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The Ark, Rapture, & Millennial Temple

AMIR: Shalom, and good evening from Galilee, from CONNECT here in the Jezreel Valley. I'm Amir Tsarfati, live from Israel, and this is one more *Q&A*. And I want to thank you, folks, for tuning in to our recent *Q&A*s. We've seen an unbelievable surge in viewership and also comments, and we understand that you just followed our request to simply do the very simple things, to subscribe, to like, to share, and to comment. These are things that take a few seconds, but they make all the difference in the world. And the algorithm is definitely working because of your collaboration, so thank you very, very much.

One last thing before I'm going to introduce our friends, Barry and Mike, tomorrow is the launch day of *The Elijah Mandate*. This is the last time you're going to hear from me asking you to pre-order. Starting from tomorrow, it's just ordering it online. Thank you so much to all of those who pre-ordered it. We didn't make it to the 100% that we wanted, but we still have a few days until the end of the launch week. Hopefully God will provide a miracle and by the end of the launch week, people will not just order but also have it sent to them. Because the system is not counting the orders, it's counting the shipments. So thank you so much. *The Elijah Mandate*, a super-important book for all of you to understand a lot of what Elijah went through, but more so on the days in which we live today. So *The Elijah Mandate*, tomorrow is the launch day, and We're extremely, extremely blessed to have this book out. And we pray, please help us to pray, that this book will make it to the hands of many non-believers. And because of your purchasing or pre-order, I pray that the big stores will notice it, order it, and put it on their shelves in their brick-and-mortar stores. So thank you so much. Thank you.

And now without further ado, let me invite Pastor Barry Stagner from Southern California and Pastor Mike Golay from Minnesota, Minneapolis. Shalom, gentlemen. How are you?

MIKE: Shalom. Excellent.

BARRY: Shalom. Doing great.

AMIR: Well, it's good to see you. Mike, you just came back from Argentina. Can you tell us in three sentences how was it there when you and Jason shared over there?

MIKE: They have a Bible school of young adults in Tucumán, Argentina. The request was that we would come and teach one week of Bible prophecy, specifically centered in on Israel. We went there. We did at least two sessions per day and a conference. We also had 11 pastors from the community come; it was just literally Saturday this weekend. And I need to say, Amir, if I may, these trips are possible because every viewer right there on our broadcast are giving small amounts, large amounts, whatever amount to fund this kind of operation to get these people educated, equipped to understand Israel so they can teach it themselves. And so I just want to say to all of our donors out there, thank you, thank you, thank you! God did amazing things, Amir.

AMIR: Yeah, and just to remind people, there is no way that community over there could have shouldered the airfare and the hotels and everything. That's exactly what donations go for, and we thank you for that. We don't go to places that can afford inviting us, we go to places that the Holy Spirit is telling us to go to, and we trust that where God guides, He also provides. So thank you, Mike, for your service, and thank you, Pastor Barry, for gracing us with your presence here. And I know it's a super-hot and humid weather over there in California. I guess the super El Niño is definitely making its marks on your weather pattern.

BARRY: Yes, it is. We had rain yesterday, which is pretty unusual for September, and today, again, it's over 80 degrees, the humidity**s**' up in the mid-80 percentile, and it's just, it's just not

California weather. So, it's going to be interesting to see what develops over the winter months once we get into the actual rainy season.

AMIR: So, you were Florida for the last 48 hours, basically?

BARRY: [Laughter] Well, it's been for the last month! I jokingly said at church that I called Ron DeSantis [governor of Florida] and told him to come get his weather. We don't want it out here. [Laughter]

AMIR: There you go. Well, anyway, Pastor Barry, if you don't mind, would you do us the honor and start with a prayer? And then Pastor Mike, take the reins and Let's get the questions and try to answer them to the best we can. So, Pastor Barry.

BARRY: Absolutely. And Father, we are so grateful to know You. Thank You for saving our perishing souls. Thank You for giving us Your Holy Spirit. Thank You for giving us Your Word, Lord, which equips us for life. And we pray that this time would be fruitful, that it be glorifying to Your name, and that people would come away equipped for the work of ministry. So we ask for Your touch on the words that are spoken and the ears of the hearer. In Jesus 'name, amen.

MIKE: Amen.

AMIR: Amen. Pastor Mike, take the control.

MIKE: So, my challenge to you all on this question and answer is really dig down and see if you can identify some really good questions. We also ask that you put your name first so we can address you by name. We want to keep this relational. And any question about Bible, Bible prophecy, Israel, the Middle East, and the current events related to Bible prophecy are all welcomed. We can't get through every question. We'll do our best.

