

Smokeless London

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and "the Lamb," (Jesus Christ). Various things in the Bible may appear to be *contradictory*, but are rather *complimentary* aspects of the fuller picture. For example, Jesus is the tender Lamb of God that came to take away the sin of the world, for those who receive Him. Yet, in Revelation there is nothing so fierce as "the wrath of the Lamb!"

If you get a Bible and read the chapters in Revelation which this article refers to, I believe God will speak to you. **Too many good lessons are in those brief chapters for me to mention here.** There we read of *rejoicing* and of *torment*, both of which exceed our present earthly powers of comprehension—but that shouldn't shock us, for even in this present world, many things appear to pass over the heads of the masses. Of course, many people "couldn't be bothered," yet many others simply do not see or understand the actual causes of incidents or of conditions which exist. A young man, raised in a Sunday School, etc. found himself behind bars for a terrible crime. The pastor (whom I knew) visited the prison, and the young lad asked with a pitiful tone: **"Preacher, how did it happen?"**

The one and only thing that can send a person to Hell is sin; plain and simple. Nothing else can send a person to Hell, so don't look around for "second causes." Sin comes from a heart that does not love and obey God. The sinful *actions* result from a sinful, "pre-programmed" *disposition or inclination*. **Each person's DNA is unique**, but in *this* matter "we are all in the same boat." So much for the brotherhood of man! Since Jesus taught that to love God with ALL is the greatest commandment, then it could be said that the greatest sin is not to do this. Did you ever think that a person was "rotten" because of what they *didn't* do? They could've helped, but didn't. The greatest commandment is to love God...

really love God, not just offer empty, superficial, disgusting, lying and hypocritical "lip service." But do we truly love God? Jesus said that if we truly love Him, then we are to obey Him—do what He says. Do we?

St. Peter wrote some astounding words when he said, "For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? Now 'If the righteous one is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?'" (1Pet 4:17, 18). Without naming dreadful sins that are overflowing Britain and the world like a **tsunami of raw sewage**, we warn many who think themselves "religious" that they may very well end up in the same eternal place of torment mentioned throughout the entire Bible, including by Jesus.

Now, pay attention! This matter of **"Going Smokeless"** is not isolated to Britain in general, or London in particular. I have made it clear that (as Revelation 14 states) **the smoke of eternal torment** will continue to rise from population centres, as illustrated by "Babylon." BUT, think of the amazing variety of people in London...in Britain. These people have come from various Babylons to fill this one central Babylon. But the smoke of God's judgment will certainly fall, and is beginning to fall already.

Can you remember the picture of the looters in **New Orleans** after the hurricane? Fellow citizens, as well as outsiders, joined together to rob and plunder their own defenceless people! Upon his arrest last year, the **top Mafia boss, Bernardo Provanzano**, received verbal abuse from his own countrymen because of the violence and horror he inflicted on them for over 40 years. Friends, what happens to London happens to the world. London must become a world example of genuine repentance toward God and a full turning from sin. **This alone would make London a "smoke-free zone"** as it relates to the coming judgment of God. This alone will help the rest of Britain, as well as the citizens of countries all across the globe.

Jesus came to deliver us from ALL sin because sin, alone, damns the soul. Sex sins and Life sins are in us, rooming. Mixing human and animal bryos is wrong, though we know people follow like cattle already. God condemns same-sex activity, but also any sex outside of marriage. Sex change is simply a further step in confusion/perversion. Abortion seeks a free religion. Let's get right with God...and stay right.

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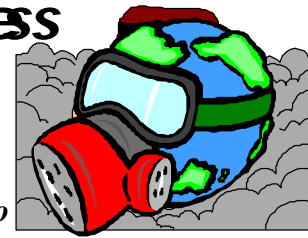
"Lift up a standard for the people." Isaiah 62:10

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"Smokeless London"

Oh, that it
could be true!

by Gabriel Mancino



"Britain is going smokeless on July 1st," but a tobacco-free London is not my subject. Actually, each tobacco-pack warning (in large, bold print) *should* help bring such a result! With but little time and patience, you will hopefully receive rewarding instruction and guidance from this little article—if you are open.

It **APPEARS** that the government is bringing in this smoking law to help society as a whole, but the pages of British history demonstrate that God can cleanse and lift a nation and its citizens like no Parliament can, for you cannot legislate righteousness. *True* righteousness results in life and conduct that surpasses the controlling dictates of the laws of government *OR* religious bodies! Evil and corruption seems inextricably woven into the fabric of society at every level, yet God has an answer, and it works. There **ARE** options, but think of a dry river bed or reservoir and you see what happens when God withholds the rain. The Bible prophet said *"It is time to seek the Lord until He rains righteousness upon you!"* (Hosea 10:12). Sin has its

payday, and the BIG payday is still ahead. A radical course must be taken to avoid the obvious and unavoidable consequences for us all—individually and collectively.

