DOCTRINE OF THE UNITED STATES IN PROPHECY

- **I.** The principles of the interpretation of prophecy must be followed.
 - **A.** Interpret literally based on the I.C.E. hermeneutics: Isagogics interpret the Bible in historical context; Categorically and Exegetically analyze Scripture in the original languages.
 - **B.** Interpret with a view to determine historical setting (Isagogics).
 - C. Interpret categorically comparing Scripture with Scripture.
 - **D.** Interpret exegetically to determine <u>exact</u> meaning in original language.
 - **E.** Determine if prophecy is fulfilled, unfulfilled, or conditional.
 - **F.** Recognize prophetic harmony.
 - **G.** Interpret dispensationally.
 - **H.** Interpretation differs from application and illustration.
 - I. Recognize the existence of figurative language, like idioms, similes, etc.
 - **J.** Interpret according to the law of double reference: Two events widely separated as to time of fulfillment are brought together in one prophecy.
 - 1. Near the frame of reference for distant/far is the near. David is <u>for</u> Christ in many Messianic psalms, e.g. Psa.27:12; 35:11; 41:9; 69:4,7,20,21.
 - **2.** Two are compared and contrasted.
 - **3.** Appreciate the minuteness of detail.
 - **4.** Recognize the novelty of combination, e.g. arrows and nuclear missiles, Christ as a human child and a divine child.
 - **5.** Note the mysteries of contradiction. Political Babylon (B_P) and religious Babylon (B_R) prophecies did not get fulfilled in historical Babylon (B_H).
 - **6.** Appreciate the nearness of fulfillment.
- II. Major passages dealing with the U.S. include Isa.13; 21:1-10; 47; Jer.50,51; Dan.7:1-8; Rev.18.
- III. Identification of symbols and types, e.g. such as in Revelation: Churches (Rev.2-3), Tyre of Revelation 18, and Jezebel (Rev.2:20). The final revolt of perfect environment after the Millennium. Gog & Magog (Rev.20:8).
 - **A.** Babylon means "confusion"; it is identified as the U.S. under evil.
 - **B.** Chaldeans = Anglo-Saxons.
 - C. Medes (as enemies) were enemies of B_H and were famous archers, symbolizing Russian nuclear might.
- **IV.** Uses of the word "Babylon" in Scripture.
 - **A.** Gen.11, the Tower of Babylon (principles apply to us).
 - **B.** The Babylonian Empire, 605-535BC (head of gold in Daniel).
 - C. Religious Babylon (Catholicism, Rev.17, "mother of harlots").
 - **D.** The U.S., B_P; political and economic entity (Babylon the Great of Rev.18).
 - **E.** Rome (1Pet.5:13).