Our first question is from Jackie. Pastor Barry, Let's throw this at you from Jackie. "I've read there will be a revival of animal sacrifices during the millennium..." Animal sacrifices, Barry. "...Is that true, and will we Christians from the Rapture have to even be subjected to knowing about it happening?" So I thought the old covenant with the sacrificial system is fulfilled. What is the point of bringing back sacrifices in the millennium?

BARRY: Well, Mike, I think the first thing to remember is that the animal sacrifices did not save anybodys' soul, so that's not the purpose of the sacrifices. Hebrews makes it very clear that it had to be better blood than that of bulls and goats for they weren't sufficient to cover the sins of the whole world. There had to be the blood of a perfect Lamb that was offered, pictured by the Passover lamb. But they were always pointing forward throughout the course of Israels' history to the coming Messiah. And I believe that the sacrifices during the millennium rather than pointing forward to what's coming, they're pointing back to what was, what happened that allowed for us to be raptured, allowed for us to, as the church, skip the Tribulation, allowed for the Jews at the end of the Tribulation to be saved, allowed for us to live in glorified bodies. It's all because of what Jesus did, and because it is brutal and unpleasant and all those things, it points our mind to the fact that Jesus, as Micah says, His visage, His appearance was marred more than any man.

And, I always find it interesting, we hear what Pilate said after Jesus had been beaten. He says, "Behold the man..." And based on what we know from the Old Testament that His stripes that brought the healing and all that from Isaiah 53, I think one of the interesting things about that statement, it's almost as though Pilate was saying, "Look at this guy." He was trying to wash his hands of what he allowed to happen to Jesus. And he says, "Behold the man. Look at this guy.

What more could you possibly want me to do to this Man whos' barely recognizable as a human being?" And the response was, "Crucify Him."

So the brutality of the cross, I think, is the reason for the sacrifices during the millennium. They're pointing back to what Jesus did when He experienced a mock trial, the illegal trial actually, and the beatings and scourging and, and the pulling of the beard from the face and the shedding of His blood for the sins of the whole world. So yeah, we will be fully aware of what's going on. There's going to be, Ezekiel makes it clear in 40 to 48, There's going to be a fourth temple. It won't be the third temple of the Tribulation. It'll be a new temple, one that Jesus is going to occupy, so to speak. And the sacrifices will take place there reminding the world of what He had done for them.

MIKE: Yeah. Amir, can I ask you this? It seems like in the Jewish mindset throughout the Old Testament that God has always used graphic illustrations of the spiritual realities. And do you think this is a form of worship to truly more in-depth appreciate the sacrifice of Christ visually seeing?

AMIR: Absolutely.

MIKE: Oh, okay. Can you expand on that?

AMIR: Yes. I will say this, Mike. It's important that we understand that the millennial kingdom is as close as possible to the Eden-like conditions of planet Earth, which is a big danger that the people will think, "Oh, everything is great." There's nothing, There's no thanksgiving, there is no appreciation, there is no... There is no acknowledgement of the sin, payment that was already given. And, and so I, I truly believe that just as Pastor Barry just said, you don't abolish that as long as there is a temple, because as long as there is a temple, it's because There's still non-

believers around. The only reason why in the New Jerusalem there is no temple is because everybody are believers, because that's it. It's gone. But whenever we have a temple, it's basically because people are still in unbelief, and the only way for them to understand what is it that they need to look at and what is it that they need to understand and appreciate and be thankful for, these are the... that's what the sacrifices are for.

So again, there, when there is a temple, there has to be sacrifice. If there was no temple, there would be no sacrifice. By the way, there is no temple right now, and there is no sacrifice right now. And when the Bible tells us in Daniel 9 that the Antichrist will stop the sacrifice halfway through the seven years 'Tribulation, through the last week of the 70 weeks, it's because the temple was built and immediately sacrifice was initiated. And the minute he stops it, it's because he is breaking the godly structure and he basically says, "You don't need to look at the One who paid for any price. You don't need to look at the price, the blood that was shed. You don't need to..." There is, there, there has... And by the way, remember, the Antichrist will stop the sacrificial ceremonies while the temple is still standing, which means he is changing everything to focus on him as God and who he is and what He's all about.

So yeah, I, I find it quite amazing that in the New Jerusalem, there is no temple, There's no need for a temple. But as long as there is a temple and there is a need for a temple, there is a need for sacrifice. And, and it's not, as Pastor Barry so eloquently said, it's not because sacrifice is providing the solution and it's the payment for sin. Remember, I mean, all of those things were just covering it for a temporary time. I mean, only for a year until the next, and all of those things, but it, it could never provide a solution as Yeshua did, so...

