

THE FUTURE OF EUROPE AN ASSESSMENT OF BIBLICAL DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE ON THE FUTURE OF EUROPE AS IT AFFECTS THE UK

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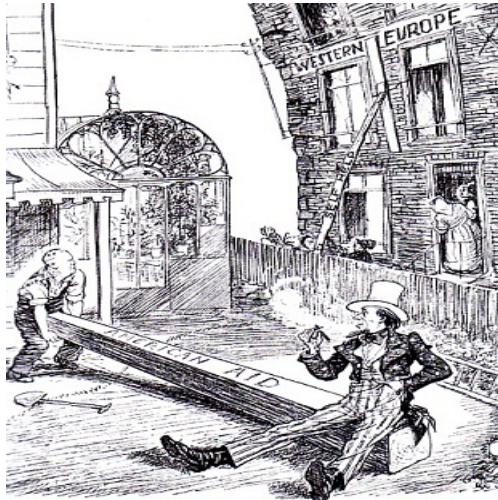
INTRODUCTION

From the high Euphoria of a scintillating Soccer season with our esteemed Claudio Ranieri and a sparkling team of footballing legends our attention must now quickly turn to the development of Europe and Britain's place within or outside that mainstream. We have ahead the most sobering situations yet to challenge Europe and the world as we face into what the Martin Institute sees as the final days of an epoch.

The guidance currently afforded in facts and forecasts of economists' business leaders and politicians of note in respect of the European Issue for GB cancel one another out in the media and leave the electorate in a state of inertia. We now really need another analysis to see ahead-a genuine and valid future perspective – something as veritable as prophetic -nothing less than *the good old book*. I ask: Have the prophets not spoken? Does the Almighty not know? Why in the pursuit of truth do we not consult God's testimony on our times?. We have access to Daniel addressing the subject to the veriest detail and we have Jesus references in Aramaic Greek and English. Why resort to the dice as I suspect many voters will when the momentous "remain" or "leave" decision demands a vote when we have the very highest authority going on the record?

HOW DID WE GET WHERE WE ARE?

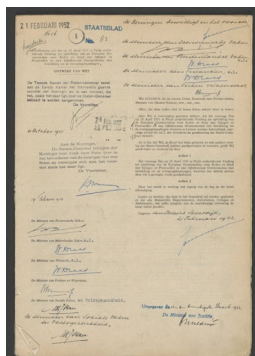
In 1973 Edward Heath sold entry into The Then "European Common Market" (earlier the "Coal and Steel community") under the slogan "Go out and meet your destiny". In the light of Winston Churchill's statement "It seems I preside over the dissolution of the British Empire" and the weakness of Europe in the immediate aftermath of the Second World War this was destiny. Enforcing this notion was Teddy Roosevelt's idea of an alliance to combat Russia's growing influence- the "United States of Europe". Economics entered into this mix heavily with the plan to rebuild Germany then so emaciated looking in the wake of war. The Marshall Plan which resulted in an initial gift of 17 billion dollars of grant aid was born when in June 1947 the American general George Marshall went to Europe returning with the intelligence that Europe was so poor it was in danger of turning Communist not least because it was a breeding ground of hate. Harry Truman's government put this plan into action 31 March, 1948. Another extension of Truman's plans was the formation of NATO in 1949. Thus the power of the Russian Bear and the impoverishment of the European lady and Britain's loss of Empire were all factors in the "destiny package" Edward Heath got hold of. However this element in British Destiny which has played a significant role in the build up of participating member states to 28 should be seen as a phase of destiny not a finale of destiny.



This cartoon of 1 October 1947 by EH Shepard for the British magazine *Punch* shows Marshall (on the left) telling 'Uncle Sam': 'Come on Sam! It's up to us again.' John D.Clare “Cold War”

THE EU

The European Union has exclusive competencies which include policy making, the customs union, competition, fisheries policy, international agreements. It has partial but increasingly significant powers relating to the internal market, social policy, environment, transport, energy, freedom-security-justice, health and safety and common defence&security. In practice research, wider cooperation and aid remain largely national competencies and in health industry education and sport the EU has a support role. Numerous treaties regulate these powers since the original 1958 Treaty of Rome-and the Schuman Monet Iron & Steel Treaty of 1951 stirred opposition in Britain affecting British “products” seriously... Today 28 member states make up the European Union. *Data drawn from Wikipedia Archive*



