

# The Bible Banner

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## The Hour of His Judgment is Come

During a revival a young man said frankly that he did not wish to be a Christian. When asked for his reason, he replied, *"Several years ago I was in a man's kitchen. He finding me there, swore at me and kicked me out. He was a professing Christian, and from that time I decided never to have anything to do with religion. And I never have to this day."*

The young man was asked to write down his reason in full and sign it. Then it was handed back to him with the words, *"Take this, and when you are asked for your excuse on the day of judgment, hand this up."* The young man saw his folly and came to Christ that night.

Are you letting the sins of others keep you from giving your heart to Jesus?

Don't be so foolish—for it will not stand the test of the judgment day.

### Unleavened Biscuits

- 1 cup spelt or whole wheat flour
- 1 cup quick oats
- 2/3 cup soymilk or nutmilk
- 1/2-3/4 tsp salt
- 1/3 cup coconut oil, softened

Roll these out to about 1/2 inch. Cut into desired shapes. Bake at 325°F for 30 minutes until lightly browned. These are good with gravy or for breakfast pizza crust.

(1 Batch of Country Gravy-3 1/2 Tbsp unbleached or spelt flour, 2 Tbsp olive oil, 2 1/2 cups soymilk, 1/2 tsp salt, 1/4 tsp Lawry's-like seasoning, 1 tsp onion powder + sliced vegan links, if desired)



### Breakfast Potpie (For a 9x13"pan)

- 2 batches of scrambled tofu (≈32oz/906g.)
  - 2 batches of country gravy (See above)
  - 1 batch of unleavened biscuit dough (See above)
  - 8 or so of your favorite breakfast links or better franks, cut up
- Make the scrambled tofu and country gravy separately. Then mix them together with the breakfast links. Place this in the 9x13" dish. Make the biscuit crust. Roll out thinly and place on top of the gravy mixture. Bake until the biscuit crust is light golden brown and slightly hardened. Serve immediately or save and rewarm for breakfast the next day.

### PROFITABLE TRADITIONS

#### Cultivate Bible Knowledge

Test to see how many books of the Bible there are for which you and your friends or family can sing at least one scripture song. Compare the OT, the NT, going forwards and backwards through the books, etc.

NOTE: The Marked Bible Mission is compiling a collection of scripture songs you might find helpful.

<https://themarkedbiblemission.com/scripture-songs/>

### Quotable Quotes

*"The worldly and the nominal Christian may insinuate that in order to be successful you must be politic, you must at times depart from the strictest rectitude; but be not deluded...*

***There is danger in the first and slightest departure from the strictest veracity.\*"***

—Healthful Living, pg 251      \*habitual observance of truth

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## “JUDGMENT ALSO WILL I LAY TO THE LINE”

Each year when the winter frosts strike destroying unprotected plants, I am reminded of judgment and the words of Jeremiah 8:20, *“The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.”* The topic of judgment is important for the Christian to understand. Proverbs 28:5 makes clear, *“Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.”* And Ecclesiastes 8:5 reiterates, *“a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.”*

According to prophecy, the time of this earth's judgment began in 1844, so we are now living in judgment overtime. (See Daniel 7, 8 and Revelation 10, 14, etc.) As the time of judgment neared, the message was preached, *“And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.” Revelation 14:6,7* The wording of this verse directly connects it with the worship of the Creator (who made heaven and earth) as dictated specifically in the fourth commandment concerning the seventh-day Sabbath (Exodus 20:8-11). The Sabbath is to be a token of our separation from idolatry and of our connection with the true God. *“But in order to keep the Sabbath holy, men must themselves be holy.”*<sup>1</sup> How is this accomplished? John 17:17 says *“Sanctify them [make them holy] through thy truth: thy word is truth.”* Likewise, John 12:48 makes clear that we will be judged according to how we receive or do not receive God's words of truth, *“He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.”* *“Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.”* Psalm 96:13



Daniel 7:10 refers to how *“the judgment was set, and the books were opened.”* Revelation 20:12 reiterates and expounds, *“And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.”* So the dead are judged according to how their actions match God's standard of truth. Some names are mentioned in the book of life, these include:

- Those who labor in the gospel— *“And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.”* Philippians 4:3
- Those who do not worship the beast, but instead overcome—*“He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father...”* Revelation 3:5 (Rev 13:8)

In addition, the Bible mentions that those with these certain characteristics are NOT found in the book of life. This includes:

- Those that are defiled, work abominations or make a lie—*“And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.”* Revelation 21:27
- Those that add to or take away from God's word – *“For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”* Revelation 22:18,19

