## REVERED RABBI KADOURI DIES ON JAN 28 AT 108 YEARS OLD AND RELATED NEWS Feb 10, 2006

Note from Pastor Kevin Lea: The following news items are extremely interesting in light of last-days biblical prophecy. Some background is necessary for the reader to understand and appreciate the impact of this news.

Rabbi Kadouri was a very respected Kabbalist leader who died on Saturday, January 28, 2006. Over 200,000 mourners poured into the streets of Israel during his memorial procession last week. Kabbala is a Jewish form of New-Age Occultism, which true Christians should not be dabbling in or embracing.

To form their version of Judaism, Kabbalists rely on Old Testament scriptures, the secret writings and traditions of occultic mystics and extrabiblical writings. Many Gentiles are enamored with the hidden secrets of Kabbalah and are trying to learn more as a means to find fulfillment in their otherwise empty lives. A famous American example is Madonna, who traveled to Israel in 2004 to study Kabbalah. During her visit, the now deceased Rabbi Kadouri rebuked Madonna's visit saying, "It is forbidden to teach Kabbalah to a non-Jew."

Yet some Kabbalist leaders have recently given an open hand of fellowship to the cultish Noahides, who are gentiles that believe the Torah laws of the Bible are for the Jews but the "Seven Laws of Noah" are for all gentiles (more on the "seven laws" at the end of this handout). They believe that observance of these "Laws of Noah" will bring salvation to the adherent. This teaching is contrary to the teaching of the New Testament Apostles and should therefore be considered by true Christians as just another "works salvation" false gospel (Galatians 1:8).

One of the well known gentile leaders of the Noahide cult is Vendyl Jones, who claims to have found the lost Ark of the Covenant and is soon going to show the world his find (with Kabbalist Rabbi blessings).

On January 10, 2006, the Jewish Sanhedrin also accepted the Naohides as a

like-minded group of gentiles who wanted to follow the laws of Noah (see article below). The Sanhedrin is a religious ruling body of seventy-one rabbis. It was the Sanhedrin council of antiquity that tried and condemned Jesus (Matthew 26:59). The Sanhedrin disbanded after the destruction of Israel and has been only a chapter of history for the last sixteen hundred years. Then, in October of 2004, a group of orthodox Jews re-instituted the council of the Sanhedrin in the city of Tiberius, where they have regular meetings in a room that was constructed for their purposes. Most of the seventy-one members of this council are anonymous, but it is very likely that some of them are Kabbalists.

After the Sanhedrin heard, on January 10, 2006, of the Noahide devotion to the Jewish Law of Moses (for the Jews) and the similar seven laws of Noah (for the Gentiles), they gave them their blessing by saying, "We hereby recognize these men as the first high council of B'nai Noach (sons of Noah) in accordance with the conditions they have accepted upon themselves."

With this background, hopefully the following will make more sense. I will add additional comments below.

### REVERED RABBI KADOURI DIES ON JAN 28 AT 108 YEARS OLD



Rabbi Kadouri

Elder Rabbi Yitzchak Kaduri passed away Saturday night at Jerusalem's Bikur Cholim Hospital. His funeral will take place Sunday at noon. Rav Kaduri, born in 1898, was 108 years old and was the leading Kabbalist Rabbi.

He was hospitalized for 13 days prior to his death.

Rabbi Kaduri made Aliyah (moved to Israel) in 1908. He then returned to Iraq to study with the famed Ben Ish Chai, and later returned to the Holy Land in 1916. He studied in Yeshivat Porat Yosef in the Old City of Jerusalem, and later in Yeshivat Nachlat Yitzchak in Jerusalem's Bucharian neighborhood. The Rabbi quickly gained a reputation for his profound study of Torah and Kabbalah, his piercing insights, and his great piety.

Former Sephardic [European Jew] Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef and the Council of Sages of the Shas [Orthodox Jews who have some representation in the Kenesset] said, "We are mourning the passing of the elder kabbalist, the remnant of the Great Assembly, Rabbi Yitzchak Kaduri." For most of his life Rabbi Kaduri was unknown to the general public. He led a modest life of study and prayer and worked as a bookbinder.

President Moshe Katsav praised the rabbi for his love of Israel, and his efforts to unite secular and religious Jews. "The president is pained by the death of the important rabbi, whose name was known in Israel and abroad," the President's Office said in a statement. "Rabbi Kaduri, among the greatest rabbis of Israel and the Jewish people, was characterized by his love for Israel, and an unmatched familiarity with the Kabbala. Rabbi Kaduri was known for his great modesty and humble lifestyle, and dedicated himself to the needs of the people of Israel."