- **V.** B_P must be distinguished from B_R. See Doctrine of Religious Babylon
 - **A.** They are different as to designation (Rev.17:5; cp. 18:2).
 - **B.** They are different as to destroyers: B_R by the Revived Roman Empire; B_P by Russia.
 - **C.** They are different as to direct statement (Rev.18:1 "after these things").
- **VI.** B_P must be distinguished from B_H .
 - **A.** B_H was <u>not</u> devastated by the fifth cycle, but was left intact.
 - **B.** B_P is to be left completely devastated, left without inhabitant. Jer.51:29
 - C. B_H did not permit Jewish exiles to leave before the fifth cycle. Ezr.1
 - **D.** B_P will allow American Jews to leave prior to the fifth cycle. Jer.50:8,9,28; Jer.51:6,9,45; Rev.18:4
 - **E.** B_H enemies came from the east. Isa.46:11
 - **F.** B_P enemies come from the north. Jer.50:9
 - **G.** B_H was a river in a desert (the area called Mesopotamia).
 - **H.** B_P will become a desert by the seas (total contrast). Jer.51:13 cp.43
 - **I.** B_H has been inhabited since her fall.
 - **J.** B_P will not even be visited following her fall, much less lived in. Jer.50:3,39,40; 51:43
- **VII.** B_P and Tyre. Isa.23; Ezek.26-28; cp. Rev.18
 - A. As there are no clear far fulfillments concerning Tyre, it is a type of B_P.
 - **B.** Both are portrayed as economic powers of their day (history repeats itself). Eze.27:3; cp. Rev.18:9ff
 - **C.** Both exhibit great arrogance as a result of God-given prosperity. Eze.28:1-6; cp. Isa.47:8).
 - **D.** Both practice economic internationalism. Isa.23:15-18; Ezek.27:33; cp. Rev.18:3,9
 - E. Both became involved in anti-Semitism because of greed. Eze.26:2,3; cp. Jer.51:34
 - **F.** Both were ruled by monopolistic capitalists. Isa.23:8; Rev.18:23
 - **G.** Both experienced sudden cessation of economic affluence due to the fifth cycle. Eze.26:7-12; Rev.18:17,22
 - **H.** Both fell, never to be revived. Eze.26:14; Rev18:21
 - I. Both were entertainment capitals of the world. Eze.26:13; cp. Rev.18:22
- **VIII.** Reasons for identifying B_P with the U.S.
 - A. B_P is described as the last of nations, a later nation in human history. Jer. 50:12
 - **B.** B_P is said to have a mother nation.
 - C. B_P is made up of peoples from every nation on earth. Jer.51:9,44; E Pluribus Unum
 - **D.** B_P is the dominant economic power going into the Tribulation. Rev.18:18,19
 - E. B_P is located in the midst of the sea. Isa.21:1; Jer.51:13
 - **F.** B_P has a northern enemy. Jer.50:9,41
 - **G.** B_P exists contemporaneously with other nations such as Russia, Orientals, Pan-Arabic bloc, Revived Roman Empire, Roman Catholic Church, and Israel.

- **IX.** Various false interpretations of political Babylon.
 - **A.** It is the entire world.
 - **B.** It is the same as religious Babylon.
 - C. It is the same as the kingdom of Antichrist
 - **D.** The ancient city of Babylon will be rebuilt.
- **X.** Identification of America's enemy. Eze.38 and 39
 - A. It is a powerful northern nation Russia. Jer. 50:3,9,26 cp. Eze. 38:15
 - **B.** It is described as rapacious and cruel. Isa.13:18; Jer.50:42
 - C. It is armed with nuclear missiles. Jer. 50:9,14,25; Jer. 51:11
 - **D.** It fulfills the plan of God by completely destroying America. Isa.13:3
 - E. It has allies (satellites) who will participate with her. Jer.51:27
 - F. Russia will execute a complete surprise attack on the U.S. Jer.51:12,27,32
 - **G.** By close attention to detail, the enemy is identified. Isa.21:6-10
- **XI.** Language of accommodation and nuclear warfare in the overthrow of the U.S.
 - **A.** There are unusual and recurring references to arrows in the overthrow of B_P. Isa.13:18; Jer.50:9,14,29,42; Jer.51:3,11
 - **B.** There are constant references to fire. Isa.13:8; 47:14; Jer.50:32; 51:25,30,32,58; Rev.18:8,9,18
 - C. The land becomes a desert without inhabitants. Jer.51:43
 - **D.** The land cannot even be approached by man. Rev.18:10
 - **E.** The fall will occur in one literal hour of one day. Rev.18:8,17,19
 - **F.** Conclusion: The U.S. suddenly becomes a radioactive desert as a result of nuclear warfare.
 - **G.** Language as to this type of destruction is further prophesied concerning the last days. Jam.5:1-6
- **XII.** Comparison of America's destruction with that of Sodom and Gomorrah. Isa.13:19 Chaldeans = Anglo-Saxons; Jer.50:40
 - A. It is unexpected and sudden. Isa.13:19; 47:11
 - **B.** Believers were and will be delivered, even the raunchiest.
 - **C.** Destruction is by fire (and fall-out, like Lot's wife).
 - **D.** There is a cessation of human, animal, and plant life, producing a desert.
 - **E.** There is a cessation of reversionism.
 - **F.** The Lord causes it.
- **XIII.** Various reactions to the fact of America's overthrow.
 - A. Her citizens' hands hang limp, terrified. Isa.13:7
 - **B.** The vision of Isa.21:3,4 produced for him mental and physical anguish.
 - C. The president will not respond aggressively, but will be timid. Jer.50:43
 - **D.** World leaders financially dependent on the U.S. will "mourn". Rev.18:9
 - E. Foreign business leaders will be hysterical over her fall. Rev.18:15
 - **F.** Communists will be jubilant. Isa.13:3