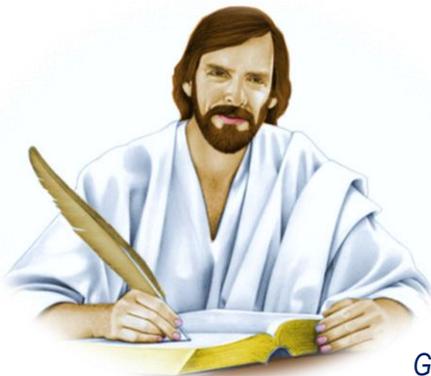
There will be no hiding sins in that day, for God will *“Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.”* John 7:24 In fact, Ecclesiastes 12:14 states, *“For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.”* Furthermore, Malachi 3:5 adds *“And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.”*

Indeed, for more than 177 years the Judgment work has been in progress in the heavenly sanctuary. Judgment began with those who had died, but at some unknown point judgement passes to the cases of the living. *“And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great...” Revelation 11:18* When judgment passes to the cases of the living, our lives are to come up in review before God. This begins with those who already know the truth. *“For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?” 1 Peter 4:17,18*

It is my belief that during this judgement time, as God is calling His people out of Babylon, God’s *“judgments are made manifest”* Revelation 15:4. Much like the judgments upon Egypt, before the Exodus of Israel, God says, *“Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.”* Jeremiah 51:47 This happens because God is trying to wake people up to the evil deceptions going on. *“Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.”* Isaiah 28:17 In order to teach people the frailty of trusting in false gods and of trusting in man, God is “pulling out all the stops” so to speak. He is removing His protective hand slowly, allowing people to experience the natural results of their own wrong decisions. *“Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations. And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.”* Ezekiel 7:3,4

Historically, God has repeatedly used four specific judgments. For example, Ezekiel 14:21 reads, *“For thus saith the Lord GOD; How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence...”* A more extensive list of judgments is covered in Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28. I found this description of unreasonable fear to be particularly interesting in light of current events. *“And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.”* Leviticus 26:36 While judgments fall on the wicked, you will note a blessing promised upon the righteous who follow God’s way (Please note: this doesn’t mean Satan won’t try to make life miserable for Christians as he did with Job). *“Say ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him. As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and destroy the way of thy paths. The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.”* Isaiah 3:10-13

Indeed, by this last effort God is pleading. He is trying to get people to repent of their sins before it is forever too late. *“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.”* Ezekiel 18:30-32 It is evident from the scriptures that, *“we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.”* 2 Cor. 5:10 But the good news is, Christ pleads His blood for those who repent and confess their sins. (1 John 1:7-9)



And there is more good news, for John declares, *“Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.”* 1 John 4:17,18 Those who truly know God need not fear the judgment, for Isaiah declares, *“For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us.”* Isaiah 33:22

Most people don’t realize that the Judge is mediating for us *“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;”* 1 Timothy 2:5 *“For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:”* John 5:22 This seeming advantage, of having the judge “on your side,” was apparently common in Jewish law. The Jewish Encyclopedia states, © 2021 Bible Picture Pathways. May be freely copied and distributed for non-commercial, educational purposes. NOT to be sold for commercial gain.

*“Attorneys at law were unknown in Jewish law. The examination and cross-examination of the witness were conducted by the judges...”<sup>2</sup> The rest of the story is, “Indeed, every possible precaution was taken to render impossible the wrongful conviction of an accused person... The judges leaned always to the side of the defendant and gave him the advantage of every possible doubt. They went a step farther and sought pretext after pretext that would result in an acquittal.”<sup>3</sup> This means if God can justly save us, He will. Psalm 89:14 says, “Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.” As Paul says, “For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.” Hebrews 4:15*

It is certainly past time to take the time to get to know and appreciate our merciful Judge. Therefore, “Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD’S anger.” Zephaniah 2:3

1-Desire of Ages, pg. 283 2--Jewish Encyclopedia, pg. 293 3--W. M. Chandler, The Trial of Jesus From a Lawyer’s Standpoint (Buffalo, N.Y.: W. S. Hein, 1983), vol. I, pp. 153, 154.