MIKE: Wow, excellent. that's very clear. I appreciate both of you. Amir, Let's move to Misarisan. I'm sorry if I mispronounced your name, Misarisan. And Let's ask this to Amir. "When the Rapture

occurs, and deceased believers are resurrected, will the saints of the Old Testament era also be resurrected at that time?" At the time of the Rapture, Amir, Old Testament saints? If not, then when?

AMIR: Yeah. No. The Rapture is reserved for the church. The Rapture is reserved for us. The Rapture is reserved for those, who need to be there at the Bema Seat and who need to be the bride of the bridegroom. So if anything, from what we understand in Scriptures, it's going to be at the end of the Tribulation, right when Christ is about to initiate the millennial kingdom that the Old Testament saints will be resurrected and that will allow King David to resurrect, and probably be able to reign again from Jerusalem.

But there is no indication in the Bible where the Rapture that is meant and reserved for us is also going to be shared with other saints. Remember, there is the Old Testament saints, there is the church, and there is the Tribulation saints, and there is millennial kingdom saints. And, and again, the only one that is known as the bride, the only one that has to stand there at the Bema Seat, the only one that has to have the wedding ceremony for which the Rapture is going to take place is the church. And so, as far as I understand Scriptures, the Old Testament saints will be resurrected, only at the very end of that 70th week, of the 7-years Tribulation; so they will enter into the millennial kingdom and be active and take part of that kingdom.

MIKE: I see. So Pastor Barry, David, Ezekiel, Isaiah, all of these guys have to wait until the end of the Tribulation to be... Would you call this, like, the Old Testament and tribulation-saint mini-rapture-like... How do you see this? Do you agree, and if so, what led you to that conclusion as well?

BARRY: Mike, Daniel 12 makes it clear that there are, is going to be a separate resurrection of the Old Testament believers and they will, as Amir said, experience that at the end of the

Tribulation period. But I think we also have to remember that when Jesus went and preached, He descended into the lower parts of the earth, that the portion known as Abrahams' bosom was emptied, this place of comforts, and those souls or spirits went into the presence of the Lord. We have to remember that Paul couldn't have written, what he wrote about being absent from the body and being present with the Lord until Jesus was the first born among many brethren, the first to conquer death and stay alive forevermore. Only then could those souls that were in the place of comforts be resurrected and he led captivity captive. And now their souls and spirits are in the presence of the Lord.

So the resurrection We're talking about is strictly of the body that lies in the grave. They're not… their souls aren't asleep, none of those saints. But one day they're going to experience what will happen for the church in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and that is the reuniting of the bodies of dead saints, dead members of the church, those who had died in Christ, with their spirits that are already in heaven, and that they'll receive their glorified bodies at that point in time. So, I don't think we need to worry about all these people, are they just laying in the grave waiting? No, their souls and spirits are in heaven already and they're waiting for the resurrection of the body.

AMIR: That's why they, they're... That's why, they're not punished by waiting seven more years to be resurrected because they will really need their physical body only when they are reigning and ruling in Jerusalem so they don't need it before that anyway. And their souls are with the Lord anyway, so I don't see it as a negative thing. I just see that when the time comes and they'll need their bodies, they'll have it.

MIKE: Okay. Well, thanks for the clarification. Let's move to a very unique question. Thank you for taking the challenge, Christine, with this unique question. Pastor Barry, "Does the Bible

indicate the ark of the covenant will be seen again...” It’s a very mysterious conversation, “…since no one seems to know where it is? God knows where it is.” Ark of the covenant, you might even give us some theories about where it went or where it is or what the role of it, if any, will be in the future. I certainly would love to hear how you answer this question.

AMIR: Yeah. Please, please tell us. [Laughter]

BARRY: Where the ark is? [Everyone laughs]

MIKE: Yeah, We’re all listening.

BARRY: You know, it’s interesting. I was at a kind of a briefing of a guy named Gershon Salomon, who, before he died he headed up what’s called the Temple Mount Faithful movement. And the question came up, “Where’s the ark of the covenant?” And he said, “We know exactly where it is.” And it was kind of chilling how he answered the question. He said, “It’s down under the Temple Mount. We know where it is. We’ve long known where it is.” Others say it’s in Ethiopia. You know, it’s all over the place. But we have to remember that the ark is a picture. It had components within it that taught about the faithfulness of God, as God is our provider, His sovereignty, Aarons’ rod that budded, all the other things in there, the cherubim covering the mercy seat. There is an actual mercy seat. There’s the Bema Seat that the church is going to stand in front of. So, I don’t know that the ark of the covenant is necessarily pivotal, especially when we get into the New Jerusalem. As Amir pointed out, there is no temple, There’s no Holy of Holies to place the ark of the covenant inside because the Lamb is the temple, He is the light. So yeah, I don’t know that it’s a necessary component to anything that’s coming.