G. Believers are commanded to rejoice and celebrate. Rev.18:20; Jer.51:48

XIV. The U.S. will fall despite:

- **A.** Her claim to the contrary. Isa.47:8,9; Rev.18:7
- **B.** Her experience in diplomatic affairs. Isa.47:9-15
- C. Her advanced technology. Jer.51:53
- **D.** Her past military successes. Jer.50:22,23

XV. Specific categories said to be destroyed.

- **A.** Young men. Isa.13:18; Jer.50;27,30
- **B.** Babies and children. Isa.13:18
- C. The diplomatic corps. Isa.47:13,14
- **D.** Agriculture. Jer.50:16; 51:23.
- E. Bureaucrats and the academic world. Jer.50:35
- **F.** The clergy. Jer.50:36
- **G.** Men of the military. Jer.50:30,36
- H. Foreign visitors. Jer.50:37
- **I.** U.S. wealth. Jer.50:37
- **J.** Transportation. Jer.50:37
- K. Old men, youth, women. Jer.51:22
- L. Politicians. Jer.51:23
- M. The President. Jer. 50:43
- N. Businessmen. Rev 18:22
- **O.** Commerce. Jer.51:36; cp. Rev.18:22
- P. Social life. Isa.21:5
- **O.** The entertainment world. Rev.18:22
- **R.** The environment. Isa.14:23
- **S.** All military armaments. Jer.51:56

XVI. Further details in regard to the fifth cycle to the U.S.

- **A.** It will occur <u>after</u> the Rapture, in the third year 1st month of the Tribulation. Jer.51:45,46
- **B.** It will be announced by at least three special angels as well as through the teaching of the 144,000. Jer.50:2; Rev.14:8; 8:1-3, 21-24
- C. Americans will be given a gospel hearing. Rev.14:6
- **D.** Americans will be given an opportunity to exodus. Jer.50:16; 51:9; Rev.18:4
- **E.** At the time, Americans will be arrogant, prosperous, complacent and self-indulgent. Isa.47:8: Rev.18:7
- **F.** Her leaders will be decadent.
- **G.** She will be completely surrounded by enemies' arrows. Jer.50:14,15,29
- **H.** Her judgment will come suddenly, in one day, in one hour. Rev.18:8,10,19
- **I.** By her own greed, she has constructed her own historical trap; namely, trade with her enemies. Jer.50:24
- **J.** Her military establishment will be impotent and annihilated. Jer.50:30; 51:3,30,56

- **K.** Her defensive system will be destroyed. Jer.51:58
- **L.** Her discipline will be doubled because of her special blessing. Jer.50:29; cp. Lk.12:48; Rev.18:5-6
- **M.** Her suffering is contrasted to her affluence. Rev.18:7
- N. Every nation has suffered because of her policies. Jer.51:49; Rev.18:24
- **O.** Her land, once the praise of mankind, will become an object of horror and fear. Jer.50:23; 51:41
- **P.** Her cities and surroundings will be burned by thermonuclear war. Jer.50:32; 51:25; Rev.18:8
- **Q.** Her land will be rubble: a hot, radioactive desert without an inhabitant, with contaminated swamps, along with desert creatures living in the ruins, a land unapproachable by man. Isa.14:23; Jer.50:39-40
- **R.** Inhabitants of Babylon will all be destroyed. Isa.14:22
- **S.** The U.S. will never be revived. Isa.13:22; Isa.47:5; Jer.51:26; Rev.18:21