# RABBI KADURI'S MOST RECENT WORDS

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(IsraelNN.com) Famed Kabbalist Rabbi Yitzhak Kaduri, who has been in serious condition in the hospital for 1.5 weeks, revived and spoke with his close associates for an hour and forty minutes after the end of the Sabbath, this past Saturday night. One of those people, Arutz-7 Hebrew radio showhost Yehoshua Meiri, related to Arutz-7 the rabbi's words. The rabbi spoke in Hebrew; what follows is an approximate translation:

"The Kabbalists will investigate my words over the recent months about the Redemption and Moshiach *[The Messiah]* and [they] will reveal the secret name of Moshiach [Hebrew for Messiah] which was revealed to me on Cheshvan 9, 5764 (November 4, 2003)." The rabbi said he actually met the person who will be Moshiach, on that date.

Note from Pastor Kevin: This is an amazing news item. Rabbi Kaduri was saying that he met the "Messiah" on November 4, 2003.

Jesus prophesied that the Jews would reject Him as their true Messiah but would, in the future, accept a false Messiah.

John 5:42 "But I know you, that you do not have the love of

God in you. 43 "I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive. (NKJ)

Jesus also warned a future Jewish people living in the last days that many false Messiahs would come. He told them not to believe their claims because Jesus would not come as a man next time but would come from the clouds with power and great glory.

> Matt 24:24 "For false christs [Messiahs] and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. 25 "See, I have told you beforehand. 26 "Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it. 27 "For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. (NKJ)

Luke 21:25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; 26 "men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. 27 "Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 "Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." (NKJ)

Whoever this man was that the Rabbi met, his stock value as the "Messiah" will be greatly increased when his name is revealed along with the now deceased Rabbi Kaduri's endorsement. The Rabbi's followers will consider this man-messiah to be from God himself. However, since we know the true God has told us that this man-messiah will actually be the Antichrist, then any message the Rabbi received from "god" was actually a message from the false god, Satan.

The Germans were ready to worship Hitler as their deliverer because he offered to lead them out of decades of hardship. Likewise, the Jews will be ready to embrace the man who will promise them true peace, defensible borders, and the ability to build the third temple.

It is becoming increasingly obvious that the Middle East is about to be embroiled in another all-out war, possibly including WMD. The wars described in Psalms 83, Isaiah 17 and Ezekiel 38-39 could literally happen in our lifetime. The aftermath of these wars will leave millions dead and the world reeling with starvation, disease, lawlessness, as the Bible predicts. The survivors will be crying out for someone to bring the world out of its troubles, and Satan will have just such a man ready and willing to promise peace, but deliver further misery. If the Rabbi has met this man, then the "time of Jacob's trouble" and the events described in the Book of Revelation are very near.

The rabbi said of the Moshiach, "He won't come and say 'I am the Moshiach. Give over the rule to me.' Rather the Kabbalists would discover the secret name [of Moshiach] among my 'hidden' [Kabbalistic] words and the nation will push him to lead it."

The "hidden" Kabbalistic secrets and words are derived from occultic practices. Kabbalist use "mystics" who are channelers of messages from demonic spirits. Satan knows who his man is so it is no surprise that he uses occultic mystics to prepare the way. Jesus also knows the Antichrist's name and He warned the Jewish people to recognize the Antichrist by the number of His name.

> Rev 13:16 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, 17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. 18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666 [meaning his Hebrew equivalent name will add up to 666 when the numerical equivalent value of the letters are added together]. (NKJ)

Meiri also described a "ceremony" that took place during the brief period the rabbi was awake and alert. With only four people in the room, the rabbi "whispered Tzofanim Kabbalisti'im [Kabalistic esoteric codes] to one of the four persons present, whose name we are not revealing."

Some have asked me who I think it was. My response has been to find out who met with him on November 4, 2003, or to find out where potential candidates where on that day. For example, does anyone know where Bill Clinton was on November 4, 2003, or Juan Carlos of Spain?

# <u>A ''NEW'' SANHEDRIN?</u>

Following the establishment of the State of Israel, the new minister of

religion, Rabbi Yehuda Leib Hacohen Maimon, was in favour of the idea, but was unable to persuade ultra-Orthodox groups.