MIKE: Amir, you were a tour guide, you’ve studied all this, what are some of the forensic theories that you’ve been exposed to? What is your opinion?

AMIR: For years, for over 20 years, I used to take tourists down below the Temple Mount to the rabbis' tunnel, the famous tunnel that we dug along the western retaining wall of the Temple Mount. And we always used to walk right by one of the older gates into the Temple Mount that was actually filled with concrete. And the question was, why was it sealed off? What happened? And it's very interesting because... And I'm going to tell you a story. You might believe it, you might not, but that's what happened. When Israel took back the Old City in 1967 from the Jordanians... Remember, the Jordanians invaded in 1948 and held the Old City until 1967. They could have built a Palestinian state. They could have made it their capital, but there were no Palestinian people then, and therefore, there was no need for a Palestinian state. But it's very interesting because once we seized control, the chief rabbi of Israel went on a mission with some of the archeologists under... not under the Temple Mount, but along the Western Wall. And there was the gate that was still not filled with concrete, and he managed to go through and he crawled all the way into a place where he says, Rabbi Shlomo Goren, it's a documented thing, he said that he saw an object the size and the shape of the ark of the covenant covered with animal skin, lots of dust on it. He, within... Listen to this, Mike, within seconds, within seconds, he realized what he believes he is looking at, and he couldn't speak. I mean, he couldn't talk. Unfortunately, after a few days, he talked too much, and the Waqf, the Muslim religious authority, heard that the Jewish people are actually entering into the Temple Mount from under the ground through an ancient 2,000-year-old gate that they found, and immediately they poured concrete. And it's blocked up until today with concrete. It's very interesting. Think about that. They didn't want anyone to have any access back to that place and, God forbid, find the evidence that... So that's why Gershon Salomon said what he said to Pastor Barry because everyone in the community of those who want to have a temple built knew that this is what Rabbi Shlomo saw, and that's probably where the

Ark is. And of course, the Ethiopians believe it's in Ethiopia, others believe it's elsewhere. I think that there was another archeologist who believed that it's under Calvary, Golgotha in Jerusalem. They all have different theories. Nobody could provide any proof, and the only person that said that he saw it, he saw something that there is no doubt had to be this size and this shape and the location. But the last thing I want to say is this, a lot of people don't know, but the ark of the covenant was hidden when the first temple was destroyed. We do not know about having it in the second temple at all. Do you understand what I just said?

MIKE: I do. So you're saying the Herodian temple probably did not have the ark of the covenant?

AMIR: Nope. No. There was the knowledge that it's hidden, but for as far as we know, it was hidden in the time of Jeremiah when Jerusalem was about to be destroyed, and that's it. And therefore, I say if it wasn't there physically inside the Holy of Holies in the second temple period, people will say, "Well, I guess it's not a requirement for the third one to have it as well." You understand?

There's another talk about the menorah. Where's the menorah? I mean, the menorah was in the second temple period. At least there was a golden menorah there. Now, how do we know that here was a golden menorah in the second temple? Because if you go to Rome, outside of the Colosseum there is the Arch of Titus—kind of Titus, who basically is the general that destroyed Jerusalem and leveled the temple. And in that arch, you see the depiction of the Jewish slaves being brought into Rome and they are carrying all the spoils of war from the temple, among which is the seven-branched candelabra. And many people believe that the golden menorah of the time of Jesus, which was in Jerusalem, and was sacked by the Romans, could be very much so in the basement of the Vatican nowadays. And so there are all of those people that are sailing with their imagination that maybe when there is an antichrist, and the false prophet is a pope, he will actually

bring back the menorah. Maybe they can't bring the ark, but they surely can bring the menorah back and get the excitement of the Jewish people about a third temple, get the whole world excited about it. Not until of course, right after that, the Antichrist will go in and declare himself as God and stop the sacrificial ceremonies, as Daniel says.

So it's a very interesting thing about the ark, about the menorah, about all the artifacts and the articles of the temple, very, very interesting things. And Pastor Barry and I are teaching the book of Daniel, we taught about how articles of the temple were taken all the way to Babylon and were misused by their kings, and God judged them for that. God judged them for that. So, stuff from this first temple was taken to Babylon, and stuff from the second temple was taken to Rome.

