

為以色列禱告之焦點 96.12.1

隨著本週在 ANNAPOLIS 會議結束，我一些觀點想要跟你們分享，我寫了一些在以色列做連結時的事，以下是 Juster 博士的分析，我想重申我們會在上帝對亞伯拉罕之約中對以色列分配的疆界委身，上帝的約會用永遠堅立且全然壯大。

我深信企圖那些參與在改變以色列疆域使和平假象產生的行動，會有不法的情事產生，然而，不法的情事在未來會越來越多，為耶路撒冷的平安禱告，改變的時刻來臨了。

In Him,
Chuck D. Pierce

From Dan Juster:

許多基督徒都認為美國正對以色列施壓要放棄她們的土地，而且堅信這將使審判臨到美國，這種認知和真理是大相逕庭的，毋寧說，是美國政府和以色列中主張以土地換取和平的人中間產生了改變，今天以色列的主要問題是大多數的人都不想在以色列國土疆界中建立一個恐怖分子的國家，以色列不信任聯合國及多邊國組成的組織能帶給她們安全，自從去年真主黨在戰後重建了牠的勢力後，這種黎巴嫩的經驗就更戲劇化的助長了這種認知。

我們絕對委身在以色列土地永遠是屬於猶太人的真理上，但是，我們也需要對以色列在真實的發現自己的困境中、給予她們更多的同理心。

大多數的以色列人都想要保有約旦河道地中海之間的土地及戈蘭高地，但是，困難點在於人口逐漸成長的巴勒斯坦人，人數至少有 250 萬，多可能 300 萬人，根據以色列的認知：有兩種解決方式，而其中一種幾乎是不可行的，第一種方式是告知他們離開以色列或是殺死他們，我們先拋開巴勒斯坦人的想法，用轉換的方式思考，這可能由鄰近國家發動戰爭並開放他們的邊界，讓這些巴勒斯坦人進入後在封閉邊界，除此外，留下的巴勒斯坦人可能會被擊殺，值得感恩的是，大多數的以色列人並沒有這麼不人道的想法，但令人訝異的是，我曾多方從基督徒口中得知這種想法，他們甚至不關心巴勒斯坦人的靈魂是否得救。

第二種做法是以色列永遠統治這些巴勒斯坦人但沒有統治權，但這沒有意義且招致反對的聲浪，聖經上說要善待客呂跟寄居的，然而，若寄居的在認同猶太文化及以色列統治的前提下，他們就可以被接納，不幸的是：巴勒斯坦人受到伊斯蘭基本教派的影響更深，他們是不可能接受猶太文化的。

以色列會不會願意賦予巴勒斯坦人公民權呢？或許會吧----那要等 20 年後當巴勒斯坦人的人數超越以色列人口時。

所以，以色列的猶太人會選擇分割土地，將西岸及迦薩走廊給巴勒斯坦人建國，這對以色列的大多數猶太人來說是相當清楚的輪廓，大部份的西岸及迦薩走廊會割給巴勒斯坦阿拉伯人建國，以色列會為了安全的緣故，保有一些主要的邊界殖民區，儘管當中已經有許多殖民區都成為小城市了，以色列會用一些自己的土地來交換這些殖民區的土地，以色列會保有約旦河谷，最後，以色列會把東耶路撒冷給巴勒斯坦人當作首都，而以色列會保有舊城市的猶太人口及其他的其他地方，包括那些他先前向鄰近地區得來的地土，以色列會繼續拒絕那些歸回以色列土地上的巴勒斯坦人的權利--那些住在難民營的人，任何歸來的巴勒斯坦人都會被視為建立巴勒斯坦國的助力。

眾所皆知的，夷平這些較次要的殖民區會是痛苦的，可能也會產生暴力衝突，那些曾建立這些殖民區的人會傾向保有土地，他們是一群在承諾中以救世主自居的信心之人。

分割的耶路撒冷是個具爭論性的話題，但都多數的以色列人認為持此一看法很合理。

對今天大多數的以色列人來說，真正的問題是他們不想被壓迫著同意在以色列境內的疆界中建立滿佈飛彈及恐怖份子的巴勒斯坦國，以色列讓出迦薩及黎巴嫩 並以恐怖行動作為回應，如果真能帶來和平，百分之 70 的以色列人會同意讓步 而這些都是所謂的基督教錫安主義者所不了解的。

所以，以色列發現自己站在一個艱難的地位，他能做什麼？他面臨黎巴嫩北邊由伊朗支持的真主黨威脅、黎巴嫩南部，更有伊朗支持的哈瑪斯、我們要把法塔視為跟真主黨同一類的族群 -- 一股要滅絕以色列的勢力，牠們的方法是大開門戶迎接巴勒斯坦難民並使以色列人口相對減少，以誅滅以色列，這樣，世界就會在巴勒斯坦難民議題上更多的對以色列施壓。

That is why, in the midst of all this, we have prayed:

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Israel Prayer Focus

PRAYER UPDATE FROM ISRAEL - (12/01/2007)

Israel - Peace? Lawlessness? Change?

Dear Friends:

With the Israeli/Palestine peace talks held in Annapolis this week, I felt I should send some perspective for you to ponder and pray about. I wrote several of those that I am associated with in Israel. Here is Dr. Dan Juster's analysis for us. I want to reiterate that we are committed to the boundaries that were allotted Israel in the Abrahamic covenant. The covenant of God is established and will manifest fully.