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LEGAL TEST CASE ON TREATY POWERS By creating a Community of unlimited duration, having its own institutions, its own personality, its own legal capacity and capacity of representation on the international plane and, more particularly, real powers stemming from a limitation of sovereignty or a transfer of powers from the States to Community, the Member States have limited their sovereign rights and have thus created a body of law which binds both their nationals and themselves...The transfer by the States from their domestic legal system to the Community legal system of the rights and obligations arising under the Treaty carries with it a permanent limitation of their sovereign rights. *European court of Justice 1964, Costa v ENEL Italian National Electricity Supplier*

THE BIG PICTURE

Saint Augustine talked about “knowing the dispensations” by which he meant the great phases of God’s arrangements for the nations of the world. He would have instanced Pre-flood antiquity and then Moses to Christ followed by the Apostolic era and early Fathers when he imagined the millennium had come. Paul talked about “knowing the times are evil”. Jesus in Aramaic is spoken of as “Man of the moment” and He talked about “watching because we don’t know the hour of His visit”. His visit or *parousia* in Matthew 24 is a harbinger of the restitution of all things and herald of the establishment of the Kingdom of God. Though Augustine in his quirky manner calculated a millennium as due in his time he was clearly misguided and the Constantinian period proved no more the golden era than Moses years in the desert. With the 1948 gathering of Jews from all nations preliminary to the gathering Christians from all nations and Jesus’ return to set up His kingdom at the end of the New Rome period the last times are truly ushered in.

BRITAIN’S HISTORY

As a nation Britain since before Christ providing tin and in course of time also iron ore and became a nation of shopkeepers even before the industrial revolution. Her “dirty British coasters” farmed Europe and the world for trade. Britain now thrives best in freely trading with the globe. This nation led the anti-slavery campaign and more modernly played a pivotal role in establishing a national homeland after close on 2000 years for the Jewish Diaspora. From being “an empire on which the sun never sets” spreading the English language as a *lingua franca* of science and engineering theology and medicine it took a lead role. More recently it has been a strong player in European Union. It is with the entrenchment of Europe or the New Roman Empire as a political union that Britain has begun to swim against the stream. With the incremental development of this state known as the “beast” in its final form in scripture that British politicians and many people have become disillusioned. Britain wants trade but not a diminishing of its sovereign parliament in law.

THE IRON AND CLAY FOOTWORK OF THE IMAGE

Daniel’s image of the Roman heritage Empire is one of iron and clay. Both the eastern and western legs have clay feet. In Daniel 2.33 we read “Its feet are partly of iron and partly of baked clay pounded.” The “shards” factor (i) speaks of an Empire built of broken states which in their earlier form reach back to Roman times. The “shards” or “soft clay” PAKHRA in the *Syriac* (ii) may signify people groups added by natural

migration or (iii) represent what remains when Christ the Potter breaks into the Empire as in Luke 12 39ff in His Visit. In *Aramaic* the word “clay” in Daniel 2.43A renders “ARAB” *Aramaic* (where lexicons render “foreign” or “black”). In Daniel 2.43B we read “METHARAB” meaning “broken shards” or “worn pottery”. Scripture gives testimony to social mutation accelerated by addition from another source of construction - immigration leading to the cultural polarization that will not really mix so “Feet of iron and clay stuck or pounded to it”. This non union continually attempted as the reformed Empire or second phase Rome develops is with us to the end.

The immigration issue that swamps services and defies reduction to date can be deduced from the text of Daniel but the event of greatest moment –the return of Jesus Christ –and its harbinger the “kingdom of the beast” is the more significant event represented by the stone that crushes the clay. Whilst in the Apocalypse (18.4) the Lord who knows the hearts of nations seek *luxury and wealth* gives them over to that future He also declares “Come out of her my people” in the Apocalypse. Is anyone listening? Does it matter that Christ has issued an alert to nations that know what lies ahead to side step the wrath that awaits Rome Redivivus?

THE WISDOM OF DANIEL

Daniel (Renowned prophet of Lion’s den fame) advised Nebuchadnezzar of the westward development of earth’s power blocs reaching in time “western edges” of the Mediterranean basin. Empires of gold, silver and bronze in the king’s dream cede to the ultimate iron-clay power bloc of the “image” which breaks up simultaneous with its predecessors under divine edict at Christ’s Kingdom.

