regardless of what culture they originated in. This includes the “dream catchers” that are so popular in America.

As an example of this, shortly after a friend gave my daughter a beautiful Native-American made dream catcher as a gift, she started having night terrors. In addition, no amount of praying seemed to help with her constant nightmares and fear of the night until we got rid of the dream catcher. Amazingly, it was my daughter who finally sensed that the dream catcher was causing her night terrors, and as soon as I rid the house of it at her request, the night terrors stopped completely! This was a real eye-opener for me, and made me realize how vulnerable even born-again Christians are to demonic attack unless we are vigilant!

So, if you have any actual native artifacts displayed in your home and you do not wish to invite demons there, I would suggest ridding yourself of them immediately. This does not pertain to cheap replicas of these artifacts, but to actual artifacts that were either used in worship, or were demonically “blessed” by the native people who made them prior to distribution. These ritual objects are magnets for demons and can bring harm to anyone without spiritual protection - even those who profess to love Christ but have no idea how to recognize channels for demonic activity. For this reason, even replicas of these artifacts should be shunned by those whose ability to seek divine protection and deliverance by performing exorcisms and healing is weak - as is the sad case among most professing Christians today.

A Question Of Race - Are We All Under Grace?

In this chapter, we have discussed many intriguing areas of the world and their prophetic place in history. We also discovered that the world could once easily be divided into two opposing eastern and western hemispheres with radically different spiritual, political, religious and cultural ideologies. In addition, we spied the connection of Caucasian female Sarah Palin of Alaska and the half white and half African American Barack Obama of Hawaii with the Scorpio Meridian in the Pacific Ocean. Finally, we discerned that these two politicians that follow completely opposing spiritual
ideologies and conflicting political paths have become spiritual icons for people holding their worldviews around the world. Spurred on by my perceptions of the two opposing worldviews that have been prevalent throughout history, a news story that I wrote during the last half of the US Presidential race in the autumn of 2008 revealed how Barack Obama was raised as a Muslim in Indonesia, now professes Christianity and a love for democracy but acts like an unsaved Socialist. Furthermore, it revealed that the black American talk show hostess Oprah Winfrey is a New Age “guru” or “goddess” who endorsed Obama and called him “The One” - a epithet that may indicate the Oprah thinks Obama is the New Age Movement’s Messiah called Maitreya as well as “the Messiah” that the Black Muslims of the USA see Obama as.

As a result, these two apostate black individuals with their high approval rating around the globe resemble two infamous characters in the Book of Revelation - namely the Antichrist and False Prophet. However, they may not be those particular enemies of God. They simply may be forerunners that are paving their way. In addition, even though these two people are at least partly of African descent, this does not mean that black-skinned people are any more inherently evil than the rest of humanity. It simply means that two people that happen to be black-skinned have brought and will continue to bring about much wickedness due to their perceived hatred of true Christianity and the God of the Bible. In closing this chapter, therefore, I wanted to destroy the myth that human skin coloration has anything to do with the mark of Cain or the curse of Canaan so often attributed to blacks.

For the purposes of this study, let us assume that almost all the Anakim were destroyed in the past, and nearly everyone alive today is fully human. In fact, this is likely to be absolutely true. Though there may still be some people groups who could trace their roots to the Nephilim, they are so heavily watered down with human blood that they are virtually indistinguishable from the rest of humanity today. Furthermore, it is highly likely that any remaining Anakim on Earth today have remained largely isolated - either by choice or by God’s design.

Now, since I believe God’s account of Creation in the Bible, there is no room in my worldview for the theory of Evolution, but only the processes of adaptation and Natural Selection. The Bible
teaches that all people are descendants of Adam and Eve through Noah and his three sons. This means that every racial group is related in some way, and they all share common ancestors. That is why, no matter what skin color people possess, they can intermarry and give birth to healthy, beautiful children. That is also why people the world over share many common diseases and genetic abnormalities.

Nonetheless, though all people are genetically related, they are also tainted with sinful, rebellious dispositions. Ever since Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, there have been many conflicts between various people groups over the millennia. Undoubtedly, this is because sin and evil are interracial and cross cultural phenomena. There is no one people group on Earth today that can claim to be sinless, nor does any one people group have a monopoly on evil. As the Apostle Paul said: "For all have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God" - (Romans 3:23).