MIKE: Taken to Rome. Got it. Got it. Okay. Pastor Barry, all of the viewers are asking really interesting questions today. I'm not sure I've ever heard this one before. Michelle is asking, "Will we be able to be with Jesus one-on-one (like a walk in the garden) in eternity? And in the millennium when He's on His throne in Jerusalem?" I mean, I'm not sure I've ever thought about that, where we just have one-on-one hangout time with Jesus when There's millions of people vying for His time? How, how might that look, Pastor Barry?

BARRY: Well, We'll have time, because we know We'll have time when we get into eternity. So, I'm sure that... Who wouldn't want to have an audience with Jesus and to chat with Him? We, the church at least, is going to have a conversation at the Bema Seat, no question about it individually when we receive our rewards for that which was done in the body and the good works the things that survive the refining fire of the Bema Seat. So then absolutely, it seems to imply that We're going to have that audience with Him. I don't know what the scene is going to look like, the Bible doesn't seem to indicate. But I do know we shall all stand before the judgment seat, the Bema Seat of Christ. And so that will be a personal encounter for sure. John says, "When we

see Him, We'll be like Him," 1 John 3:2. So we are going to see Him, obviously. But I don't know, I think We're going to have assignments during the millennium. If We're going to rule and reign with Him… Pastor Chuck used to joke that He's submitted that when the Lord assigns him a territory during the millennium he wants Kauai. And the reality is the whole earth is going to be like Kauai after the return of Christ when the living waters flow from the Mount of Olives. So, I'm sure We'll have time with Him, simply because We're going to be there forever and ever. But outside of the Bema Seat encounter, I don't know the Bible is real clear that We're going to have an assigned chat time.

AMIR: Mike, we have to remember that from the moment of the Rapture, we are promised, We're promised, the Bible says, **"16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven…"** in **1 Thessalonians 4, "16 with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with a trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord." (1 Thessalonians 4:16–17)** So, from the moment He's taking us to meet Him in the air, we will physically always be with Him. So, we don't have to worry about eternity. It's going to be way before that. It's going to be 1,007 years before eternity. 1,007 years before eternity: 1,000 years, millennial kingdom, 7 years Tribulation. So, if we believe that the Rapture is before the Tribulation, then you don't have to wait for the eternity to be with Him. You'll be 1,007, at least 1,007 years before that with Him forever. We will always be with Him from that moment on. So it's going to be... I'm sure that we won't lack time with Him because we will always be with Him. Yeah.

MIKE: Yeah, the question comes from our human perspective of limitation and finiteness and since He's all present, omnipresent, all present, and He can have relationships concurrently to the maximum quality, it's inconceivable, but that's who He is. And if anything, the question, Michelle, reflects our finite nature. I mean, we all are wondering the same thing, so we appreciate that.

Amir, Donitta is asking this question. Now, let me warn you, this is a big change of topic here. We're talking about all this positive, awesome stuff, but now we have to look at the situation there in Israel as well. "What happened to the head of Hamas 'intelligence and security who was taken in the white van?" I know it's a topic shift. but can you also talk about how is that going in Gaza? Most Americans seem to be focusing on Iran and the Strait of Hormuz and all of the economic pressure. And what's the progress there in Gaza in terms of dismantling the terror infrastructure?

AMIR: After almost three years when they've lost 95% of their leaders, and they've lost over 65% of their territory, and they've lost all of their assets, including the hostages, they don't have them anymore, you would think, Mike, you would think that they will recalculate their steps and they will say, "Okay, it didn't work. Let's hand over our guns and Let's start the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Gaza." You would think that they care about...

MIKE: So, why not? This is crazy, thinking...

AMIR: Oh, because… I mean, that's where a lot of leftists in Israel and most of the world is still mistaken. You do not understand the mindset of the jihadist. A jihadist could not care less about whether he lost 98% of his ability. If he has 2%, he will use the 2% to continue his jihad. Just this morning an Israeli heavy equipment D9 actually drove over, an explosive device that was planted by Hamas. They haven't stopped. They are trying every single day to infiltrate into the area that is controlled by Israel. They're trying every day to commit another terror attack. They're trying every

single day to prove that they're not done. And if you think that money will lure them to let go of their weapons, you just don't know what jihad is all about. If you think that promising them a better future, promising them that Gaza will look like Dubai, promising them a great future, they... You don't understand something. Their victory is not their financial success. It's our loss. They feel that they win when we lose, not when they win. Their victory is not to get a state, but it's for us not to have one. That's the way they think. So as long as we exist, they will not stop the attempt to destroy us.