Daniel was clear that the “iron” (Roman heritage) Empire would be (a) partly strong partly weak (b) a “mixture of people” that will not remain united because iron and clay do not bond and would (c) maintain uneasy stability from *ten constituent nations* upon which at the last the stone of God’s destined kingdom would fall dissolving the other old power in their modern Iranian, Iraqi, Greek and Western form in one joint fate of disintegration [Daniel 2.45]. Whilst the trading world now exists in ten blocs the 10 toed image envisaged in Daniel and Revelation reflect this ancient image as a final 10 nation Euro Empire.



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EZEKIEL –TIMING OF A COMING CONFLICT [Ezekiel38 3-8]

Economics cannot be separated from security and the threat of war. We need to factor in whether we are in for sustained peace and ask “Has the threat of wide ranging war receded? Such a threat is certainly ever more frequently mentioned in the press and feared by strategists. War if nothing else will utterly change the dynamic of development and should it involve a nuclear exchange alters the world much for the worse. What does the good book say?

This prophet Ezekiel joined Daniel in Babylon after 9 years in 597BC. God said to him ‘Cause yourself to foretell future events about Gog. And say, "Thus says the LORD God, 'Behold me against You O lifter of Rosh Meshech and Tubal [*Russian Union*] Persia [*Iran*] and Ethiopia with Southern Egypt [*Sudan*] and Libya complete with body armour and helmet. Gomer (*Ukraine*) and all its armed wings; the house of Togarmah [*Turkey*] the remote regions of the obscure north and all its armed wings - great peoples with you. Establish yourself and be constituted with a leader. In the uttermost of years or latter time you will come to a land after its return from sword; after its quibbutz gathering from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which were continually desolate and she has been caused to come back and they were all dwelling in a *condition of security*. When will this happen? Ezekiel who was a captive near what is now Baghdad gives a straight answer. It will be when Israel comes back and still has Qibbutzniks and dwells securely. Ezekiel notably adds that Russia will act swiftly drawn by two hooks into the mid east war theatre. We could speculate that Syria and Ukraine figure in this context but we need not. The lesson of the book is that this day is drawing close and Ezekiel further adds that the West initially employs diplomacy asking Rosh “Have you come to take great spoil?”. Teddy Roosevelt’s ploy to parry Russia by empowering Europe will not ultimately counter this threat though to date it has fulfilled that role.

DANIEL ON EUROPE AND MID EAST PEACE [Daniel9.27]

The war Ezekiel explains was also explained to Daniel who prayed about the future of his Jewish people.

Gabriel [Dan8.15ff]and in his declarations recorded by Daniel spoke of the(European) leader first enabling a new Jewish temple – a concession in the wake of the (rapture)visit of Messiah which he later rescinds. And he said "Behold me while I let you know that which will happen at the uttermost end of the indignation for it belongs to a set time of harvest. The ram which you saw with two horns represents the kings of the Medes and Persians and the hairy mountain goat is Greece. The great horn between his eyes -he is the first king. Gabriel summarised the period521-323-200 years from Darius and Cyrus through to Alexander in 20 words. And in the uttermost or latter time of their realm transgressors are to pay out or be consumed. The ancient analysis sees Kurds (Medes) and Iranians (Persians) affected by an exceedingly wicked strife that is plain for all to see engulfing the Levant today. Gabriel then speaks about the same Roman heritage world ruler and actions and events that belong to his seat of empire. A ruler "fierce" or "resolute"["bold"] of countenance who understands enigmas or sublime spiritual discourse [Haggadah] will stand up. The empire has a wealth of learning including religious erudition. And his power will be "binding" but not through his own might or wealth. There is a firm body of law. And he will corrupt or spoil his own wonderful works. Later issues alter everything. And he will cause prosperity or success The project

promotes prosperity. And he is industrious or labours or executes & commands Industrial treaties. And he causes the moral corruption or ruin or destruction of the mighty or heroes and the holy people [Jews]. Without staying with this comment there is an aegis of serious warfare and Jewish tragedy like a skeleton in the cupboard of this power. And relying on his cunning he will advance guile [the root suggests "betrayal"] and cause success [the root means "treaty success"] by the power of taxation [the ruler has parliamentary capacity to levy tax]. And in his fatness or prosperity [at the peak of success] he will act proudly or magnify himself. And through peace he will waste many by prodigality [There appear to be no audit of spending]. And he will make decrees against the prince of princes [European law will counter to Christ's teaching]. And by the extremity of a hand he will be broken. A kindred fate to that of Belshazzar awaits the Roman heritage Leader. Gabriel is warning of what must be the overreach of Europe's final dictator.