However, these are changing times when people, nations and leaders are making key choices. In the book, [*God's Unfolding Battle Plan*](#), I have three chapters that I want to encourage you to read: The Power War, The War of the Nations and The Wealth War. Both of these fully explain how Mammon will influence our decision making as nations arise and contend for power.

I actually believe that the changing of these boundaries, in an attempt to produce peace, actually breeds lawlessness in those who participate. However, lawlessness will arise in the days ahead. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. These are times of change.

There will be contention after contention. Some will say there is peace, when there is no peace. At the bottom of this email notice a portion of an article from Bridges of Peace (www.bridgesforpeace.com) which shares how the Palestinian Authority is reporting this week's discussions.

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From Dan Juster:

Many Christians think that the United States is pressuring Israel to give up land for peace. This, they believe, will lead to judgment on America. This is far from the truth. Rather, there has been a change in the government and the consensus of Israelis who now want to give up land for peace. The major problem in Israel today is that many do not want to make a foolish agreement with an entity that could easily turn into a terrorist state on Israel's borders. Israel also does not trust the U. N. or other multi-national consortiums to provide security. The experience of Lebanon reinforces this dramatically, since Hezbollah has been allowed to fully rebuild its power after the last war.

We are absolutely committed to the truth that the Land of Israel has been promised to the Jewish people forever. Yet, we need also to have empathy for the impossible dilemma in which Israel finds herself.

Most Israelis would like to keep all of the land between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea; they would also like to keep the Golan. However, the dilemma is what to do with the growing population of the West Bank and Gaza Palestinians who are not Israeli citizens. It is estimated that the total of this population is about 2 1/2 million on the low estimate side, and 3 million on the high estimate. There are two solutions to this problem perceived by Israel as too immoral to consider and one that is at least possible. One is that this population can be told to leave or die. We simply get rid of the Palestinians. This is the transfer option. It would require going to war with the neighboring countries and opening their borders, marching the Palestinians across, and then sealing the border. Short of this, the Palestinians can be killed. Thankfully, the great majority of Israelis are too moral to consider these as possible options. Amazingly, I have heard Christians voice such directions and show they have no care for the souls of the Palestinians.

The second option is to simply rule the Palestinians forever and not give them full political rights. This option is demeaning and would bring world rejection. It is true that the Bible says that the stranger and sojourner should be treated with great compassion and justice. However, that sojourner is only accepted in the Land if they willingly embrace the Jewish character and leadership of the State. Palestinians are now more and more affected by radical Islam, which cannot accept the

Jewish character of the State.

Were Israel to simply keep the land and to give the Palestinians full citizenship, they would eventually, in two decades or so, surpass Israel's Jewish population. This is the demographic bombshell.

So, the Jewish population of Israel has decided that the best option is to divide the land, and give the West Bank and Gaza to the Palestinians for a State. The outline of this is quite clear to most Jews in Israel. Most of the West Bank and Gaza would be given to the Palestinian Arabs for their state. Israel would retain the key border area settlements needed for security in which settlements are already small cities. She would trade other land that is part of Israel in exchange for keeping these settlements. Israel also wants to keep the Jordan River valley. Lastly, Israel would give East Jerusalem to the Palestinians for their capital. Israel would keep control of the Jewish quarter of the Old City and the rest of the city, including those expansions of neighborhoods that were formerly on the other side of the green line. Israel rejects the right of return to Israel proper for the Palestinian Arabs who have fled Israel, many of whom are still living in refugee camps. Any Palestinian return would have to be to the Palestinian State.

It is known that dismantling the lesser settlements will be painful and possibly violent. Those who have settled them support keeping all the Land. They are Messianic in their commitment.

The dividing of Jerusalem is the most contentious issue, but there is a majority for even this.

The real problem to most of today's Israelis is that they do not want to be pressured into allowing a Palestinian State where it will entail missiles and terror on Israel's border. Israel left Gaza and Lebanon and got terror as a response. If there was real peace, perhaps 70% of Israelis would support making all of these concessions. This is the fact on the ground that most Christian Zionists do not understand.

So, Israel finds herself in an impossible position. What can she do? She also faces an Iran-supported Hezbollah in Lebanon to her north, and an Iran-supported Hamas to the south. We should note the Fatah has the same goal as Hezbollah, the destruction of Israel as a Jewish State. Their method is to open the door for the return of the Palestinians refugees and to destroy Israel through demographics, as the world would pressure Israel more and more to take in more refugees.

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Day after Annapolis: PA Television Palestinian Authority TV shows "Palestine" Map Erasing Israel

Just a day after Israeli and Palestinian leaders at the Annapolis peace conference pledged to negotiate a peace treaty by the end of 2008, Mahmoud Abbas [Abu Mazen]'s Palestinian Authority [PA] continues to paint a picture for its people of a world without Israel.

An information clip produced by the Palestinian Authority Central Bureau of Statistics and rebroadcast today on Abbas-controlled Palestinian television, shows a map in which Israel is painted in the colors of the Palestinian flag, symbolizing [that] Israel turned into a Palestinian state.

The description of all of the state of Israel as "Palestine" is not coincidental, and is part of a formal, systematic educational approach throughout the Palestinian Authority.

This uniform message of a world without Israel is repeated in school books, children's programs, crossword puzzles, video clips, formal symbols, school and street names, etc.

The picture painted for the Palestinian population, both verbally and visually, is of a world without Israel.

The fact that this campaign continues before the ink on the Annapolis agreement is even dry appears to contradict the central promise of the Palestinians at the Annapolis conference: that Israel has a right to exist.