And a lot of people are saying, "Yes, but, you know, why don't you clear Gaza and why don't you pull out of Judea and Samaria and there will be a two-state solution?" We already pulled out of Gaza in 2005. And what did we get in return? Rockets. We already offered them Judea and Samaria, and what did we get from them? "No." Because to begin with, it's not about a state for them, it's about no state for us. It's not about what they gain, it's about what we lose. It's not about how they live, it's about how we die. This is the way they think.

And regarding the head of the intelligence, he is now hospitalized because he was, severely wounded in the abduction of him. Once he gets out of the life danger He's expected to be interrogated. There's a lot of things we want to ask him and we need him alive. Yeah, we need him alive. So We're keeping him alive as much as we can. I mean, He's, He's in the hospital right now. And trust me, we know how to make them sing or talk. But as an organization, as a movement, they will never stop. Never stop. And if you don't understand that the only language they understand, these people, is by taking over their place and kick them out, or they have to surrender. Choose, surrender or leave. That's it. But it's some... The world will have to come to that conclusion as well. I think the president of the United States already understands that.

Certainly the Israelis, most of them do. Only the far-left, liberal, progressive, globalists still believe that there is a chance for peace with these people. But most Israelis woke up from that illusion on October 7th, and the majority of the Israelis moved to the right. Because we understand now that, look, there is no one to talk to. I mean, we don't even talk the same language. This is not about peace. It's not about us living next to them. It's about them living instead of us. And by the way, most Palestinians don't want two states. They want one. They want Palestine. So when they chant, "From the river to the sea," it's because they don't want Israel. They want only Palestine.

MIKE: Good point.

AMIR: "From the river to the sea," can only be understood in one way: Israel has no right to exist. So whenever they tell you two state solution, two state solution is the West trying to shove it down the throat of most of the people here that don't want it. I mean, the Palestinians don't want it. They want me dead and they want my house. And the Israelis don't want it because they understand what the Palestinians want. They get it. So the world still lives in that illusion, and they need to wake up to smell the coffee.

MIKE: So you're saying that this is a religious, political, sociological cult that wishes the death of Israel, and that is their constitution?

AMIR: No. No. I think it's a satanic, diabolical, mindset.

MIKE: Possession? Like...

AMIR: Yeah. They want the Jews dead and they do not... The whole concept of God bringing back the Jews to their homeland is something that is foreign to them. Now, if you go back 100... Well, if you went back 70, 80 years ago, they admitted that this is our land. And by the way, you read the Quran, the Quran says that this land belongs to Bani Israel, the sons of Israel. The Quran

doesn't mention Palestine, not even once. The Quran doesn't even mention Jerusalem once as their holy city. The land belongs to Bani Israel, the sons of Israel. Everybody understands that. But they don't even believe their own Quran. They don't even follow that. All of this... ever since Israel was born, now There's a new type of Islam that is creating some realities that are detached from facts, from archeology, from history, from everything. And they create it in order to counterbalance Zionism, counterbalance the return of the Jews back to the land. And all you need is a religious person to give a stamp of approval to it and that's it. And now it works.

MIKE: I really hope people listen to what you just said. That summarizes the core of what We're seeing, not only with Hamas, but with Hezbollah, the Houthis, Islamic jihadist groups, and particularly Iran. I think you nailed it, and it's a very alarming mentality. We think they think the way we think, but they do not think the way we think. That is the reality, unfortunately.

So Pastor Barry, I'm going to take this next question—There's no name on this question—this is, again, a very harsh shift in topic. I know you know the answer to this, but I'm going to expand on it. So let me read it and then I'll put my expansion version on it. "Do the people in Israel have to say Jesus or can they continue to say Yeshua?" Now, the implication of this, for example, we have the cult of the Yahuwah. You know, you have to say the name correctly. You have to say certain Hebrew terms correctly, which aren't even Hebrew, they're just corruptions of the Phoenician alphabet and all of this, Aubrey Hebrew cult. Is it important how we say the name of Jesus? Is it important that we pronounce it correctly? What is the... You know, There's power in the name, people will say. You can be saved under no other name. Help us to understand if it's okay just to call Him Iesus or Jesus or Yeshua. How do you respond to that?