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MATTHEW'S PAROUSIA –A CATALYST FOR CHANGE IN EUROPE

The final discourse of Jesus' ministry (Matthew 24 with Luke 21.28-29) was given on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives and it encourages us to understand that whatever the pressures of our day there is a new day dawning.

I translate from Aramaic "From the fig tree [Israel] recognize and resolve a parable...that once its branches bow and its leaves bud [in flower] you know that summer is arriving. Thus also when you see all these things you know that it has arrived at the break through point. Verily I say to you that this widespread or enlarged generation shall not pass away until all these things be fulfilled. The implication is that the Jewish people would endure some enormous difficulties but that from those who settled and their sons many would live to greet Messiah. Europe is the vision of every Europhile but we would be unwise to put on the back burner the greater vision of the coming of the Kingdom of God. Matthew makes three mentions of a long heralded visit of Jesus Christ to meet His bride. Any informed biblical approach to latter day world events cannot fail to incorporate this Parousia visit because it will be "the" catalyst for change in Europe, change in alliances, change in economics, change in security and change in the whole tone of human relationships especially reactive change towards a heavily authoritarian and secular world administration. For this reason it may be sense enough to be "in" the European Union today but for the child (ren) of the future it would be highly advisable to be long

gone from its midst and steering a right course. To fail to eject now is to act irresponsibly towards a future generation as the events forecast in the bible unfold.



LUKE'S SUPPLEMENT

Luke was a Greek doctor. Is it not notable that the Almighty chose to set forth a classic detail of world affairs in the latter days that would implacably impact Greece itself, Luke's homeland? In LUKE 21 the irony and relevance of the prophetic words of our Lord that Luke reports in this connection is evident.

Luke supplements(Luke 21.25-29) Matthew's material from which the above excerpt is taken with a reference which I translate from Greek "On earth a 'tightening of the belt' of nations in a time of falling trade(The Greek original reads APHORIA –the inability of nations to pay debt) The sea and the waves roaring (The original warrants the exegesis "undersea upheaval and surface tsunami like waves"-an invisible source of a very visible problem and that problem understood geo-physically in the modern context is closely related to our modern "global warming" and the El Nino effect which so seriously impacts climate and understood fiscally is nothing other than our sovereign debt crisis). It appears the Lord is not only speaking about a literal but also about a political tsunami and the "Sea" both in Daniel and Christ's teaching in the first instance respects the Mediterranean basin.

OUR LORD' FINAL CRY-AVOID ENMESHMENT

The call of Jesus Christ in the bible book of Revelation to leave a halcyon Fallen Babylon (a N.T.pseudonym for Rome cf 17.9 The city on 7 hills and the "woman on the beast" [a symbol believe it or not you will find duplicated and sculptured in metal at the Brussels parliament building-indicating the scriptural& classical nous of architects] is the final stark message of the Apocalypse before Kingdom Come. The Lord calls from heaven "Come out of her my people"! (Rev18.4) The background warrants a quote or two. John the divine writes "The kings of the earth committed adultery with her and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries." He tells us that "in one day her plagues will overtake her". He adds "The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys their cargoes any more". John actually gives us a commodity summary of 27 items shipped to Europe for the finance, clothing, food and transport industries i.e. "the "horses" and carriages" adding "bodies and souls of men" as if a significant population intake is essential to drive the industrial progress of modern day "Babylon" This incorporation of migrants is exactly the classic event of our time. Just when this Roman heritage empire is ensconced in luxury and careless of the visit of Christ that takes the church to heaven and makes her a widow she falls. John dramatises the fall as an angel tosses a millstone sized boulder into the Mediterranean. That is to say an ultimate crisis in Europe is coming. The statement of Jesus Christ on the Roman

heritage Empire calls for His people to leave (Rev 18.4) and for Rome to taste suffering and grief *after that departure* as a penalty for its persecutions. Ten persecutions from Nero to Diocletian and subsequently (as holocaust) fall within the scope of this judgment.