A picture of this inevitable end is seen in various chapters of the final book of the Bible, called Revelation. A verse from chapter 14 came to my mind in preparation for this June issue, which says:

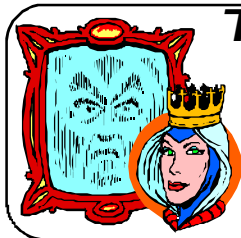
"And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night." This verse, though pointing to a future reality, likely refers back to the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, and it is **this smoke** that had arrested my attention.

Mention is made in Revelation chapters 13, 14, 15, 16, 19 & 20 of what is called **"the mark of the beast."** That "mark," as well as other aspects of "end-time events" has been **sensationalized in movies**. It is easy for such films to desensitize people regarding any fear or any need to prepare for that time, or even for death. People become further hardened by severe acts of violence and sex seen in films and heard in modern music. Daily news confirms the callous wreckage.

Let's get back to Rev. 14, which I would encourage you to read for yourself. In Rev. 14 and also in 16, 17, & 18, mention is likewise made of **"Babylon, the great."** That city is the target of the wrath of God

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DID YESTERDAY REALLY HAPPEN? In some countries, it is a crime today that the Holocaust took place. It appears, however, that most people forget both the bad AND the good that genuinely took place for the sake of learning from neither. What a loss! Books like *England Before and After Wesley* help us all to see that God CAN bring radical change and blessing even to a nation sunk in spiritual and moral chaos.



The Ugliest People in the World

"Mirror, mirror on the wall, who's the fairest of them all?"

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Wearing braces on your teeth will not make a person "Ugly" or beautiful. For my conclusions regarding beauty, I failed to consult the fashion industry, for they seem to have turned to making yo-yos and herding cattle.

The Bible does have very significant things to say to help a person know just how God feels about how we appear, as well as what we are in our heart. One such Bible selection is found in chapter 16 of the Old Testament prophet, Ezekiel. Just as we have referred to "Babylon" in the front page article, so in this one we find Ezekiel beginning with reference to "Jerusalem." However, though there were actual cities by these names, yet what God says here to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, He says to you and me today—believe me.

I wish I had space to print the entire chapter here for you. It is dramatic, very blunt and graphic as it relates, for example, to childbirth, puberty, and actual love, and eminently succeeds in fastening to *OUR* minds the *mind of GOD* in this matter which is so obviously a priority to Him. In the details of this chapter, regarding jewellery for example, we know that God Himself slowly revealed His perfect will and plan for us throughout the thousands of years of Bible history. I mean that what is often *external* in the Old Testament, God clearly reveals to have been a mere illustration of the greater *internal* truth revealed in the New Testament. It is true, that **"God looks on the heart,"** yet what we wear, what we do and say, what we read and where we go are all indicators of what we are in our hearts.

Once again, space does not allow for gleaning the many lessons from this chapter. **Here's one lesson:** The beauty with which God Himself adorned this once-abandoned, newborn baby—*now grown to maturity*—this

mature female now believes is natural, in-built beauty! This was not the end of the self-deception, for falsely believing that she was a **self-made beauty queen**, she then proceeded to prostitute herself with those of the surrounding pagan nations. This whole narrative is an excellent, though tragic, picture of what the human family has done and is doing today. Today's world and today's newspapers provide daily testimony of the grossest prostitution of what the human race is intended by God to be. This both breaks the heart of God and infuriates the love of God, which has spared nothing to provide for our greatest peace and holiness, and thereby our greatest satisfaction. This God-given beauty and satisfaction gives birth to God-inspired creativity and productivity. Sterile, fruitless "religion" is a perversion of this beauty.

What God wanted to display in holiness from within mankind through the people of Israel in the Old Testament, He wanted *ultimately* to do (as even the O. T. clearly states) through "the Church," which is made up of people from all nations under heaven. "The Brotherhood of Man" certainly includes that all of us are born with a sin problem. Original man (Adam and Eve) failed, as did the Jews, and as has the Church. An alternative "religion" is not the answer, whether it be Scientology or others.