BARRY: Yeah. Mike, it's interesting because I've been exposed to this kind of up close and personal. There was a lady that used to sit in the congregation, and every time that I would say,

"Jesus," she would, under her breath, say, "Yeshua." And she came out of the whole Hebrew roots movement that the church needs to eat a kosher diet, observe the feast days, and all these other things. And, we have to remember the church is the church and Israel is Israel, and the feast days were not given to us, as the church. The feast days were given to Israel. You've got people around the world that call Him Iesu Christo, you've got Yeshua, Jesus obviously is the most familiar translation of His name. And, I don't think that we have the responsibility to speak His name in the original language in order to identify who He is. He's the Lord of all creation and I don't think that we need to get too legalistic about this. Sometimes I call Him, Yeshua, especially when Amir and I are doing stuff together. And when I read my Bible, it says, "Jesus." Jesus walked on the water. And again I don't think that we need to make too much of this as far as a salvation issue or even a matter of being blessed and fully experiencing the Christian walk in faith, [that] you have to use the right name, so to speak, is just, Mike, it seems like There's always something. And I would like this to kind of the King-James-only type of thing, you know? I remember Amir and I were; we were doing a program together one time, and somebody commented that he, Amir... we happened to be sitting side by side, He's reading from a Hebrew Bible, and somebody commented, "Amir needs to be reading from the King James." I mean, that's how far some of this stuff can go. It gets beyond the rational and sometimes into the silly. So, no, I don't think that we have to say, "The Jews have to say, Jesus, or we have to say, Yeshua." There's no other name under heaven by which we can be saved. And the name is representative of... and I think it's Psalm 138:2, that He has esteemed His Word even above all of His name. So, I think that kind of finalizes the argument right there.

MIKE: Yeah, Amir, why do you...

AMIR: I will say, I mean, the question is, "Do the people in Israel have to say Jesus or they can..." Look, when you're in Israel, you speak Hebrew. So His Hebrew name is Yeshua. When you're in America, you speak English. When you're in Greece, you speak Greek. I don't expect... And Let's remember, the only weight that I give to the Hebrew name is with the meaning, because there is no meaning to Jesus or Iesus. There is meaning to Yeshua, which means salvation. "You shall name Him Yeshua for He will save His people." So it makes sense. So if you want to analyze that, obviously it makes sense that Yeshua was the name because of the meaning and all the whole point. So, yeah, and that is why it's important.

However, if it was so important to the point that you have to use that name, why would God allow Paul to write the whole thing in Greek? I'm just wondering. And why would most manuscripts would either be that or later on in Latin, but not in the Hebrew ones? Now, of course, there are some people who are also holding the opinion that, when you read some of the Gospels, you can actually see that they were translated from Hebrew, blah, blah, blah, all of that. So Let's put the Gospels aside. What about the, the Epistles? We know they were written in Greek. And so... And we know absolutely that Revelation was written in Greek. And the point is this. I think that we have to remember, if we want to talk about the meaning of the name of Jesus, we absolutely need to mention His Hebrew name. But if we want to talk about the Epistles and Revelation and all of that, you cannot run away from the language in which it was written and say, "The language was wrong. You should say this or you should say that." God preserved His Word in that language namely, namely, it's okay to use that. Otherwise, why would He preserve it in that language? Look, when He preserved the Old Testament, for the most part in Hebrew, some in Aramaic in Daniel, but for the most part in Hebrew, then it's fine. Then I understand. But why would most of the time

Jesus was mentioned in our Bible, He was not mentioned in the original manuscripts that we found, He was not mentioned in Hebrew. He was mentioned in the Greek. So, I'm just saying, Let's stop taking those things and make them the issue. And we have, as Pastor Barry so eloquently said, it's the Word that matters, and we should not fall into legalism because it can lead us to bad places. And because before you know it they can argue that if you're not saying this, you're not saved; if you're not pronouncing it that way, you're not saved, and that's the danger.

MIKE: That's the danger.

AMIR: Yeah, I know. Yeah, that's the slippery slope, which I think is wrong.

BARRY: Yeah. Mike, let me jump in on that. Because I heard that said by a pastor at a conference that all these people who trusted in Jesus aren't saved. It's only the name of Yeshua that should be saved. So, yeah, it can go in that direction, and that's obviously wrong. Like Amir pointed out, every time you see the one that we refer to as Jesus in the Greek manuscript, it's Iesus, Iesus, Iesus. It's not Yeshua, it's Iesus. So again, it, it is something to be careful about because it can go out into this realm to where somebody would go as far to say, "You can only be saved by Yeshua. You can't be saved by Iesus or Jesus or Iesu Christo, or any other name. It has to be Yeshua."