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THE ANGEL OF THE APOCALYPSE & THE MYSTERY

We have not yet come to the establishment of Daniel's long heralded mid-east peace plan. In the hard-nosed world of the Roman heritage Empire we can expect perhaps within a generation a radical shift of power and the well known horseman scenarios [Revelation6] open into a truly apocalyptic series of ghastly events revealed by the Lord through the angel of the apocalypse.

The last book of the bible runs a set of *parentheses* in step with the narrative so one learns more about the history of events as the book unfolds. In one of these [Chapter 17] the angel guide says "I will tell you the mystery of the woman and the beast that "pays for her" (carries her weight). The story of Rome secular and spiritual is let us say not wholesome –pretty awful really from God's perspective when we adopt that perspective and it seems to me it is folly not to.

Gibbon speaks of Rome failing from moral rotteness although scripture speaks of its actual fall by a sword wound or war [13.12]

In the Aramaic language the word "But" [DIN] is like a kaleidoscope-it marks change of perspective. At the time of John's writing 17.3 the seven heads or rulers(from Caesar to Galba) were as well known to the apostle as the seven hills of Rome but the future 10 horns were not known nor could they be known. Besides the beast or empire was to collapse and reconstitute. This is stated three times so it is affirmative and we live under this re-constitution currently. In Apocalypse 13.1 the beast rises from the (*Mediterranean*) sea and its ultimate economic stranglehold is represented by the 666 trademark. The final Roman heritage Empire in its ten nation confederation John predicts will rule for ONE HOUR (Aramaic SHATHA). Luke 4.5 has it "at a stigma (Greek "moment") of time" This expression translates as "a brand-mark" period of history cf. *Daniel 3.5,10,15*. This master-plan period spoken of by Luke in relation to the 3rd temptation is to be rolled out in the not to distant future and what is more the digital and technical expertise needed to microchip the Roman heritage Empire is extant. The twist is that the smaller group of

powers finally allied with the beast are given their way by God to unite as one with the beast. The “moment in question is still future but there’s no time like the present to escape a stranglehold and will a better chance of withdrawal ever be offered before posterity is inexorably in the bondage of the events outlined above.

THE REFERENDUM ROLL-CALL & THE ELEMENT OF FEAR

(i) *Not an easy road* One thing is certain –the Lord’s kingdom is the highest aspiration and scripture says that God put it into the hearts of the horns to give their authority to the Beast or Roman heritage Empire but that in a post rapture framework where the church does not guide and nations run amok from their earlier tradition to a god their fathers did not know. They accept a supranational organ of government that includes in its commerce buying and selling of the bodies and souls of men and women-a new slavery. When the door is open and the way is clear to leave the angel calls in the nick of time as with Lot & Sodom and Moses & Egypt and Daniel and Babylon “Come out of her (modern “Babylon) There are no bouquets ready to be handed out by the EU for withdrawal. Common sense tells us it the more difficult decision but a golden opportunity for a free people who anticipate a great Kingdom and higher calling.

(ii) *The Merkel effect.* Ted Heath said “Go out and meet your destiny!” (1973 after entry refusals in 63 & 67) We could quote Harold MacMillan with approval “The winds of change” are blowing in Europe –strong right wing movements are on the march in Poland, Hungary, Austria and the Netherlands and to a lesser extent elsewhere in France for instance. Angela Merkel’s bold initiative opened the gates to the refugees from war and failed economies and solved one problem-Germany’s need for young workers. Her action and the unabated immigration of today promotes the “mix that does not adhere” and is it not the case that some feel it invites in the Trojan horse of militant cells and stirs serious reaction in Germany? Europe’s eastward reach exceeds its grasp as the Ukrainian episode shows-the EU burnt its fingers and has annoyed the Russian bear. Turkey’s application for membership linked with the immigrant surge is now stronger. Brexit would mark the turning point of European growth. It cannot reverse the “non adherence” factor but it would hasten the “break up” factor.