In October 2004 (Tishrei 5765), a group of rabbis claiming to represent varied communities in Israel undertook a ceremony in Tiberias, where the original Sanhedrin was disbanded, which they claim re-establishes the body. This new Sanhedrin was established by Rabbi Dov Levanoni, who received ordination from Moshe Halberstam, a leader of the Eda Haredit's Beit Din Zedek religious court. Levanoni ordained Rabbi Tzvi Idan as temporary Nasi, but he soon stepped aside in favour of well-known Jewish author Adin Steinsaltz. However, this "reinstated Sanhedrin" is not recognized by the Israeli government nor by the vast majority of Jews, regardless of their level of observance. Even in the Haredi world, most people do not accept its authority. However, a year after its establishment, it was reported that the body was in "dialogue with the Ministry of Education over the Bible and Scriptures curriculum".

Though the majority of the membership of the 71-member "new" Sanhedrin remain anonymous, seven members have been selected to represent the body to the public. Three of these seven are leaders of the Temple Mount Movement who advocate demolishing the Al-Aqsa Mosque to make way for a Third Temple in Jerusalem. Further, the "new" Sanhedrin has confirmed its place within the Temple Mount Movement by announcing its intention to take steps to prepare for the rebuilding of the Temple. Subscribers to the **Temple Mount Movement** believe that the obligation to build the Temple is still in force, and that Jews have an obligation to work towards that end. Some of them also believe that by rebuilding of the Temple, they can usher in a Messianic Era of eternal peace.

Note from pastor Kevin: The prophetic scriptures are very clear that another Jewish temple will be built in Jerusalem. In Matthew 24, Jesus warns of a last days abomination (by the Antichrist) in the Temple.

Paul, in 2 Thess 2, says the Antichrist, "opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God **in the temple of God**, showing himself that he is God."

Finally, the apostle John was shown a future building of the Temple as recorded in Revelation 11 verses 1-2.

These three prophecies of the New Testament cannot be fulfilled unless another Jewish Temple is built in Jerusalem.

Gershon Salomon is the founder of the Temple Mount Movement, In February of 1999, about twenty others and I met with Gershon in Jerusalem to hear of his aspirations for the Jewish nation and the rebuilding of the Third Temple. In this meeting he stated that the man who allowed the temple to be rebuilt would be the Messiah. I then warned him that this man would, according to the Jewish prophets, be the false messiah. He rejected this warning by stating that, "No anti-messiah could have anything to do with building a most holy temple that would be used to worship God."

Apparently, the stage has been set for the Jewish people to fall in love with the wrong Messiah. Jesus and the prophets Daniel and John make it clear that this wrong move will last for 3.5 years, and then the Antichrist will show his true colors and go on a killing rampage against the Jews who foolishly embraced him.

But how could a Jewish temple be rebuilt with the current geopolitical and religious situation that currently exists in Israel? Even the thought of it seems impossible. This week the Western and Arab world are reeling from riots associated with newspaper cartoon depictions of the so-called prophet Mohammed. If Muslims throw such a fit about a cartoon, what would happen if Jewish temple builders went up to the Temple Mount with shovels in hand? I don't think anyone would argue that one billion Muslims would get very upset and start killing a bunch of Jews.

Therefore, something has to change. I believe that this coming change will be the destruction of Islam, which will be accomplished by the elimination of Mecca in the soon coming Middle East war. Consider the following possible sequence of events which would not only fulfill major prophetic wars, but set the stage for building the temple. I should caution that these prophecies will come true, but possibly in a different order, since the timing is subject to human error.

1. Nations surrounding Israel will continue to demand that she be wiped off of the map until God deals with these nations by destroying them with a whirlwind of fire (as prophesied in Psalms 83 – a prophecy that has never been fulfilled in the past). I believe this judgment could come in the form of an all-out war by Israel against its neighbors, and could include the destruction of Mecca, and with it, radical Islam.

2. Possibly simultaneous with 1. above, Israel and Syria go to war, resulting in: the complete destruction of Damascus and other cities of Syria, the destruction of Israel's northern military bases, and the weakening (but not elimination) of the Jewish nation as prophesied in Isaiah 17 - a prophecy that has never been fulfilled in the past.

It is my conjecture that this will involve Israel using its nuclear arsenal to defend itself, and when the dust settles, they will be left alive as a nation but defenseless.