MIKE: Yeah, well, there is this Yahuwah cult, and a lot of people write in to Behold Israel and ask us, "Help, we need help understanding what this is." Do you think these cultists have a point in using the Phoenician alphabet? Is there actually a forensic connection to some of the letters and the symbols that they draw theological connections with? Can you debunk that? Or is it just simply another alphabet? There are many Hebrew… there are many alphabets that they used to write Hebrew in...

AMIR: What, what do you mean Yahuwah? You, you mean...

MIKE: What do you mean Yahuwah? Yeah, this cult is saying the real way to pronounce Yahweh is Yahuwah, and every one of us that call Him Yahweh, or our Bibles that write that, are doctrinally wrong and satanically influenced and therefore not saved. And Amir, even I invited one of their leaders to have a conversation under the condition that we would use only Hebrew, and he ran. He ran. I, I was genuinely interested, but he ran. They're saying these symbols within the ancient Phoenician alphabet have salvific meaning to "decode" the true pronunciation and the conceptual God of the Bible that we have lost through corruption.

AMIR: I read the Hebrew, Mike. I read the Hebrew.

MIKE: That's why I'm asking you. You read the actual Hebrew, and you can read, you can even read different Hebrew scripts, Amir, not just...

AMIR: And I can tell you, there is no Yahuwah. And the reason why they say Yahuwah is because of Yeshua. They are desperately trying to prove that Jesus is God. But they don't understand that we don't need that fabrication to prove that He's God. There are so many other things that you could use. That's another thing, every time we try to help, and we come up with strange theories, like for example, that the defection from faith, the, excuse me... in 2 Thessalonians chapter 2, when it comes to... remember?

BARRY: Apostasia?

AMIR: Apostasia, yes. Apostasia. That's not the Rapture. It's never been the Rapture.

MIKE: It's the turning away from truth.

AMIR: Absolutely. And you, we can prove it from the Bible because it was used for that in the Bible. But whenever we try to help God by taking things out of context, giving it maybe a secular context and trying to... But then people make...

MIKE: Help God...

AMIR: We're, We're a laughingstock. We're a laughingstock. There are so many ways I could prove that the pre-tribulation Rapture. I don't need to make up something that biblically is *not* just so I will be able to decode this "problematic" portion of Scripture. And it's very sad. So, yeah...

MIKE: Yeah. Well, I will say this and then I'll turn it over to you because We're going to close here, but... Jesus is the only way to salvation. No one can pronounce Gods' name 100% correctly. We're all fallen human beings and need Him. And He is ready and willing to take us and forgive us our sins, and He will come into our lives as Lord and Savior and that's the bottom line. And with that, I think it's a great place to turn it back over to you, Amir, for closing.

AMIR: Yeah. Yes. Well, thank you again, and again, I want to remind everybody tomorrow is the launch day for *The Elijah Mandate*. Please give us the final stretch to get to the number that we need in order for the big stores to get it to their shelves. We are not quite yet at where we want it to be, and we know that the next two, three, four days are still... it's still possible if you pre-order it today and order it in the coming three days. It'll still be counted for the book-scan system that will alert the big stores. I also want to recommend Pastor Barrys' book, *The Time of the Signs*, a *great* book on the last days and the things that we go through and how they point at the lateness of the hour. And you can scan this QR code. And remember, there is a book that compiled all the questions from the Q&As that We've done. It's called *Bible Prophecy: The Essentials*. Pastor Barry and I compiled it a few years ago, and it's actually having the 70 most asked questions, and it's divided to topics from Israel all the way to the millennial kingdom and the New Jerusalem basically. And all of that, We're actually, We're in a need to write a new one because There's so many more new questions that were added in the last three years.

But anyway, I want to thank you guys for being obedient when it comes to how to get this word out. Just a reminder, subscribe to our YouTube channels, write a comment where you're

from. Even just that will already provoke the algorithm. Give us a like, write a comment, and the most important thing, press the share button, and it will make a wonderful difference. That's a very easy way to spread the word nowadays.

Thank you for watching. Thank you, Pastor Barry. Thank you, Pastor Mike. Thank you, everyone, for watching. Thank you. Pray for a good launch day tomorrow. And we thank you.... and now I'll see you guys in Lees' Summit, Missouri this coming Saturday together with Pastor Barry, we will teach the *Israel Decree Conference*. And if you're still interested in signing up, There's still seats available and you can find it on our website, beholdisrael.org. There're seats available for the Lees' Summit conference and a week later in Fort Worth, Texas as well. Go to beholdisrael.org. Thank you. God bless you, and shalom.

BARRY: Shalom.

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