The casualties of "ugliness" litter the streets worse than McDonald's wrappers, though their value is incomparable. Ezekiel 16:14 says that the beauty that God put upon His people made them famous. *This is a true* fame which God has fitted to bless all nations. God said that the beauty of His people was perfect, and that this perfection of beauty was due to *His* glory, magnificence, splendour and majesty. Yet, it was because of the prostitution of this God-implemented beauty that the prophet Jeremiah writes of the ridicule of the surrounding nations at the loss of this beauty: **"All who pass by clap their hands at you; They hiss and shake their heads at the daughter of Jerusalem: 'Is this the city that is called 'The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?' All your enemies have opened their mouth against you; They hiss and gnash their teeth. They say, 'We have swallowed her up! Surely this is the day we have waited for; We have found**

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it, we have seen it!" (Lamentations 2:15,16). **Another way to show the perfection of ugliness (in contrast to the perfection of beauty) is to be willing to rejoice that we would all go to Hell together. There are no handsome hulks nor beauty queens in Hell, for Hell is the Eternal and International Capital of Ugliness. In contrast, God wants to make all people beautiful within, to go to the beautiful city He has prepared. God makes clear His willingness to restore even self-made ugly people into beautiful people again, as we see here in Ezekiel 14 and also in Jeremiah 18, where God is seen remaking the Potter's spoiled vessel. He's the same today!**

"LOVE, LOVE, LOVE" (continued)

what about Divine love which God puts within weak, "forgiven and changed" humans? **Does it fail?** Yes, it can...but not in the same way the earthly things fail and fade away. Jesus told Peter that He had prayed for him, that his faith would not fail...but Peter's faith *DID* fail. Yes, but Jesus' words meant "to fail utterly," and Peter's faith *WAS* restored! Love never fails!

One newspaper had photos of well-knowns (including Mr. Blair), showing them 10 years ago compared to now. Steroids-defaced **Stallone** admitted his unsightly appearance, but said he was **Brad Pitt** on the inside! I am not a film fan, yet Stallone's words capture the truth **St. Paul** said, that **"though our outward man is perishing, yet our inward man is being renewed day by day!"** (2 Cor. 4:16). Paul's words were strictly spiritual, and the world does not have this to offer, despite the recent sell-out of **beauty cream**. Film and sport stars and such others will fade into eternal darkness, along with its other fearful features, **"but the path of the just is as a shining light that shines more and more unto the perfect day!"** (Prov. 4:18). **Divine love never fails!**

Time and time again, in reference to Pentecost, and the coming of the Holy Spirit, Christ and His disciples said that receiving this blessing will also make us God's witnesses to others, so that they, too, may get right with Him. So, this all brings to our personal attention a great privilege, as well as a grave responsibility...**but what love this shows!!**

Love Love Love

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It was as the agony of a **caring surgeon's knife** that caused St. Peter to squirm, for Jesus asked him three times, **"Do you love Me?"** Peter had denied Christ three times, and his spiritual recovery travelled over the same road. **"The Prodigal Son"** likewise travelled familiar roads to make his way back to his father's house to repent and throw himself on his father's mercy. Getting to God, or getting *back* to God can include unpleasant journeying which many prefer to avoid, not knowing that this very unpleasantness is the only road to the blessedness.

That Jesus asked of Peter's love does not imply (as some blasphemously suggest) that Jesus and His disciples were homosexuals anymore than the love to Christ from the "sinful woman" meant that Jesus had an affair or got married later and had a family.

On 27 May we celebrated "Pentecost," also called "Whitsunday," which commemorates the day when the Holy Spirit came in His fullness into Christ's waiting and ready disciples. As *my girl friend* became *my fiancé* and then *my wife*, so the Holy Spirit *convicts* then also *converts* the open-hearted, receptive sinner, but then will furthermore *cleanse* and fill that "believer" in a way surpassing initial conversion. It is the same Person being "received," yet in a different capacity. Many things happen in these incidents, but certainly sin is "thrown out," and love and likeness to God is brought in. This happens through Christ's work on the Cross, and through the applying of this "provided and healing medicine" of the blood of Christ by **"the Doctor's Assistant:"** the Holy Spirit!

"The Love Chapter" of the Bible (1 Cor. 13) has some awesome things to tell us about the greatest kind of love. You will be rewarded by reading it carefully, and letting it "soak in." Though verse 8 says that many things *shall cease*, it says that **"Divine Love never fails!"** God's love to man is shown in that even while we were all actively "sinners," of one sort or another, yet God "so loved the world that He gave" Jesus, and that notwithstanding our rebellious condition, "Christ died for us." Divine love, even from God's side, "never fails." But

Food producers NOW want no artificials, though they have known for decades that they are (to this very day) putting poison down our throats. Legal compensation goes to criminals, but many innocents get nothing—like Mr. Menezes' family. So much is topsy-turvy... ALL linked to orchestrated secularization and the abandonment of genuine obedience to The Greatest Commandment.

Some MPs want "privacy" so citizens don't know what they are doing, nor how much money they make nor how they spend it. Some of them also believe they can undermine national ethics and morality without the church saying anything against it! What planet do these people live on?!