3. Russia, eager to take advantage of the mutual destruction or near destruction of the Arab and Jewish nations, moves in with its armies to take control of the Middle East and its oil. Russia will be joined by Iran, Turkey, Libya and Sudan, as prophesied in Ezekiel 38-39 – a prophecy that has never been fulfilled.

According to Ezekiel, the other nations of the world (including America if we are still around) voice a protest against the Russian (and her allies) buildup toward war with Israel, but are apparently helpless to do anything about it.

If there is any truth to the recent news items about nuclear weapons having already been smuggled into our cities by terrorist, then it is easy to imagine how America could be removed from super power status in a literal flash. It is quite possible that the Muslim terrorist handlers of these (or other) weapons of mass destruction will be given the orders to "push the button" when the events of 1. and 2 above take place. This is admittedly conjecture, since the Bible does not talk about us, but something removes our ability to defend Israel if they are attacked, as president Bush promised (last week) he would do if the need arose.

As Russia and her allies reach the mountains of Israel in their attempt to exterminate the Jewish nation, God comes to the aid of His people and completely destroys the invading armies.

> *Ezek 38:21 "I will call for a sword against Gog* [ancient name for Russia] *throughout all My mountains," says the Lord GOD. "Every man's sword will be against his brother* [friendly fire]. 22 "*And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. 23 "Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the LORD."" (NKJ)*

4. When the dust of this war settles, the Jews (and the world) will realize that God saved them from certain death and they will look around and see that Israel's enemies are gone. As a result, permission will be given to the remaining Jews to build their temple, just as the nations gave permission for the State of Israel to form as a conscience saving move after the horrors of the holocaust.

5. The world will also be in such turmoil that the survivors will be looking for a world leader to save them from any further wars and bloodshed. One man will step up and with seemingly god-like wisdom and power, will unify the world. He will be the Antichrist, and anyone who worships him and bows to his image will be damned in hell forever (Rev 14:9-10).

Back to the news article.

Subscribers to the Temple Mount Movement believe that the obligation to build the Temple is still in force, and that Jews have an obligation to work towards that end. Some of them also believe that by rebuilding of the Temple, they can usher in a Messianic Era of eternal peace.

On the other hand, apparently few Sanhedrin members see the new Sanhedrin with such an extreme messianism. According to Arutz Sheva correspondent Ezra HaLevi, reporting from the November Sanhedrin session open to the public, the Nassi [Persident of the Sanhedrin] Rabbi Adin Steinzaltz clearly comes from a far-more conservative perspective: "He expressed his opinion that the project should steer clear of political pronouncements.

This point that was challenged by Rabbi Yisrael Ariel of the Temple Institute, who said that publicly opposing the expulsion and supporting those Jews expelled from Gaza and northern Samaria could not be referred to as political. The diverging viewpoints gave those in attendance a glimpse of the manner in which Sanhedrin members disagree with one another, recognizing their responsibility to enable the body to provide a wide spectrum of religious Jewish thought." Representing this more conservative view, Rabbi Bar-Ron writes, "The rebirth of the Sanhedrin is a slow, ongoing process.

Although it makes headlines and many like to highlight its controversy, it is in truth a humble project by rabbis from all sides of the Torah world joining together simply to fulfill a Torah commandment. Rather than a source of religious division, G-d forbid, it is a vehicle to bring about Jewish unity and civil justice, to help repair some of the deepest rifts in our society, and to provide an active, exemplary and unified Torah leadership so lacking in our times."

The Sanhedrin has also selected a group of non-Jewish leaders, scholars and teachers from the Noachide movement - the best-known of these is Dr. Vendyl Jones, to form a High Council of Noahides responsible for outreach education from within the non-Jewish world. In 2005 the Sanhedrin sent Rabbi Michael Bar-Ron to the USA to liase with Jones and other Noachide groups; he told Arutz Sheva that the plan was to

...transform the Noahide movement from a religious phenomenon - a curiosity many have not heard of - into a powerful international movement that can successfully compete with, and with G-d's help bring about the fall of, any religious movement but the pure authentic faith that was given to humanity through Noach, the father of us all...

> Note from Pastor Kevin: Yes, we heard him right. The Noahide movement wants to see the fall of all other religions on the earth (except Judaism, which God gave to the Jews). I believe this will actually happen during the tribulation period.