In addition to sharing a sinful nature, every human being on this planet shares a common bloodline. Since we are all descended from Adam and Eve and Noah, and over seventy percent of humanity has black or dark brown hair, it would be wise to conclude that Adam, Eve and Noah did not have blond or red hair. Like black hair - which is a dominant genetic trait - skin color is a function of who one’s ancestors were too. However, the human biological characteristic that allows skin to lighten or darken depending on where one lives and how much sun exposure is received also plays a part in our skin color over time.

As Bill Cooper hypothesized in his book “After The Flood” (available on line at: http://www.ldolphin.org/cooper/contents.html), skin color seems to be largely determined by how close one lives near to the equator for an extended period of time. The reason for this is quite simple. Infertility can increase when people are exposed to too much or too little sunlight. Therefore, people with light skin have the lowest rates of infertility in temperate climates where exposure to the sun is limited, and where light skin is best suited to absorb limited solar radiation. It follows then that light-skinned people who live near to the equator will tend to be infertile. In addition, the descendents of light skinned people will tend to have darker skin over time. This is why people groups that live closer to the equator are likely to have darker skin tones.
Likewise, when people with darker skin coloration move from the equator to colder climates, they tend to be infertile and unhealthy from not getting enough sunlight. As a result, until their skin tones lighten sufficiently, dark-skinned people have a tendency to have fewer successful pregnancies and higher mortality rates than their lighter skinned neighbors.

Now, since the Bible makes it clear that all people are genetically related, the racial divisions and the cultural squabbles that humanity has experienced are really a function of ideology rather than biology. If nothing else, world history should show all of us that every culture on Earth is capable of feeling racially superior to others. In fact, many of the wars being fought today are attempts at genocide. Unlike in the past, however, the genocidal wars being fought today are more often over spiritual beliefs rather than skin color or genetic descent.

Today, regardless of where one lives, there is mistrust and hatred between various religious and ethnic communities. In most of the world outside of the West, for example, Christians are heavily persecuted with little regard for race or culture. Though the persecution of Christians is especially high in Communist or Islamic nations, however, intolerance toward Christians is on the rise even in the West. Furthermore, there is much hatred between religious factions within Islam. Hence, though Muslims all profess to worship one Supreme deity named Allah, Sunnis and Shiites find it almost impossible to live in peace with one another because they each claim doctrinal superiority.

Throughout the world today, New Age beliefs, Neo-Paganism and Wicca are also on the rise, and most of the people practicing these pagan religions dislike and mistrust anyone who is a committed Christian. Then there are the class distinctions found within the Hindu caste system that cause mistrust, prejudice, and outright disdain and hatred between the various castes. Even those who follow the gentle spirited and non-confrontational religion of Buddhism tend to disagree over political ideologies, and none of the aforementioned religions tolerate Christians or Messianics well.

People groups are also constantly divided over moral issues. In today’s world, for example, Christians are often divided over the issues of homosexuality and abortion. Regarding abortion, some Christians and Messianics believe that life begins at conception,
while others believe life begins at birth, and therefore have no problem accepting abortion. However, the Bible teaches that life begins at conception, and this is supported by countless medical studies detailing human fetal development (See Psalm 139:13; Luke 1:15, Luke 1:41-42).

In regard to homosexuality, some Christians and Messianics believe that one’s sexual preference is more a function of biology rather than an issue of sin. However, there are Scriptures in both the Old and New Testaments that clearly teach that homosexuality is wrong (Leviticus 20:13; Romans 1:27). Furthermore, though the Bible teaches every Christian to love one another even as Yahshua loved us, it also teaches that people who actively practice sexual immorality are not to be associated with, whether they are Christian or not (Romans 6:11-14; 1 Corinthians 6:18).

Ideally, since Christianity is a purely non violent religious ideology that teaches people to tolerate and love one another, and to love the sinner even while fleeing their sin, there should have been peace on Earth over a thousand years ago, when most of the West was heavily under the influence of Christianity. However, people were unfamiliar with the power of the Holy Spirit back then. As a result, they were far more bigoted, hypocritical, and judgmental, and this sorely affected their ability to understand and implement Scripture. As a result, many atrocities were performed against whole people groups in the name of Christ, such as genocidal style slaughters of Africans and Native peoples in the Americas, Africa, and elsewhere during the Spanish, Portuguese, French, English, and American colonial conquests of the 16th through 19th centuries.