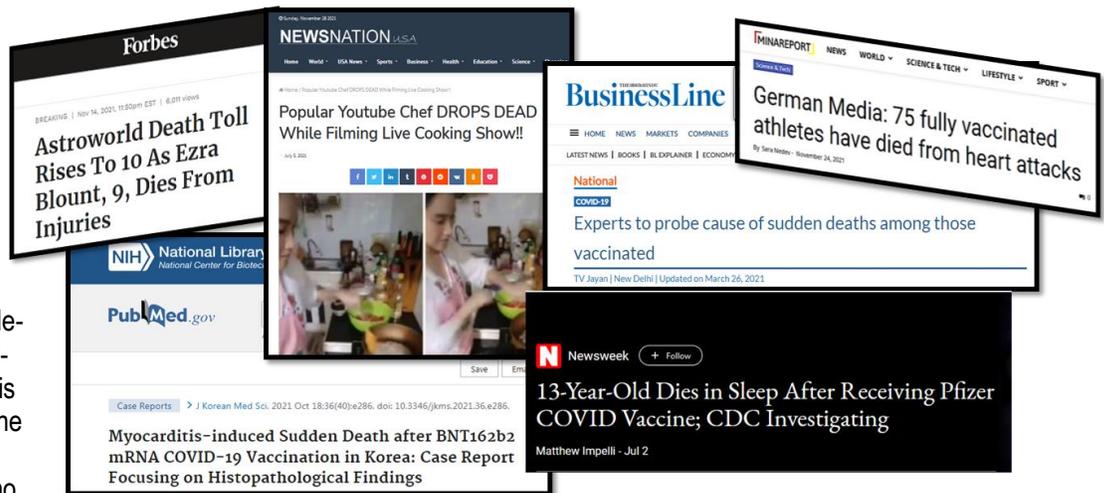


## Prophetic News Notes -- Ready or Not

I think even the rocks and headlines are starting to cry out that time is short. Whether the upsurge of sudden deaths are resulting from vaccination, crowd surges, occultic rituals, cardiac arrest, or whatever the cause, they are happening with greater rapidity than ever before. Although many of them are being hidden, with a little digging you can find news rampant with the sudden deaths of those who are young and even apparently healthy like the athletes, some of whom were running on the field, until the very moment of death.

For example, “A recent German media report has discovered a horrifying statistic for European athletes. Since June 2021, 75 fully vaccinated athletes have suffered ‘sudden and unexpected’ heart attacks...”<sup>1</sup>

In addition, there are the parade-goers who were run over mid-parade, the boy who died in his sleep after being vaccinated, the woman dying in the midst of filming a cooking show, 10 who died unexpectedly at a rap concert, and many, many more people—priests, nurses, teachers, etc.-- who could be listed because they mysteriously and with little or no warning dropped dead in the midst of their everyday activities. Headlines report, “Experts to probe cause of sudden deaths among vaccinated.”<sup>2</sup>



As always, Matthew 24 has the most reliable news of the day, and one person just dropping dead while others right beside them live on “normally” matches well with Matthew 24:37-42 which reads, “But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.” It was the flood and death that came and “took them all away.” It forever closed the probation of those that died, they had no more time to make things right with their Creator. So today, the probation of many is closing forever in death. There are no second chances—the determination is sealed, “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” Revelation 22:11 Are you ready to meet the Son of man? Would you want to Jesus to find you in the places you are going and doing the things that you are doing? You cannot know if you will be among those taken by death, or among those left with a little more time, “Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.” Matthew 24:44

1- <https://www.minareport.com/german-media-75-fully-vaccinated-athletes-have-died-from-heart-attacks/>  
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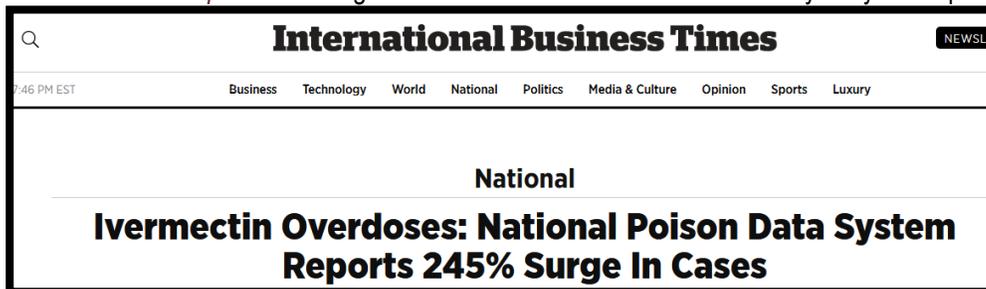
## Subtle Poisons—Touted as “Safe and Effective”

“Here’s how you can tell what is truth,” a doctor I was listening to, stated, *“Those things that are being banned, those things are truth.”* I WANT TO STATE LOUDLY, WHILE SOMETIMES THIS MAY BE TRUE, THIS IS A VERY DANGEROUS WAY OF DISCERNING WHAT IS TRUTH. Truth and error may be ascertained **only** by what matches or does not match the word of God since John 17:17 states, *“thy word is truth.”*

