

# Images of the Week...



Jan. 10, 2017. The lights of nearby buildings reflect off the Pond near the Gapstow Bridge in Central Park, New York City.



Jan. 11, 2017. Smoke rises from chimneys during a freezing winter morning in Prague, Czech Republic.



Jan. 13, 2017. Donald Trump gummy bears are seen for sale on a store shelf of White House Gifts as President elect Donald Trump prepares to take the oath of office.



Jan. 13, 2017. NYPD Detective Steven McDonald 's casket arrives at St. Patrick's Cathedral for his funeral in New York City.

## DAY OF DECISION

My friend, today is your day of decision. Are you saved? God loves you. The Bible tells us that because we're all born with a sinful fallen nature that separates us from God, Jesus Christ (God the Son) was sent into this world to die on the cross and shed His precious blood for your sins. Those who truly receive Christ into their heart by faith will be transformed spiritually and accepted by God into His heavenly kingdom. Those who reject Christ will be separated from God forever and tormented in Hell and the Lake of Fire. What will your decision be?

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16*

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*"Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17*

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STAINED GLASS WINDOW DEPICTING  
MARY AND MARTHA WITH JESUS  
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# Bible Study Lesson: **FIT FOR A KING!**

Key Bible Verse: **Psalm 72:1-8** - *"Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son. He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment. The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness. He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor. They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations. He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth. In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth. He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth."*

Other Scriptures: **Psalm 9:7-10** - *"But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgment. And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness. The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee."*

**Luke 1:33** - *"And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end."*

**Revelation 19:16** - *"And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords."*

Every year on the third Monday of January our nation observes Martin Luther King (MLK) Day, which commemorates the life and legacy of the former American pastor and civil rights leader. While King's dream of equity and justice for all Americans is certainly a well-documented and noble cause, it will not be achieved in this lifetime. Why? Because of the sinful heart of lost mankind. As long as sin exists in our world today, there can never be total and lasting peace. Thankfully, there's another king who will someday make MLK's dream come true—the King of Kings and Lord of Lords—our Wonderful Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! When He returns back to earth He will rule and reign forever more with judgment, justice, and equity for all. There will be no more racism, ethnic hatred, or violence by one human being or group toward another. Jesus Christ will be king over all the nations. His throne of power and glory will truly be fit for a king, and of His kingdom there will be no end!

Sincerely,  
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It is my sincere hope and prayer that you will find a new life in Christ and experience the joy of walking with Him each day.



## *Israel in the News*

**Netanyahu slams 'futile' Paris peace conference:** Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Sunday dismissed as "futile" an international conference in Paris seeking to revive the moribund Israeli-Palestinian peace process. "The conference convening today in Paris is a futile conference," he told ministers at the start of a weekly cabinet meeting in Jerusalem. "It was coordinated between the French and the Palestinians with the aim of imposing upon Israel conditions that are incompatible with our national needs," he said. Netanyahu's government has bitterly opposed the conference, saying only direct talks with the Palestinians can end the long-running conflict.



## **National Headlines**

**U.S. House takes first step toward Obamacare repeal:** The Republican-led U.S. House of Representatives on Friday approved a measure making the first move toward scrapping Obamacare, joining the Senate in instructing key committees to write legislation repealing the health insurance law. Eliminating Obamacare is a top priority of the Republican-majority Congress as well as President-elect Donald Trump, who has urged lawmakers to act quickly. The resolution passed on Friday instructs committees of the House and Senate to draft repeal legislation by a target date of Jan. 27. The resolution passed by a vote of 227 to 198.

**Baby kidnapped from Florida hospital found safe 18 years later:** A woman who was taken as a baby from a hospital in Jacksonville, Florida, in 1998 has been found safe, Florida authorities said on Friday, and the South Carolina woman she believed to be her mother has been arrested for kidnapping. Kamiyah Mobley, now 18, was located in Walterboro, South Carolina, according to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, which confirmed her identity through DNA testing.

**U.S. woman dies of infection resistant to all 26 available antibiotics:** A U.S. woman has died from an infection that was resistant to all 26 available antibiotics, health officials said this week, raising new concerns about the rise of dangerous superbugs. The woman, who was in her 70s, died in Nevada in September, and had recently been hospitalized in India with fractured leg bones, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported. The cause of death was sepsis, following infection from a rare bacteria known as carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), which is resistant to all antibiotics available in the United States.

**Juno Snaps New Image Of Jupiter's Great Red Spot:** Jupiter's Great Red Spot has been captured in a stunning new image by NASA's Juno spacecraft. The photograph, created by a citizen scientist named Roman Tkachenko using data gathered by instruments onboard Juno, was released by the space agency on Friday. The image was taken from a distance of over 285,000 miles on Dec. 11, when the solar-powered spacecraft performed its third close flyby of the gas giant.



## **Global Headlines and Prophetic World Events**

**Obama eases Sudan sanctions, prompting anger:** U.S. President Barack Obama on Friday took the controversial step of easing economic sanctions against Sudan, trying to improve relations with a country whose leader is accused of war crimes and links to terror. Obama informed Congress that he will lift trade and investment sanctions against Khartoum after a six-month probation period, although Sudan will still be designated a state sponsor of terrorism.

**Egypt drops case against mob that attacked Christian woman:** Egyptian prosecutors have thrown out a case brought by an elderly Christian woman against several members of a Muslim mob who stripped off her clothes and paraded her naked through the streets, her lawyer said Sunday. Last May's assault in the central Minya province began after rumors spread that the son of the 70-year-old woman had an affair with a Muslim woman. Saturday's decision by the prosecutors cited lack of sufficient evidence. The victim, Souad Thabet, told a U.S.-based Christian TV station that she and her family are unable to return home to this day because of threats by Muslim extremists in the village. **U.K. voices 'reservations' over Mideast summit, refuses to sign statement:** Britain cited "reservations" over Sunday's Middle East peace conference and refused to sign a joint statement that called for a negotiated two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. A Foreign Office spokesman said the British had "particular reservations" about the meeting in Paris taking place without Israeli or Palestinian representatives, "just days before the transition to a new American president".