

What About ... the Borders

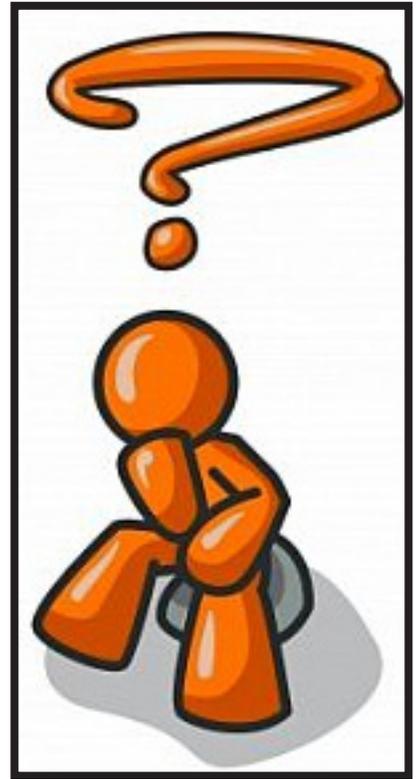
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There is a lot of discussion in America right now about the US/Mexican border. All kinds of statistics and opinions are flying around, but it is pretty clear that our southern border is being breached by illegal aliens. Let's look at this two ways.

Politically, the conservatives are claiming the liberals refuse to tighten down on illegal immigration because they want the Mexican vote. Probably. The Democrats and the mainstream media also tried to put the focus on the illegal immigrants already in the country. The Republicans are divided on that, so it gets them to arguing with one another. That sort of backfired because the conservative radio people turned the focus on securing the borders, and most believe we should do that.

But there is a larger issue here. The political liberals have a bigger goal than getting the Mexican vote. They don't want to secure our borders because they don't believe

in sovereign nations. They believe in a global world with no exclusive borders at all—like the European Union. They believe we are evolving into a global utopia of world peace brought about by (1) global government, (2) global economic control, (3) global religious cooperation, and (4) global moral tolerance.



The idea of borders is considered by secular liberals to be old, archaic, medieval—in short, un-evolved. They would say: “We had tribes, then city-states, then nations. Now it's time to evolve into a new global world which will secure peace and prosperity. Borders are just another thing to go to war over.”

Biblically, we have no call to defend national borders. The church is a worldwide fellowship of believers in Jesus Christ, indwelt with the Holy Spirit, making disciples of all nations, not defending the sovereignty of any particular nation. Christ and the apostles called for holiness unto God, not national patriotism. Most American Christians appreciate what our country has been, and we hate to see it go down the tubes. We love our freedoms, and we are tempted to fight for them. But the Bible tells us about what's next: a global government controlled by Satan (the dragon), under the antichrist (the first beast), plus a global religious/economic leader (a second beast). They will promise to unite the world for global peace and prosperity. So it appears that what the secular liberals want, what they consider to be evolution to a global utopia, is exactly what the “unholy trinity” of the upcoming Tribulation will provide.

Jesus told us not to calculate future dates. But He also told us to be alert and aware of the signs of the times. Every day is closer to Christ's return (of course). But, oh, say,

before the mid-1900s, Israel was not an established nation, there was no technology to label and track everyone, and there was no one talking about global tolerance. This could, of course, be hundreds of years off. Or a few more earthquakes, volcanoes, oil spills, and the Rapture of the

Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon. He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed. ... And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark ... (Revelation 13:11-12, 16-17).

church could put this in place quickly. Our role is not to fix the politics or calculate the return of Christ. Our role is to make disciples of all nations, while there is still time, and make our families and disciples aware of the signs of the times. Why should we know the signs of the times? **BECAUSE BIBLICAL PROPHECY WAS NOT GIVEN TO PREDICT THE FUTURE BUT TO CONFIRM THE TRUTH OF THE WORD OF GOD AS IT UNFOLDS.**