The King of Hearts

Europe awards Clinton the Charlemagne Award. Why?

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In the mid-fifteenth century, French playing card manufacturers arbitrarily gave identities to each king, queen and jack. The King of Spades was given the name King David, Diamonds became representative of the Roman emperor Julius Caesar and Clubs went to Alexander the Great. The King of Hearts was Charlemagne.

This story is about Charlemagne. It is a story about the prophesied endtime revival of his world dominating empire, the Holy Roman Empire. It was founded in 800 AD, but the Bible tells us that it will rear its ugly head again on earth just before Jesus returns to defeat the Antichrist and False Prophet.

The endtime Charlemagne will be the Antichrist. Beware of the King of Hearts.

Pawns and kings

On June 3rd, 2000, U.S. President Bill Clinton flew to Aachen, Germany, to receive the 50th Annual International Charlemagne Prize. The award is given to the person each year who does the most to further the cause of European unity. Previous recipients include the great Winston Churchill, Czech president and world statesman Vaclav Havel and King Juan Carlos of Spain.

These men, however, are lowly pawns. The real action is found in the king. Let’s take a look at the king.

He was Charles Magna—Charles the Great—King Charles I. He was Charlemagne, the first emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, the fifth world dominating empire starting with Babylon. He was crowned by Pope Leo III in 800 AD.
in Aachen, Germany, and ruled over a united Europe. This coronation marked the birth of the Holy Roman Empire.

Why would the European Union place such prestige and reverence over a king who has been in the grave for over 1,100 years? The fact is, the European Union has chosen King Charlemagne as its George Washington. The heads side on the first coin minted by the EU in 1987 bears the image of Charles the Great.

It is critical to understand that the European Union is recreating the Holy Roman Empire. It is likely that its king will ultimately become the Antichrist. Let’s take a closer look.

Half a king

The history books record that Charles Magna wasn’t all that magna. The unpublicized fact is, Charles was only half of a king. Charles, you see, had a partner. He shared his authority. His partner was the pope.

Back in the eighth century, Charlemagne wanted to bear rule over the known world of his time, but he didn’t wield enough power. Interestingly, the pope of the Roman Catholic Church wanted the same. As the vicar of the Son of God on earth, the pope felt that he should rightly be in charge of the world’s affairs. Neither Charlemagne nor the pope was powerful enough by himself to assume the desired role of authority, so the two of them cut a deal. Pope Leo III crowned Charlemagne as emperor of the Holy Roman Empire. They would share the power. And so it was born.

Understanding the source of Charlemagne’s shared power status, why in the world would the European Union place all of its marbles into this chintzy half a basket? Why choose the King of Hearts and not the King of Diamonds? After all, Julius Caesar ruled over the same territory, but didn’t have to split his authority with anybody. Why not put Julius Caesar’s image on their coins?

The answer is simple. It’s because the Vatican is inexorably involved in the creation of the European Union and, de facto, the re-creation of the Holy Roman Empire.

Understanding the Holy Roman Empire and its leadership structure is the most important insight in the Bible for recognizing the Antichrist and False Prophet.

Holy Roman Empire in prophecy

In order to grasp the staggering implications of the EU’s formation, let’s look at the prophecy. It’s found in Daniel Chapter 2.

Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, had a dream. Daniel recounted his dream and then provided the interpretation. The actual dream is recorded in Daniel 2:31-35… the interpretation in verses 36-45.

The dream depicted a great image whose head was of gold, breast and arms of silver, belly and thighs of brass, feet of iron, and feet of iron mingled with clay. Then a stone, which was cut out without hands, smote the image upon the feet. It broke the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver and the gold into pieces. As Nebuchadnezzar watched, the stone that smote the image grew until it became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

The interpretation: Five world empires

In Daniel 2:36-45, the meaning of the dream was revealed. Daniel said to the king, “Thou art this head of gold” (v. 38). Then he explained that, after Nebuchadnezzar’s kingdom, another would rise which would be inferior to his kingdom. After that kingdom, yet a third kingdom would arise. This third kingdom was represented by the belly and thighs of brass.

To fully understand the importance of this prophecy of Nebuchadnezzar’s image, carefully notice the key phrase in verse 39, “which shall bear rule over all the earth.” We know that many nations have existed from the time of Daniel until now. However, only five empires have existed since Daniel’s time which have ruled the entire world. They are the empires depicted in this image of Nebuchadnezzar’s dream.

Nebuchadnezzar’s Babylon ruled the known world of its day and was the head of gold. In the days of Belshazzar, the last king of Babylon, the hand of God wrote on his palace wall foretelling that his kingdom would fall that night and that his kingdom would be replaced by the kingdom of the Medes and the Persians (Daniel 2:40). Both history and the Bible (Daniel 5:30-31) tell us that this did occur.