However, using negative advertising to get people to try a product is as old as the serpent in the garden, when he said in effect, *God told you can’t have this, but it is actually a safe and effective answer for your situation, and if you take it you will be the smart one, knowing the difference between good and evil.* I’m not making this up. Let’s look at the direct quotes from scripture in parallel to this statement: *“Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? (God told you can’t have this, but...) And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.*

*And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: (but it is actually a safe and effective answer for your situation) For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.”* (and if you take it you will be the smart one, knowing the difference between good and evil.) Genesis 3:1-5

Having made that clear, before I continue, let me state that I believe that many today who are exalting banned medications, are actually deceived themselves. I am not judging their motives, but the fact is that they actually teach in pharmacology classes that *“All drugs are poisons.”* Drugs ALL have side effects. Ivermectin and hydroxychloroquine are no exception, yet some people are



taking these poisons as if they were candy. Many people do not want to acknowledge that *“The National Poison Data System (NPDS) reported a 245% surge in ivermectin overdoses as misinformation about the anti-parasite drug...has resulted in many Americans self-medicating for COVID-19.”*<sup>1</sup>

What if they are actually telling the

truth? After all, poisonous drugs are even more dangerous in larger dosages, like those meant for animals, that many people are taking. WebMD rightly states, *“It’s dangerous for humans to take any drug made for animals, including ivermectin. A dose meant for a big animal like a horse or cow (which can weigh 2,000 pounds or more) can be toxic for a person. Also, some of the inactive ingredients in an animal medication might not be safe for people.”*<sup>2</sup>

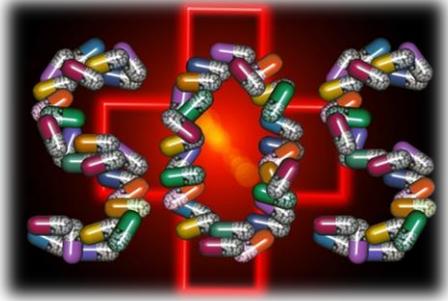
In some cases ivermectin has apparently been deadly, *“The New Mexico Department of Health said two people in New Mexico have died from Ivermectin toxicity.”* But that is not the only negative reaction. *“We’ve had cases of seizures, hallucinations, coma, you know it can be very dangerous if you take a high enough dose,”* said Susan Smolinske, director of New Mexico Drug and Information Center.<sup>3</sup>

Ivermectin is commonly used, in humans and animals, as an antiparasitic. It’s *“mechanism of action is pretty simple. It grabs hold of (binds) to a receptor on the outside of the parasite, gets inside of it, then shuts down nerve to muscle impulses. It essentially paralyzes the organism to death.”*<sup>4</sup> Now the first question you should be asking when consuming a pesticide that shuts down the nervous system of the pest is, does it do this to humans? Many claim it does not cross the blood-brain barrier in humans, however, I am highly skeptical because one pharmacist warns, *“people need to be very cautious and understand the dangers of playing around with medicine! Signs of toxicity of Ivermectin include confusion, alterations in mental status, coordination or balance problems, tachycardia, loss of bowel control, seizures, light-headedness, fainting and more.”*<sup>4</sup> If it doesn’t cross the blood-brain barrier, why the alterations in mental status and confusion? If it doesn’t affect the nerves, why the coordination and balance problems and seizures?

In actuality, *“Ivermectin and analogs also modulate other ion channels and have effects on the mammalian host brain when the blood-brain barrier is impaired.”*<sup>5</sup> So then our question should be, what can impair the blood-brain barrier? Lots of things.

- **Radiofrequencies and Electromagnetic fields (potentially your wireless devices and cell phones)** -- *“The mammalian brain is protected by the blood-brain barrier, which prevents harmful substances from reaching the brain tissue. There is evidence that exposure to electromagnetic fields at non thermal levels disrupts this barrier.”*<sup>6</sup> *“Exposure to levels of radiofrequency*

electromagnetic fields (EMF) that increase brain temperature by more than 1°C can reversibly increase the permeability of the BBB for macromolecules.”<sup>7</sup>



- **Large doses of ivermectin** – “One concern is neurotoxicity after large overdoses, which in most mammalian species may manifest as central nervous system depression,[51] ataxia, coma, and even death,[52][53] as might be expected from potentiation of inhibitory chloride channels.[54]”<sup>8</sup>
- **Drug-drug interactions**—“Since drugs that inhibit the enzyme CYP3A4 often also inhibit P-glycoprotein transport, the risk of increased absorption past the blood-brain barrier exists when ivermectin is administered along with other CYP3A4 inhibitors. These drugs include statins, HIV protease inhibitors, many calcium channel blockers, lidocaine, the benzodiazepines, and glucocorticoids such as dexamethasone.[55]”<sup>9</sup>