XVII. Documentation of America's descent into evil.

- **A.** It is a nation established by God (as all are). Jer.18:9; Act.17:26
- **B.** The U.S. has experienced unprecedented prosperity. Jer.51:7
- **C.** As America became the economic leader of the world, she began a gradual descent into evil (1Tim.6:10 *the love of money is the root of all evil*).
- **D.** What is her evil? Economic internationalism, whereby she has led other nations into evil. Jer.51:7
- **E.** She came under the control of monopolistic socialists. Rev.18:3,9,23
- **F.** Her citizens came under the idolatry of covetousness and were unwilling to break the control. Jer.50:38; Rev.18:3,7
- **G.** Her "unseen" rulers, (wealthy elite/Prince of Tyre) have clandestinely supported communism (Isa.21:2). The result is world unrest, revolution and suffering.
- **H.** World unrest is due to universal covetousness. Rev.18:3
- **I.** America is leading the nations in an unprecedented revolt against the Lord, which will usher in the Tribulation. Ps.2:1-3
- **J.** However, Christ is going to break America's control over the nations, ushering in unprecedented universal freedom, called the Millennium. Jer.50:34

XVIII. Reasons for the overthrow of the U.S.

- **A.** Economic internationalism. Rev. 18:3
- **B.** Blind arrogance. Isa.47:7-8; Rev.18:7
- **C.** Anti-Semitism. Jer.50:11; Jer.51:34-40,49
- **D.** Idolatry and demonism. Isa.21:9; Rev.18:2

XIX. Relationship of the 1st 4 seal judgments to the U.S. Rev.6:1-8

- **A.** The riders of the 4 horses are personified as Antichrist. Vs.8 cp. the victory song of Moses and the Lamb (Rev.15:3-4) in far prophetic reference to Exo.15 esp.vs.1
- **B.** The 4 horses of the Apocalypse represent Antichrist's general policy and agenda during Daniels 70th week.

- **C.** The U.S. sets the stage politically and economically that Antichrist will support upon his appearance in history and after her demise pick up reigns in world leadership.
- **D.** The white horse looks to a peace propaganda campaign through disarmament as headed by the U.S.
- **E.** The red horse is the use of NATO forces in policing world conflict (which the Revived Roman Empire/EU will retain after the fall of Babylon).
- **F.** The black horse of economic socialism and inequality as instituted by the great merchants of B_P will fall under the control of Antichrist. Rev.13:16-17
- **G.** The pale horse illustrates Antichrist assuming the role of the dominant military and political power stripped from the U.S.
- **H.** Antichrist will personally destroy B_R to absorb the religious arm of the Babylonian system. Rev.17:16-17

XX. Relationship of the seventh bowl judgment to the U.S. Rev.16:17-21

- **A.** The seventh bowl judgment occurs at the end of the seven years of the Tribulation.
- **B.** The greatest earthquake in history, eliminating all islands, mountains, and all national capitols characterizes it.
- **C.** Jerusalem is not destroyed, only divided into 3 parts.
- **D.** Also, there will be intense meteor showers.
- E. In God's frame of reference is the U.S., which He has recently destroyed. Vs.19
- **F.** For complicity with the U.S., nations will lose their capitols.

XXI. Relationship of this doctrine to the Rapture and Tribulation.

- **A.** The rapture awaits the existence and evil of the U.S.
- **B.** The U.S. fulfills the requirements of B_P.
- **C.** Scripture also prophesies an apostasy which concludes the Church Age. 2Tim.3:1-7; 1Thess.5:1-10
- **D.** In the U.S. there will be a positive remnant of people, the Royal Family.
- **E.** The evil of the U.S. will set up the apostasy of the Great Tribulation.

XXII. Applications to the Royal Family in the U.S.

- **A.** The U.S. will not be destroyed before the Rapture.
- **B.** Look for constant increase in world and national evil.
- **C.** The U.S. will still be a dominant economic power until the Rapture.
- **D.** We are not going to be at war with communists (or terrorists) to win.
- **E.** The Royal Family will be delivered 3 years before the fifth cycle.
- **F.** Avoid, via grace provision, the idolatry in the land/monetary reversionism.
- **G.** Persist in GAP (the grace apparatus for perception) Heb.10:25