True Christians will have been raptured off of the Earth. As the Antichrist establishes a world religion, he will allow the Jews to perform their Torah based temple services for 3.5 years. He will also allow the "Laws of Noah" to be a common standard that all gentiles should follow. This will be advertised as a unifying move to prevent the religious divisions and wars that brought the world to the brink of destruction.

This will be tolerated for 3.5 years and then the Antichrist will change the rules and declare that he is god and must be worshiped by all.

Some Christians, like evangelist Hal Lindsey, see the reinstated Sanhedrin as good news. Believing that the Sanhedrin would be responsible for the rebuilding of the Temple, which would eventually be desecrated by the false Messiah during the end times.

## SANHEDRIN RECOGNIZES <u>COUNCIL TO TEACH</u> <u>HUMANITY 'LAWS OF</u> <u>NOAH'</u> 16:08 Jan 10, '06 / 10 Tevet 5766 By Ezra HaLevi

Note from pastor Kevin: The following is condensed from the original. You can see the entire article by going to our web page, where it will be under Handouts/Israel.



A group of non-Jewish delegates have come to Jerusalem to pledge their loyalty to the Laws of Noah. They appeared before the nascent Sanhedrin, which established a High Council for B'nai Noach.

The ten delegates appeared before a special session of the Jewish High Court of 71 Rabbis. B'nai Noach, literally "Children of Noah," also known as Noahides, are non-Jews who take upon themselves the Torah's [first five books of the Bible] obligations for all members of the human race. The seven such laws were passed on via Noah following the Flood, as documented in Genesis (see below).

The gathering took place under a banner quoting the Biblical passage in Tzefania [Zephaniah] 3:9 which refers to "all the nations... speak[ing] a pure language... proclaim[ing] the name of G-d."



The Noahide delegates stood before the nascent Sanhedrin, which was reestablished over a year ago in Tiberias, following the renewal of Biblical ordination, and has met regularly since then. "Each one [of the B'nai Noach] comes with a name he has made in the world, as a teacher and

example in his community of observance of the seven laws of Noah," said Rabbi Michael Bar-Ron, the Sanhedrin's emissary who facilitated the council's organization, introducing the delegates. "At great physical and financial expense, they have flown across the world to Jerusalem, the holy city, to pledge before the court and all mankind, their allegiance to the Seven Laws of Noah, the laws of the Creator."

Each of the Noahide representatives stood before the Sanhedrin and pledged:

"I pledge my allegiance to HaShem [Literally, "The Name"], G-d of Israel, Creator and King of the Universe, to His Torah and its representatives, the developing Sanhedrin. I hereby pledge to uphold the Seven Laws of Noah in all their details, according to Oral Law of Moses under the guidance of the developing Sanhedrin. May HaShem bless and aid me, my fellow council members and all B'nai Noach in all our endeavors for the sake of His name. Blessed are You G-d, King of the universe, who has caused me to live, sustained me, and brought me to this day."



Ben Noah Roger Grattan pledges before the Sanhedrin

Roger Grattan, a council aide who lives in Maine. told Arutz-7 prior to the ceremony, "I am sure that this will be a paragraph in the history of

civilization, although one could also write books on it. The core members of the council are Indian Foreign Relations Coordinator Bud Gill, ------Honorary Noahide Council Elder <u>Vendyl Jones</u>, Tennessee Noahide Community Head Jack Saunders and Council Speaker Jim Long.

Long addressed the rabbis of the court, requesting formal recognition of the Noahide Council: "Your honor, esteemed rabbis of the developing Sanhedrin. We are here because of your Torah. Rabbis before you elevated the Torah and it drew us in; before that, we stumbled in darkness. Everyone here today can tell you that in the past we have experienced the need to consolidate our efforts to make the world aware of the truth."

Rabbi Even-Israel Steinsaltz, on behalf of the Sanhedrin, replied: "We hereby recognize these men as the first high council of B'nai Noach in accordance with the conditions they have accepted upon themselves."

Rabbi Steinsaltz spoke about the role of the Jewish people in bringing the

Laws of Noah to the world:

"I am part of this Jewish family and I have nothing bad to say about that family, but you don't go up to a man on the street and ask him to join your family. Instead you talk to him about joining the true belief in the Creator and about implementing divine justice toward his fellow man. We are setting up a global mission here – not to recruit people, but to bring them to the realization that there is one G-d."

The Nassi explained that this aspect of Judaism lay dormant for years, as the Jewish people dealt with remaining alive and keeping the Torah in the exile.