- **Having a mutation in your mdr-1 gene** --“Another possible explanation is that some humans experiencing serious neurological adverse events after ivermectin therapy may have mutations in the mdr-1 gene, allowing for penetration of ivermectin into the CNS.”<sup>10</sup> Due to this mutation, in 2020, a comatose boy poisoned with a normal dose of ivermectin was reported in the New England Journal of Medicine.<sup>10</sup>

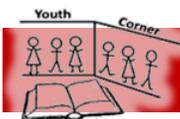
It should be noted that adverse events in the brain and more have been noted for ivermectin even when it is compared with another drug (poison) as in the following study. “serious encephalopathies [damage or disease that affects the brain] were much more frequently reported after ivermectin than benzimidazole treatment, globally ... Reports of confusional disorders were strongly associated with ivermectin use globally ... Drug Reaction with Eosinophilia [an abnormal elevation of a certain type of white blood cell] and Systemic Symptoms (DRESS) was more frequently reported with ivermectin than with benzimidazole drug) ... Serious toxidermias [skin lesions] (DRESS, Stevens-Johnson syndrome, toxic epidermal necrolysis and acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis) were more frequently reported with ivermectin than with benzimidazole drugs globally ... Serious cardiac failures were significantly associated with ivermectin compared to benzimidazole drug intake.... “<sup>11</sup>

“Here are some natural alternatives” to ivermectin that were suggested by a noted pharmacist. “Oregon grape [the root]... Grapefruit seed extract... Oregano Oil... Olive Leaf Extract...”<sup>4</sup> SEE NOTE Visit God’s FARM-acy (not the pHARMacy) for nature’s remedies today!

For more information on the dangers of ivermectin, hydroxychloroquine and remdesivir visit our website at <https://www.swiftrunnerministries.com/Subtle-Poisons.php>

**NOTE: Even some herbal remedies are not recommended for those who are pregnant because they may trigger labor or treat the baby as a parasite, etc.**

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## Red Light?

“Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.” Ecclesiastes 11:9



Sometimes we can learn from the mistakes of others. A certain man wrote, “During my college years—in my infinite wisdom—it occurred to me that it made no sense to stop at red traffic lights when there was clearly no traffic around.

So I began to stop only briefly—just long enough to check for cars—and then proceed. My stops became shorter and shorter, and eventually I no longer stopped at all. I simply checked out the landscape well in advance and—if no cars were coming—proceeded full speed through the red light.

“One day something changed all of that, and I’ve never run a red light since.

I was approaching an isolated light in an area where there was rarely traffic in the busiest of times. I

had already checked out the landscape and was near the empty intersection when a car topped the hill to my left. It was too far away to pose any threat, but it did pose a problem: it was a police car.

But that is not what changed my ways, because I got the car stopped and received no more punishment than a dirty glance. What scared me enough to put an end to that practice was what occurred in the split seconds between spotting the patrol car and getting the car stopped.

"In that instant, my foot moved from the gas pedal to the brake pedal, and then back to the gas pedal! I did not will it to do that; my foot just did it. My foot did that because that is how I had trained my mind to respond. I had continually ignored what had once been a clear signal to stop—a red light—and as a result that signal was no longer clear.

"The same occurs with sin. Our God-given conscience give us warning signals, and we can heed those signals or ignore them. If we ignore them often enough, we may eventually fail to recognize those signals at all." -JDB

Better would it be for us to pray as David, "Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression." Psalm 19:12,13

## Kids' Corner

## God's Amazing Creatures

**The Arctic fox lives in the Arctic regions which includes northern Canada, Russia and northward. Arctic foxes have thick fur to help them survive in the cold weather of the Arctic. They eat small creatures such as lemmings and voles as well as fish, birds, carrion, berries, seaweed, and insects. The Arctic fox likes to live in dens that are like a maze and have a quick way of escape if a predator comes into the den. They have a strong sense of smell as they can smell and find frozen lemmings under 18-30 inches (46-77cm) of snow. They are white in the winter and brown along the back with a light gray or tan near their belly in the summer. In the winter, they are almost completely camouflaged in the snow. I think that is amazing that God created them that way, don't you?**



See if you can match each angel from Revelation 14:6-12 to their special message.



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