(iii) Dean Henry Alford of Westminster wrote the most learned NT commentary on NT Greek text and asserts that “Sodom and Egypt” in Revelation 11 is the Roman heritage Empire. *When Lot and family fled Sodom under the escort of angels their immediate future was in God’s hands. The Apocalyptic passage in mind takes us to the future extrapolation of Europe’s failures in the light of which God’s exit call from modern Babylon(Rev.18.4)enabled in referendum must not be despised in our national context.*

(iv) *Important matters count* A Bill of Rights, Magna Carta, the Supremacy of British judiciary and the sovereignty of the Mother of Parliaments. These are of no little account and yet the ship of state has already gone adrift from its historic anchorage of faith and the nation has bought into a secularist and humanist verdict. Will it at this moment listen to the God of heaven or the Serpent of the Abyss? Will it rejoice in the seal of God or settle for the mark of the beast?

(v) *Destiny!* Was Britain to commit to “Brexit” it needs to call on all that entrepreneurial initiative that created this “nation of shopkeepers”. The nation’s GDP has to meet the needs of an enlarging population. Farmers and fishermen and shopkeepers are not enough nowadays to keep the show on the road. Science and engineering and electronic and computing skills are vital. Whatever the June 23 verdict the nation will not hit the buffers if it commits to “Brexit” but it will require workers to work and leaders to lead and the use of every skill to craft a way forward for industry and commerce.

(vi) *Fear of the unknown* We shall discover soon whether the people want a super state and have the courage to face down fear. We need to cast on the right side of the ship of state. To vote “No” to the *Roman heritage Empire* is to grasp with both hands a unique opportunity which will never agreeably recur. The recent proposal to unite the Bonn and London Stock markets and the withdrawal of Tata under the duress of a price war with China demonstrate that our economy is now perhaps more bound up with financial services than iron and steel: still we need to find good market options for our products including steel products like motors.



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(vii) *The restitution of all things* Christ’s last call is “Come out of her my people” and the Lord goes on “She says I am a queen never a widow”. This empire is going to say “I don’t miss the Church and the Lord’s presence!”. The restitution of all things was first mooted by James brother of Jesus and it remains God’s plan to bring the final harsh dictatorship of supranational Europe to a halt at Christ’s coming. To vote “No” in June 2016 to the Roman heritage Empire is not to have it in our heart to give this kingdom to the beast-is be wise to the mark of the beast which binds-is to take aboard the “Midnight cry” parable Jesus told and put his Kingdom first-it is to avoid being at war with the Lamb and such decision cannot be in conflict with His will.

But how can we leave the E.U. where from the outset 1000 British civil servants began work in 1973 advising the highest authorities of the Roman heritage Empire and hordes of them are ensconced today? The question might have been asked of Daniel-how can we leave Babylon which is so great and feeds us all? Daniel advised Nebuchadnezzar earth’s greatest ruler at the time and yet at the opportunity his people were given to leave they left never to return and they managed very well –indeed God opened up what we call the Second Temple era for them and that lead to the first coming of Christ. The mirror event of Brexit would be another clear harbinger of the Parousia and Second Coming of Christ when though the merchants may mourn heaven will rejoice over the fall of the Beast, the judgment of the harlot, the vindication of martyrs and the establishment of the Kingdom of God. The reduction of 28 states to 10 is unmistakably written into history and must soon become reality in the time measured out for it.

BREXIT maybe but BREAK-UP is most surely coming!
Thy kingdom come O Lord Thy rule O Christ begin
Break with thine iron rod the Tyrannies of Sin.

AMEN MARANATHA

An ABC monograph in support of withdrawal from the E.U.

A SHORT RESUME

The high profile symbols of Europe

The flag with its 12 stars circled on a blue background designed by Mr. Levi (cf Arsene Hietz appears to link with the Madonna's halo but the link is denied. The E.U. parliament building at Strasburg is uncannily akin to the incomplete Tower of Babel and that is not denied-what is to be added? Is this a ruin predicted? Is it a folly in progress? The bronze lady astride the beast compares closely to the Purple-clad Woman of the Apocalypse mounted on the beast. These concepts demand that we delve into scripture to look at is symbols and story alongside that of Europe.

1. The woman in purple & jewels sits on 7 hills

In the **APOCALYPSE 17** this woman is described-she represents luxury wealth and adulterous relationships. Teddy Roosevelt in 1945 proposed a United States of Europe to counter Russian expansion. The Marshall plan of June 46 was brought into law by Truman in March 1947 with 17B aid package. Soon the EEC of Schuman and Monet was getting more like a state and Rome was its base as it began. Britain's accession was in 1973.

