

## It Might Be Today

## AGENDA 21

We like every week to bring what we call a Prophecy Update. We show how news and trends in the world are corroborating centuries-old prophecies found in the Bible.

The Bible predicts that in the last days the nations of the world will move towards forming a one-world government. In his apocalyptic vision in the Book of the Revelation, the apostle John sees the "beast," also called the Antichrist, rising out of the sea having seven heads and ten horns (Revelation 13:1). This ten-nation or ten-region confederacy is also seen in Daniel's image of the statue in Daniel 2:41-42 where he pictures the final world government consisting of ten entities represented by the ten toes of the statue.

John goes on to describe the ruler of this vast empire as having power and great authority, given to him by Satan himself (Revelation 13:2), being followed by and receiving worship from "all the world" (13:3-4), and having authority over "every tribe, people, language and nation" (13:7). It is logical to assume that this person is the leader of a one-world government which is recognized as sovereign over all other governments.

Is there a movement towards a one-world government? Yep!

A few weeks ago Newt Gingrich<sup>1</sup> became the first major presidential candidate to bring up something called Agenda 21.<sup>2</sup> It is a global push towards what its adherents call 'sustainable development.' It has already been agreed upon agreed upon by 178 nations, including the United States.

Agenda 21 is a program run by the United Nations (UN). It is a comprehensive blueprint of action to be taken globally, nationally and locally by organizations of the UN, governments and major groups in every area in which humans directly affect the environment.

What's it all about? Here is a quote from Agenda 21:

Effective execution of Agenda 21 will require a profound reorientation of all human society, unlike anything the world has ever experienced. [It requires] a major shift in the priorities of both governments and individuals and an unprecedented redeployment of human and financial resources. This shift will demand that a concern for the environmental consequences of every human action be integrated into individual and collective decision-making at every level.

One of the things they mean to do to accomplish sustainable development and express concern for "environmental consequences" is abolish the ownership of private property. As bad as that sounds, the Agenda 21 'agenda' is far worse than that.

Maurice Strong, Secretary General of the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP), has been the driving force behind the birth and imposition of Agenda 21. He said the following:

The concept of national sovereignty has been an immutable, indeed sacred, principle of international relations. It is a principle which will yield only slowly and reluctantly to the new imperatives of global environmental cooperation. It is simply not feasible for sovereignty to be exercised unilaterally by individual nation states, however powerful. The global community must be assured of environmental security.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>http://www.theusreport.com/the-us-report/2011/11/14/newts-discussion-of-agenda-21-critical-because-were-talking.html</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Agenda 21 can be read here <u>http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/agenda21/res\_agenda21\_00.shtml?</u> <u>utm\_source=OldRedirect&utm\_medium=redirect&utm\_content=dsd&utm\_campaign=OldRedirect</u>

Current lifestyles and consumption patterns of the affluent middle class - involving high meat intake, use of fossil fuels, appliances, air-conditioning, and suburban housing - are not sustainable. A shift is necessary which will require a vast strengthening of the multilateral system, including the United Nations.

One opponent of Agenda 21 commented,

Agenda 21 is *not* an environmental management policy, but an attempt to impose a global centrally planned quasi-government administered by the United Nations.<sup>3</sup>

There really is an agenda to form a one-world government and it's called Agenda 21. It comes as no surprise to us because the Bible predicted it as much as 2500 years ago.

I remind you that although we follow the fulfillment of Bible prophecy, we are not waiting for any prophecy to be fulfilled. Jesus promised to return to resurrect and rapture the church as an imminent event. By that we mean the certainty that He may come at any moment and the fact that no prophesied event stands between the believer and that hour.

Are you rapture-ready? If not, get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. *Ready or not, Jesus is coming!* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>http://amos37.com/2011/04/03/agenda-21-accusations/</u>