

# Images of the Week...



Mar. 8, 2017. Afghans cry after an attack on a military hospital in Kabul, Afghanistan.



Mar. 9, 2017. People gather at the destroyed tomb of the Prophet Jonah (Nabi Younes) in the eastern side of Mosul, Iraq.



Mar. 11, 2017. A family looks at paper lanterns during a memorial event to mourn victims of the March 11, 2011 earthquake and tsunami disaster, in Natori, Miyagi prefecture,



Mar. 11, 2017. Protesters set off fireworks during a candle light vigil calling for impeached President Park Geun-hye's arrest in Seoul, South Korea.

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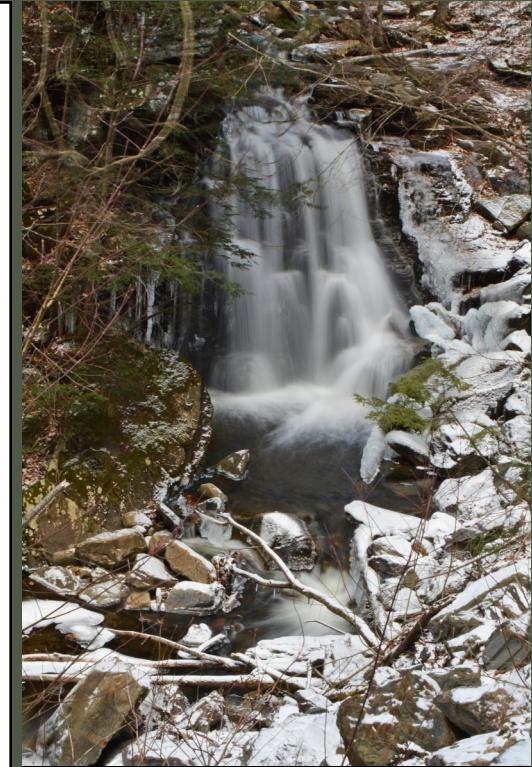
*"Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17*

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# Bible Study Lesson: "BEWARE, THE IDES OF MARCH!"

**Key Bible Verse:** [Psalm 119:104-105](#) - *"Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."*

**Other Scriptures:** [Jeremiah 10:2](#) - *"Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them."*

[Ezekiel 13:22-23](#) - *"Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life: Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I am the LORD."*

[2 Thessalonians 2:9-10](#) - *"Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved."*

If you're old like me, at some point in time you've probably heard it said, "Beware, the ides of March!", but what exactly does it mean and where did it come from? The "ides of March" refers to a part of the Roman calendar that corresponds to March 13 or 15. The term "ides" is actually a pagan term used by the Romans to indicate the mid-point of any month on their calendar. It's also used to describe the date in March when Julius Caesar was assassinated in the year 44 BC and therefore carries with it a negative connotation. The incident marked a turning point in Roman history that eventually led to the now infamous saying: "Beware, the ides of March!" To the Romans and many other people today, the ides of March holds negative and superstitious significance. As we think about superstitions, we're reminded in God's word of just how easily Satan can and will deceive people who reject the simple truth of God's love and salvation. Many end up believing the lie that carrying out superstitious acts such as walking under a ladder, breaking a mirror, or opening an umbrella indoors will result in personal harm. Others trust and believe in such things as reading their horoscope or fortune telling to predict and guide the future course of their lives. Yet at the same time, what's most amazing is how many of these same people totally reject the firm foundation of the truth of God's word for guidance. This much we know, the Bible is the one solid rock upon which we can securely build our eternal future, when we believe in and follow after its teachings. Are you a superstitious person today? How much do you trust and value the word of God over man-made thoughts and ideas?

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

**Jordan releases soldier who massacred seven Israeli schoolgirls:** Jordan has released a soldier after serving 20 years for the massacre of seven Israeli schoolgirls during a class trip in 1997. Ahmed Daqamseh gunned down the children, who were aged 13 and 14, while they were visiting the scenic Island of Peace close to the Jordanian border. In the attack he also wounded seven others. He has never shown any remorse for his actions and said during his trial he had killed them because they disturbed and mocked him as he prayed. A court later ruled the Jordanian soldier suffered from anti-social personality disorder, sparing him from the death penalty and sentencing him to life in prison instead. The Associated Press reported that Daqamseh arrived in his home village of Ibdir in northern Jordan on Friday and told reporters that Israelis are "human garbage".

**Putin hosts Netanyahu for talks set to focus on Syria:** Russian President Vladimir Putin hosted Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Thursday for talks focusing on the situation in Syria and Israeli concerns about the role of Iran and its proxies there. Greeting Netanyahu at the start of their Kremlin negotiations, Putin emphasized a high level of trust between them. Netanyahu's visit to Moscow follows his talks last month with U.S. President Donald Trump. Netanyahu praised Russia's role in fighting the Islamic State group and other radical militants in Syria. At the same time, he raised strong concern about the presence of Iranian and Hezbollah forces in Syria.



## National Headlines

**Statue of Liberty goes dark:** The Statue of Liberty went dark on Tuesday night causing mass confusion on social media. Only Lady Liberty's torch and crown were visible in the night sky as the statue stood in darkness in New York Harbor for a few hours. Several on Twitter suggested the power outage was in solidarity with "A Day Without A Woman", the women's strike planned for Wednesday across the United States. But alas, that was not the case. A statement by the National Park Service obtained by Fusion said the problem was a "temporary, unplanned outage" that was "likely due to work related to an ongoing project to activate a new emergency backup generator that is part of our last remaining Hurricane Sandy recovery projects."

**Train hits bus, killing 4 passengers on senior center trip:** A freight train smashed into a charter bus in a coastal Mississippi city on Tuesday, pushing the bus 300 feet down the tracks and leaving at least four people dead, authorities said. Rescuers spent more than an hour removing passengers, cutting through the bus's heavily damaged frame to extract the last two. The bus could be seen straddling the tracks, with a CSX Transportation locomotive pushed up against its left side. The bus was apparently stopped on the tracks when the 52-car train, pulled by three locomotives, slammed into it.

**U.S. Northeast primes plows with blizzard bearing down:** Weather forecasters on Sunday put the U.S. East Coast from New York City to Boston on a blizzard watch, warning of the potential for 12 to 18 inches of snow and wind blasts in some areas from Monday night into Wednesday.



## Global Headlines and Prophetic World Events

**Deadly ISIS attack at Afghan hospital:** More than 30 people were killed and 50 others wounded when gunmen dressed as doctors stormed Kabul's largest military hospital in a massive attack that highlighted the Islamic State's growing foothold in Afghanistan.

**'Nightmare' scenes after Guatemala shelter fire kills 30:** A fire that ripped through an overcrowded home for abused children in Guatemala killed at least 30 people, mostly girls, and doctors on Thursday described their shock at the severity of the burns suffered by two dozen more hospitalized victims.

**Garbage dump landslide in Ethiopia:** A landslide swept through a massive garbage dump on the outskirts of Ethiopia's capital, killing at least 35 people and leaving several dozen missing, residents said, as officials vowed to relocate those who called the landfill home.

**South Korean court throws president out of office, two die in protest:** South Korea's Constitutional Court removed President Park Geun-hye from office on Friday over a graft scandal involving the country's conglomerates at a time of rising tensions with North Korea and China. The ruling sparked protests from hundreds of her supporters, two of whom were killed in clashes with police outside the court, and a festive rally by those who had demanded her ouster who celebrated justice being served.