Due to the colonial expansion era, many people who were won for Christ at the edge of a sword distrust the white Jesus they were introduced to by western missionaries. As a result, Asians want to see Yahshua as Asian, Africans want to see Him as black African, and Anglo-Saxons generally depict Yahshua with fair skin and light hair - with each culture tending to deny His Jewishness. This is partly due to each culture’s misplaced feelings of superiority over others and the general resentment among people of color toward whites - who tend to harbor supremacist ideas. However, there is also an underlying prejudice toward Jews due to the misconception that they were primarily to blame for Christ’s
murder - even though Yahshua was a good Jew and His sacrificial
death was necessary to provide everlasting salvation and complete
freedom from divine judgment. Since this is true, Christians should
feel a certain amount of gratitude and compassion toward Jewish
people rather than resentment!

As a result of all these points of conflict, the world’s
current desire for global peace seems as illusory as ever. The reason
for this is simple. The only way to bring about world peace is
through the establishment of a global theocracy that is governed by
Christ Himself, Who is all, and is in all:

“Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or
uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but
Christ is all, and is in all.” - Colossians 3:11 (NIV)

Someday soon, the Bible tells us that Yahshua’s theocracy
will be miraculously established (2 Timothy 2:11-12; Revelation
20:6). However, before this happens, the Bible also warns that a
time of severe judgment is coming to the whole world (Isaiah 2:12-
19, 13:6-13; Joel 3:13-16; Zech. 14:1-9). During this time, mankind
will be coerced into uniting under one ideology by a spiritually
warped political and spiritual leader known as the Antichrist, who
will appear to be good but will have evil intent.

After defeating the Mahdi, or Muslim Antichrist, this
pretender will vie for and temporarily sit on Christ’s earthly
Davidic throne, will claim to be a god, will demand worship, and
will attempt to bring about a false utopian society by setting out to exterminate all the monotheists that refuse to worship him (Rev.
11:7, 13:7, 20:4). Thankfully, the Bible also tells us that the
Antichrist will not succeed fully. Instead, before he destroys every
last Christian and Jew, Yahshua will return from Heaven riding on
a white horse and followed by an army of His saints riding on white
horses (Revelation 19:11-21). Then the Antichrist and his followers
will be defeated, and the Antichrist will be cast into the Lake of Fire
(Rev. 19:20).

Unfortunately, until Yahshua sets up His Kingdom on Earth,
people around the world are going to be beset by evil, and life and
death struggles will be common. Fueling the fire for discord are
several long-standing conflicts that are adding to the volatile mix of
ideologies in the world today. The very first conflict of note was
between the Seed of the Woman named Eve that was found through her righteous son Seth, and the Seed of the Serpent found in the line of Cain via their ill-fated love affair with the fallen angels and their Nephilim children.

The second major world conflict began when Noah cursed Ham’s grandson Canaan with perpetual servanthood and submission to Shem and Japheth’s descendents. As per Bill Cooper’s hypothesis, Japheth became the father of the fairest-skinned races due to his settlement of far northern lands, Shem became the father of the yellow, red, and light brown-skinned races living around the 30th parallel, and Ham became the father of the darker skinned races that lived nearest the equator.

Now, since the darkening of the skin caused by heavy exposure to sunlight takes hundreds of years to develop into a genetic adaptation, there is no reason to believe that Canaan was particularly dark-skinned, as he was among those born in the first generation after the Flood. In fact, he was probably light to middle brown in skin tone.

Unlike Mizraim and Cush who settled in southern Egypt and Africa and spoke Hamitic languages, the Egyptians of the Delta and the Canaanites spoke the Semitic language of the original inhabitants of Lower Egypt and Canaan, who were the offspring of the first king of Salem (i.e. Jerusalem) named Melchizedek (a.k.a. Shem). In other words, Lower Egypt and Canaan were Shemitic or Semitic territories shortly after the Flood, but were later taken over by the Canaanites and their Nephilim friends through conquest. This likely occurred when the confusion of tongues and destruction of the Tower of Babylon in a worldwide cataclysm ended Nimrod’s despotic reign.