The empire of the Medes and the Persians is the kingdom symbolized by

World Spiritual Leaders Convene at UN

Travel Tip of the Week: If you find yourself in New York on August 28-29, stop by the General Assembly Hall at the United Nations Building to get a firsthand look-see at the UN’s Millennium World Peace Summit. You will find there over 1,000 spiritual leaders from all over the world convening with the hope of encouraging each other to bury ancient hatchets and cooperate in resolving world conflicts.

occurring on the coattails of the June 26 constitution signing of the United Religions Organization, this is being hailed as one of the UN’s most ambitious projects to date. This summit appears to make official the UN’s intent to extend its global peacekeeping role into the sphere of religious conflict.

The summit’s organizer is Bawa Jain of the Interfaith Center of New York.

The intent to establish a new global spiritual order has been in the works at the UN for years. Credit for coming up with the brilliant idea for this summit, however, has been bestowed upon Ted Turner. Bawa Jain related the inside story: “Ted Turner said to the Secretary-General (Kofi Annan), ‘If you want peace in the world you have to bring together religious leaders at the UN and get them to sign a declaration.’”

Cardinals, rabbis, Islamic imams and “living-god-gurus” will be in attendance. The Tibetan Buddhist leader, the Dalai Lama, is expected to skip the event because his presence might aggravate the Chinese.

Will the summit have a genuine impact? One skeptic, Barbara Smoker, former president of the National Secular Society, notes the role religion has had in virtually every conflict in history. “They have a lot to answer for,” she said. “They won’t have much influence on the majority of believers, who are more motivated by ingrained emotion engendered by religion than by what their leaders say.”

Stay in New York for another week and you may catch a glimpse of the UN’s largest single gathering of heads-of-state ever held in the world. The Millennium Summit will be held September 6-9.
the arms and breasts of silver. This empire dominated the world for over 200 years, from the night that Babylon fell in 539 BC until it was defeated by the Grecians under Alexander the Great in 331 BC.

The Grecian Empire is the third world empire of King Nebuchadnezzar’s image. The Grecian Empire is symbolized by the belly and thighs of brass. Alexander the Great, the “King of Clubs,” conquered the entire world by the time he reached his early thirties. Greece was the dominant force in the world for 134 years until defeated by the Romans in 197 BC.

Then began the rule of the Roman Empire which was symbolized by the “legs of iron” (v. 40). The Roman Empire still ruled the world at the time of Jesus Christ. That’s the reason there were Roman soldiers present in Israel at the crucifixion of Jesus. During the life of Christ, the entire world was under tribute to the Roman Empire. This empire continued for 500 years until it decayed from within and was overrun by barbarians.

The prophecy states that one more empire would rise which would rule over “all the earth.” Until this last empire, each section of the image in the king’s dream had a completely different metal from the previous section. From the head of gold, to the arms and breasts of silver, to the belly and thighs of brass, and to the legs of iron, each is a total change of metals. The feet, however, consist of two elements — iron and clay. The mixture indicates that the element of iron (the Roman Empire) from the legs would survive; however, another element (the clay) would be mixed in.

After the Roman Empire came another empire, which was related, but different. This latest empire was called the Holy Roman Empire.

The Holy Roman Empire

In order to understand this part of the prophecy, you must understand the difference between the Roman Empire and the Holy Roman Empire. They are not the same. The Roman Empire existed during the time of Christ, and ceased to exist around 300 AD. The Holy Roman Empire was founded five hundred years later in 800 AD.

From the time of Charlemagne until now, the Holy Roman Empire has risen and fallen several times. As previously explained, the Holy Roman Empire has always been ruled by two men, a political leader and a spiritual leader. The last world government, which is now emerging, will also be ruled by two men. The political leader will be the Antichrist, and the spiritual leader will be the False Prophet (Revelation 19:19-20).

The feet of iron and clay

Note that the iron element of the former Roman Empire remained, but that the new clay element, the Roman Catholic Church, had been added. Remember that the image in the king’s dream had feet of iron mixed with clay. It is easy to see that the clay represents the Roman Catholic Church. The Holy Roman Empire has always been a union of church and state.

The passage also states that “...they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.” This passage has been explicitly fulfilled. Each time the Holy Roman Empire has been established, it has succeeded for only a short time. Each time, after reaching world domination, the pope and the emperor began to quarrel over which one between them should be the final authority. The popes have always held that “spiritual” should rule over “temporal.” On the other hand, the emperors have insisted that they should have the last word. Because of the quarreling, their alliances eventually disintegrated. It has certainly been as the scriptures said: the iron will not cleave to the clay!

The most important element of Nebuchadnezzar’s dream is the “stone.” The stone, which was cut out of the mountain, rolled down and smote the image upon the feet. The stone represents the kingdom of God (v. 44). The feet of the image represent the Holy Roman Empire! This illustrates to us that the Holy Roman Empire will be in existence when Jesus returns to establish His kingdom.

Political leader and spiritual leader

This prophecy gives us a crystal clear understanding that the kingdom of the Antichrist will be a modern-day Holy Roman Empire. And remember, there have always been two leaders in this em-
pire, a political leader and a spiritual leader. The political leader has always been from Europe and the spiritual leader has always been the pope of the Roman Catholic Church.