Rabbi Even-Israel spoke about the difficulties that would confront the B'nai Noah movement as it grows:

"When we are speaking in general, almost every human being can more or less accept the laws of Noah, but when we get to particulars we will come to serious points, **at which we disagree with Christianity and Islam.** 

Note from Pastor Kevin: The orthodox Jew and Noahide have contempt for the Christian gospel.

"It is one thing when a religion is small, but as it gets bigger there will be huge pressures. We will be there beside you. We are members of the same religion that was given by the Almighty to humanity. Part of it was given to the Jews and part of it was given to humanity as a whole."

The makings of a one-world religion under the control of the Antichrist.

The Nassi added that while there are those who doubt the ability of the Sanhedrin to be more than an idea leading up to the true reestablished court, the Noahide Council cannot be doubted or criticized due to its pure motives and unprecedented mission.

Rabbi Yaakov Ariel of the Temple Institute said that although Tuesday is the Fast of the Tenth of Tevet, which commemorates the beginning of the destruction, "Our sitting in Jerusalem now, alongside B'nai Noach, demonstrates the revival and the fulfillment of the words of the prophets." Rabbi Ariel told those gathered that he had seen a rainbow that morning, "the closest thing to seeing Noah himself - the symbol of the covenant between G-d and humanity as witnessed by Noah."

Rabbi Nachman Kahane, Av Beit HaDin, spoke in English. "G-d created a primitive world," he said. "We don't grow loaves of bread, but grain that must be harvested, ground up and baked. We were meant to be partners with G-d. Unfortunately, throughout history, perversions of this idea grew. How

can you be G-d's partner if you are damned and born with original sin?

This shows their hatred for the idea of sin and the need for a savior, which is a hatred for one of the main tenants of Christianity.

How can you be a partner of G-d if your religion tells you to send your children to shopping malls to blow people up?

They also have a hatred for radical Islam, which will soon be gone.

What we are creating today is a reconnection between the people and G-d. G-d is saying to humanity – everyone has a job. I happen to be a priest - I have a particular task for when the Temple is built - but all of us have a specific task just the same; I am no better."

Sheikh Abdul Hadi Palazzi, a leader of the Italian Muslim Assembly, addressed the assembly, speaking about B'nai Noah in Islam: "**Islamic law holds within it the seven laws of Noah and can be taught correctly to the Muslims of the world**...

Meaning the moderate Muslim world will be able to become Noahides as part of the move to a one-world religion. The fundamentalist Muslims will be destroyed in the coming wars and survivors won't want to worship the god who let his Mecca rock get bombed.

I remember reading that a new Sanhedrin was created in Jerusalem [and] my impression was very positive - I thought maybe something new had been created to allow the Jewish people to project moral and legal clarity to counterbalance the lack of it in our world."

Palazzi added that the project of creating a council of Noahide teachers would hopefully counter the negative educational effect of the Gaza withdrawal, "which taught the opposite to my people - it convinced many that only terrorism works."

Rabbi Dr. Eliyahu Zini, who heads Yeshiva Or V'Yishuah and is the rabbi of Haifa's Technion, spoke about the intuitive natural truths of the laws of Noah. "We must create a formal connection between the nation of Israel and the B'nai Noah to show the world that we are a nation of holy priests, as is dictated in our Torah," he said, speaking partly in French as well, as the conference will be available on the Sanhedrin's web site for viewing by prospective B'nai Noah worldwide.



conference earlier in the day

Rabbi Yoel Schwartz spoke on the topic of "B'nai Noah and World Peace."

"The Islamic Jihad against the world has restored religion to the center of the world's consciousness," Schwartz said. "Over 30 years ago, someone by the name of Eisenberg sent a

proposal to the United Nations saying that there will never be world peace **unless the citizens of the globe agree on certain principles of faith** [that is, world religion]. It was adopted by the UN as one of its official documents but was not followed up upon and has since been forgotten. We are here today to follow up on that document and remind the UN why it exists. There will be world peace when the **whole world agrees that there is one G-d**. There are people who do not think what I am about to say is worthwhile, but I suggested years ago that we begin to translate our books, which are meant for the nations of the world, into Arabic as well [Schwartz has authored many books on practical observance for Noahides –ed.]. It is not by coincidence that we have this nation alongside us, surrounding and living inside the land upon our return to it, who also preserves the heritage of Abraham our father."

