just irreligious but anti God and anti-Israel (yes this does come into the picture because of Joel 3; should not America repent of forcing Israel to give up land)? Any covenant found in America is between the Church and Jesus Christ (i.e., those who were saved by his gospel and enter into the New covenant by faith).

Let us apply a principle of Isa. 9: “For the leaders of this people cause them to err, and those who are led by them are destroyed.”

After 9/11, instead of true repentance, ecumenical interfaith was instigated by the spirit of American patriotism. Many Christian leaders joined in prayer with leaders of all faiths to console our nation. How would this repentance be done with so many different religions involved? Do we tell everyone to turn to their God (as Glenn Beck seems to do in his patriotic meetings)? Are these same leaders going to lead us to repentance? Humbling oneself and turning to the true God is more difficult than ever in our day. Maybe if these

leaders took more time giving the gospel, America would not be in the spiritual state she's in.

God has given us the signs in His Word:

Mark 13:12-13: "Now brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death." And you will be hated by all men for My name's sake."

Jesus said the last days would be like the days of Noah, where they would be filled with violence. So is it really necessary to find signs as mystery into the Scripture?

2 Tim. 3:1-5: "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!"

These are the signs to look for in any country, not just America. If you want to know where America is - this is the indication, just like any other country. Yet it says to us as individuals "For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; (Lk.12:48)

Luke 11:29-30: Jesus said to those gathered, "This is an evil generation. It seeks a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. "For as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so also the Son of Man will be to this generation."

The sign of the resurrection is the harbinger to all people, to all generations subsequent, to repent and believe in the Only True God, who became man and rose from the dead. As Paul summed it up to the philosophers of his day on Mars Hill where they practiced religious pluralism in:

Acts 17:30-31: "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead." (See also 2 Pet.2:9).

A FINAL SOBERING THOUGHT

By Karen Connell

I NEED TO REITERAT THAT THOSE WHO ASSOCIATE WITH OR RECEIVE FALSE TEACHERS—BECOME PARTAKERS OF THEIR SIN

So, what should our position be as to our association with false teachers that do not abide by what the Bible teaches or *goes beyond what the Word teaches*? The Bible is very clear concerning the sin of evil associations. Jesus is called the “Word” of God, thus, when we pervert, ignore or go beyond what the Word teaches, which are the “doctrines of Christ” ... we are transgressing the Word of God.

(2 John 1:9-11) Whosoever transgresses, and abides not in the doctrine of Christ (what the “Word” teaches), hath not God. He that abides in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: *For he that bids him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.*

(Psalm 1:1-6) Blessed is the man that walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind drives away. Therefore, the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Today false teachers and their pet heresies are tolerated by many Christians who have swallowed the lie of “tolerance” and bid false teachers Godspeed by promoting their so-called inspired ministries, and messages. However, the early church never even greeted false teachers or provided them with any kind of support or hospitality. In fact, those who tolerated false teachers were said to be partakers in the dissemination of their evil doctrines. John, under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost warned one church, that God will strike anyone who follows and supports false teachers with death.

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou suffer that woman Jezebel, which calls herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with death; and

all the churches shall know that I am he which searches the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works. (Revelation 2:20-23)

Please note the very strong words “kill their children with death.” Why would He say “kill . . . with death” when killing automatically includes death? This phrase is a very strong mode of Hebraic expression, meaning that He has no reservations about his resolve to destroy what is deadly. If these profound words do not strike fear and trembling into the hearts of those who associate with false teachers, then nothing will. In fact, the Bible says they will wax worse and worse.

(2 Timothy 3:12-13) Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

The Word is very clear as to what our position as true Bible obeying Christians is to be when it comes to those who teach or hold to doctrines that are contrary to the Word:

Romans 16:17-18, Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them... For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

Galatians 1:9-10, As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed... For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

Finally, may it be said again... **(Titus 1:10-11, 14) For there are also many unruly men, vain talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision... whose mouths must be stopped; men who overthrow whole houses, teaching things which they ought not... Do not paying attention to Jewish myths¹⁶ and commandments of men who turn away from the truth. Amen!**

NOTE: Any of Jonathan Cahn’s Future books, of which I’m sure there will be many, need to be evaluated according to what has been revealed in this report. Keep in mind that his gnostic esoteric ideas and speculations sound very deep and mysterious but are deeply mystical and deceptive! **(Deuteronomy 11:16) Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and worship them.**

¹⁶ NT:3454 *muthos* (moo'-thos); a myth, (Biblesoft's New Exhaustive Strong's Numbers and Concordance with Expanded Greek-Hebrew Dictionary and International Bible Translators, Inc.) A “myth” is defined as: **Something taught without a determinable basis of fact, explaining some practice, rite, or phenomenon of nature.** Source: <https://www.google.com/search?q=define+mythology&og=define+mythology&ags=chrome..69i57j0i5.20184j1j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

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