Later on, the Israelites were called by God to conquer the Canaanite kingdoms that were overrun with the descendents of the Nephilim. Acting with courage and persistence, the Israelites soon killed most of the Nephilim and Canaanites who had intermarried with the Nephilim (Deut. 2:9-22, 3:1-15; 2 Samuel 21:15-22). They thereby ousted most of the Canaanites from the land that once belonged to Shem, and was Abraham’s inheritance. In addition, some Canaanites that were not tainted with Nephilim blood became the servants of the Israelites - in direct fulfillment of Noah’s curse upon Canaan (Joshua 9:15-27).
The prevalent notion that Noah’s curse was extended through Canaan to all the black African nations is erroneous since Canaan was not likely black, but light to middle brown like modern Arabs are today. Nonetheless, the false teaching that the curse upon Canaan applied to all the African nations persisted and led to the horrors of the black slave trade. Today, we can see the lingering prejudice resulting from it, as well as the sense of resentment and entitlement many blacks carry for the many precious lives that were destroyed by white men who felt they were superior to them.

Despite the legitimate cause of their bitterness, blacks and whites need to learn that slavery can take many forms - from Feudalism to Fascism - and as a result, almost every race and culture on Earth has experienced oppression and slavery at various times. Therefore, until tyranny and injustice are completely done away with, there can be no real peace in this world. Instead, the unjustly treated will go on hating their oppressors until both sides accept a better path - the Way of Yahweh exemplified in the path of love and forgiveness forged by Christ on the Cross.

Another one of these ancient conflicts is the ongoing feud between the Jews and their Arab half-brothers. Both sons of Abraham, both fiercely proud and accomplished, Ishmael and Isaac were at odds from Isaac’s birth, for Isaac was Abraham’s wife Sarah’s child, while Ishmael was the son of Sarah’s Egyptian handmaiden Hagar, who was a slave. So, though both Ishmael and Isaac wanted to be heirs to God’s promises to Abraham, Yahweh picked Isaac as Abraham’s heir. Indeed, Ishmael would never have been born if Sarah and Abraham had trusted God with His promise that Sarah would conceive one day, so they brought this trouble upon themselves, and their descendents have been paying for their mistake ever since.

As a result of God’s choice, the tension between the two half brothers became so pronounced that Sarah finally asked Abraham to send Hagar and Ishmael away. Neither Hagar nor Ishmael ever forgot this humiliation, however. In addition, their descendents settled with the descendents of Jacob’s brother Esau, who callously lost his birthright to Jacob over his desire for a pot of stew. As a result, the feud between Abraham’s chosen heirs and those who felt they were unfairly ostracized became even more deep-seated. This is why the Arab descendents of Ishmael and Esau surrounding
Israel often seem to be plotting that tiny nation’s untimely demise. Furthermore, many Muslims hate the West due to the Crusades, and they especially hate the USA for interfering with their blood feud with Israel.

Ultimately, effectively dealing with all these conflicts in the world today will not be found in engaging in diplomacy, politics, or war, but in Christ’s shed blood and finished work on the Cross. Through His sacrificial death and resurrection, Yahshua could at last send His Spirit to teach all who love Him to truly love and forgive one another. Indeed, the Holy Spirit is the only force in Heaven or on Earth that can forever transform our hearts and minds to be like Yahshua’s, and that is the only way that we can achieve the future utopian society promised in the Bible. We all need a heart and a brain transplant, which is what everyone who truly has faith in Christ will receive. Through our love of Yahshua and desire to keep His commandments, we are born again and will one day become the Body and Bride of Christ!

Through that spiritual transformation, and later through the Resurrection into everlasting life that it promises to us through Christ, we will all one day be royal heirs and priests with Yahshua - regardless of our skin color or station at birth. To that I say: “Hallelu-Yah for the coming Kingdom of God in Yahshua!” If that sounds good to you too, please join me in frequently praying “Your Kingdom Come, Your Will be Done” - just like Christ did.