2. The Beast of triple origin

In **REVELATION 13** the Beast rises from the sea (a Mediterranean Empire). It has *leopard* or *panther* likeness-stalking the world or black and white in its inclusiveness like USA. It has Bear like feet as it takes in the former Soviet East Germany Ukraine and the Baltic states. It has the mouth of the Lion encompassing Britain and benefiting from her diplomacy. The Beast also comes from the **ABYSS (11.7 CF 9.1)** its heavy industry utterly dependant on oil largely imported until North Sea reserves were discovered. It also originates in the **DESERT (17.3)** in that it was the brain child of the US which in John's time was a vast desert and in development holds close ties with the Gulf States and the Saudis.

3. The Empire foretold 550BC

Daniel interpreted Nebuchadnezzar's dream in **DANIEL 2**- its head of gold and shoulders and arms of silver and torso of bronze and legs of iron and knees and feet of iron and clay or "Shards" (in Hebrew "Arab" or Arabised). *Rome Redivivus* in its halcyon days mixes its culture with that of external broken national societies pouring in and infiltrating in-adding new patches to an old garment that will tear it to shreds. This stage mirrors the last scenes of the Apocalypse where Europe as the new Babylon prostitutes its way of life and culture and appears drunk naked and mounted on a beast headed for the wilderness of disaster as the toes of her feet or horns on her heads fairly contribute to her final disaster.

4. Gabriel, current wickedness and warnings

DANIEL 8 the angel that told Daniel of 173,880 days 445BC to 32AD speaks of the final state of Greece - 4fold as Greece Palestine Egypt and Syria. Also of Medes & Persians and Wickedness that

would affect them. He told of a Tyrant with Theology and might in Trade and Treaty creation and Tax levying and Temple promotion.

5. John the divine on luxury and slavery

REVELATION 18 28 commodities predicted as imports including gold clothing building materials meats motors cosmetics & trade in the bodies and souls of men. A new slavery of mind conscience and person –cf. the mark of the beast in Revelation 13.18.

6. The Fall of the Second Rome

In **REVELATION 18.17** we are told of the ruin of the Second Rome. No man buys the cargoes - this empire crashes to rise no more. It is the end of commercialism. Europe's music, masons & mills fall silent. Europe's day and night mode of light goes dark, marriages cease, merchants howl and its sorcery ends. The Lord allowed nations to integrate in a second even greater Babylon and prophetically names this scheme Babylon- adding the clearest possible call for His people's exit and predicts with utmost clarity its sudden fall and ruin(Apocalypse 18.4)

7. The Nemesis of the Great City

In **APOCALYPSE 17.16, 18.8 & 18.18** Rome burns. What was wrong? It was living in luxury, it was careless (Ez 39.6 "Those dwelling safely or carelessly in the coastlands") It was adulterous and persecuted the prophets and righteous ones. God calls "Come out" "Requite her suffering" and Give her grief for luxury and see her fall who said she was a queen and no widow 18.7 even despising the VISIT of Christ.

8. Ten Horns and many merchants

The ten horns in **APOCALYPSE 17.17** agree to give their authority to the beast till words of God filled up. The Dragon –Satan also did (13.2) In unprecedented pooling of power the Antichrist will come to reign and oppose Christ. In face of Satan's quest for his seat let each state retain liberty to make their own law. For politico economic chains presume future spiritual chains await.

NOTES ON VIEWPOINTS OF CURRENT LEADERS

(1) Cardinal Ratzinger (disinclined to further political union) "Dan2 Aware God will destroy-"Unified Europe should not be encouraged". SACRUM IMPERIUM ROMANUM. His view recedes.

(2)2014 Vivienne Reding (Ever closer union with open borders) Commissioner Camba Should be USofE Britain would not be in. This view is being put to the test in June.

(3) President Orban of Hungary (refuses further foreign ingredients) dismisses democracy-and as an autocrat admires China & Russia. This sinister view of the ultra right strengthens also in Poland and Austria.


(4) Pope Francis (Encourages the mix) Human face of utopia "We need political union step by step by process-give up more powers" Cdl. Marx "Encourage project integration at all levels". This easy as you go incremental Rome Redivivus is rolling on fitfully.

(5) Chancellor Angela Merkel (determined to continue the mix) 2010 Not too much Islam but more Christianity. This Christian Democrat view is pleasant but floundering.

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