Schwartz has indeed translated his books to Arabic, with the help of an Arab man he met at a bus stop who asked him a Mishanaic question, telling him he had already translated the Mishna, a codification of Jewish oral law. He said the entire printing has been sold out. "**Muslim parents have thanked me for teaching their child that there is a different way to heaven than becoming a** *shahid*, a martyr," he said.

Rabbi Schwartz explained that although one of the purposes of the Jewish people's exile was to disseminate belief in the Torah's truths around the world, their return to Israel has brought with it the technology to redouble our efforts from here:

"The moment we came to Israel, communication technology flourished. The telephone and radio spread rapidly, and computers and internet came soon after, changing the entire concept of communication and education. When we were in the exile, we were there to teach the world, and now that we have returned to the Land of Israel, G-d has given us the tools to do the work from here."

Rabbi David Zilbershlag, Director of Meir Panim and Koach Latet, both innovative charity associations, spoke about rectifying the misdeeds of Noah's generation, the generation of the Flood. Zilbershlag said that the new Council of Noahides must focus on kindness and charity, as that was the basis of G-d's covenant with Noah (the lack of which resulted in the destruction of Noah's entire generation) and His later covenant with Abraham.

"It is hard to distribute and spread an idea that is negative, as the laws of Noah are phrased," Zilbershlag said. "We must make a great effort to find and distribute the relevant positive commandments in our tradition throughout the world as well, and the most basic of these is that of following in the footsteps of Abraham our father."

Rabbi Eliyahu Essas, a former refusenik and founder of the Teshuva (return to Judaism) movement in the USSR, spoke about establishing outreach within Israel to help gentiles who moved from the former Soviet Union to Israel become aware of the Noahide laws:

"There are at least 400,000 out of the million people who came to Israel who are not Jewish according to Jewish law. There are many who think they are Jews, but do not have a Jewish mother and are therefore not Jewish according to Jewish law. 150,000 have no blood connection to the nation of Israel – spouses of Jews and relatives who came under the Law of Return. Then there are 30,000 who have nothing to do with the Jewish people, coming with forged documents. Over there, Jews wanted to be Russians; here, Russians want to be Jews.

"Should we harass such a person to convert, should we leave him alone, or should we try to get him to become a Ben Noah?" Essas asked, refraining from offering answers and saying that such complicated matters must be dealt with by both the Noahide Council and the Sanhedrin's B'nai Noah Beit Din. He added that the problem of intermarriage was not discussed by previous generations because it did not exist in such numbers. "We are dealing with 50% of families in the former Soviet Union and even more in North America. So if one spouse is a Jew and one is a Ben Noah, what will be their status? I want to raise these issues and offer a prayer to the Almighty to help us find wise solutions."

#### **Council Looking Forward**

Jim Long outlined the Council's goals, "Education is a vital part of our effort and we need you to help us with this. We need to make sure that developing Noahide groups do not split into denominations. As we move into the public eye, we will be viewed as heretics by many. We each come from other religions and must develop ways to approach them in a manner in which they listen without closing their ears. The Noahide movement is a Torah-based template for an ethical way of life. The Creator requires humanity to uphold these laws as per His covenant with Noah.

"Anyone who reads the Bible can see that your Torah is your constitution, your Bill of Rights and your deed to the Land of Israel. We have plans to publish Noahide prayer books, children's books and documentaries on science and the world through the lens of the Torah."

#### The Seven Laws of Noah are:

Shefichat damim - Do not murder or commit suicide.
Avodah zarah – Pray and offer sacrifices only to G-d. Do not worship false gods/idols.
Gilui arayot - Do not be sexually immoral (no incest, sodomy, bestiality, castration and adultery), crossbreed animals or perform castration.
Ever Min HaChai - Do not eat a part of a live animal or consume blood.
Birkat Hashem - Do not utter G-d's name in vain, curse G-d or pursue the occult. Honor your parents.

Gezel - Do not steal or kidnap.

*Dinim* - Set up righteous and honest courts and apply fair justice in judging offenders and uphold the principles of the last five.

Final note from Pastor Kevin: I don't believe we have heard the end of the Noahide movement and all these news items coming together within a couple weeks leads me to believe we are truly in the last of the last days. Are you ready? If you don't know Jesus Christ as your personal savior, then the answer is no and you need to become a believer in Jesus. Please contact us if you have questions about being born again.