In the book of Revelation we have the same thing. The two leaders are called the beast (the Antichrist) and the False Prophet. We know for certain that whoever is pope at the time of the Antichrist, he will be the False Prophet.

Let’s pause here for a moment. This last statement can be offensive to some people. The goal here is not to offend. We must point out that Catholic prophecy books teach the very same thing. They teach that an evil pope is coming. Both Catholic prophecies and the Bible are seeing the very same events. There are many Catholic people who believe that the next pope will be the prophesied “evil pope.” Time will tell.

Summarizing the prophecy

The Bible prophesies an endtime revival of a world order with the structure of the historical Holy Roman Empire. It will be a union between a political leader of Europe and the Vatican. Charlemagne was the first leader of this fifth world dominating empire.

When the political entity called the European Union makes Charlemagne their George Washington, then, my friends, it appears that you and I are witnessing the prophesied revival of the Holy Roman Empire.

Others see it too

The reason the French playing card companies assigned the hearts suit to Charlemagne was apparently because of his tie with the Vatican. The suit of hearts was more symbolic of the church than spades, diamonds or clubs. The “holy” part of the Holy Roman Empire is universally recognized. It was recognized by the French in the fifteenth century, and it is recognized today as the European Union assigns Charlemagne first place among kings.

Most of the prophecy world fails to recognize that there are five parts to Nebuchadnezzar’s image. It is taught that his image has four sections, the fourth being the Roman Empire. This is why you will not find the information written in this article in many other places.

Does anyone else recognize the emergence of a modern-day Holy Roman Empire and Charlemagne? The Economist magazine does though it is not a religious publication. Quite to the contrary, the Economist is known as the periodical of kings and presidents. It is owned by the Rothschilds, one of the most influential families in the entire world. A section in each edition is called “Charlemagne.” It is a feature article on a person who in some major way is contributing to European unity. The May 27, 2000 column, for instance, began by proclaiming that there are a few countries in Europe that are, in fact, “unreservedly proud of their place in the European Union, that look forward to further sacrifices of sovereignty and view the euro currency as an all around success, that applaud publicly the work of the European Commission, and that want from Europe only more of the same.”

There are some in Great Britain who also see an emerging Holy Roman Empire. They don’t like what they see, however. Consequently, they are able to see the developments more clearly. Daniel Johnson, opinion writer for the UK’s Daily Telegraph, recently went so
far as to call a spade a spade, or rather, if you will excuse me, a heart a heart. Speaking on German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer’s plan for a federalized European Union, he summarized by writing, “Fundamentally, it still dreams of a Germanic Holy Roman Empire.”

Eleven of the fifteen EU states now have the same currency, the euro. The German deutschmark will cease to exist in July 2002. The Italian lira is leaving. The French franc as well.

Did you know that there is a Vatican official present at all high level EU meetings? Interesting.

Working the plan

There is a definite, intentional plan to revive the Holy Roman Empire. And further, this is specifically prophesied in the Bible. Bill Clinton just received the Charlemagne Prize because he has bought into the vision that there should be a united Europe. It was specifically mentioned at the giving of the award that Clinton had contributed to the unification of Europe through his leadership in the Bosnia conflict and in the Kosovo crisis.

When the revival is accomplished, it will probably not be called the Holy Roman Empire. It will, however, be just that. And out of this union will come the Antichrist.

In his acceptance speech Clinton urged EU members not to leave Russia out. This is highly significant, because the prophecies indicate that Russia will be very much involved with the endtime one-world government and the Battle of Armageddon.

During the 1,000 years of the reign of the Holy Roman Empire, most all of Europe was Roman Catholic. If the pope said it, then that’s the way it went. He gave his blessing to Europe’s political leaders because temporal leaders were needed to administer the Holy Roman Empire. But the pope always felt that he was the ultimate authority.

Bill Clinton receiving the Charlemagne Prize from the EU should be a signal to us. We should take a closer look at the EU, and what exactly is being created. They are fulfilling Bible prophecy, but they haven’t a clue. It’s amazing to look at the prophecies of the Bible, to know what’s coming and then to see it fulfilled before your very eyes.

We have been teaching on the revival of the Holy Roman Empire for many years. In the beginning, we didn’t know there was a Charlemagne Prize, and we didn’t know a U.S. president would be a recipient. It was never imagined that the European Common Market’s first ceremonial coin would bear the image of Charlemagne. All we had to go on were the prophecies of the Bible.

Now all the pieces of the puzzle are coming together. The prophesied endtime revival of the Holy Roman Empire is developing very rapidly. It is happening far from U.S. soil, but it will, ultimately, come to affect us all.

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U.S. President Bill Clinton, accompanied by German President Johannes Rau, left, King Juan Carlos of Spain, 2nd left, and Hans Muellejans, 4th left, the custodian of the cathedral, visit the throne of Charlemagne inside the Aachen Cathedral, Germany. Clinton was presented with the International Charlemagne Prize, awarded for 50 years by Aachen city leaders to world leaders who promoted European unity as a safeguard against future world wars. Germany’s westernmost city on the Dutch and Belgian borders has been a symbol of European integration.