

*"I will shake heaven and earth"*

*Haggai 2:21*

Dear friends,

On the evening of the day that Rupert and James Murdoch answered questions before Members of Parliament about phone hacking and the 'News of the World' newspaper, Howard talked with Clifford Hill and Tim Vince on 'the Late Show' as to how, from a Biblical point of view, we are to understand the signs of the times. Many Scriptures were shared during the programme. Some that stood out were from the prophet Haggai:

*"For thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Once more I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says the LORD of hosts. 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the LORD of hosts. 'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' says the LORD of hosts. 'And in this place I will give peace.'"*

*And again the word of the LORD came to Haggai on the twenty-fourth day of the month, saying, "Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying: 'I will shake heaven and earth. I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms; I will destroy the strength of the Gentile kingdoms. I will overthrow the chariots And those who ride in them; The horses and their riders shall come down, Every one by the sword of his brother.*

Almost on a daily basis there seems to be a 'shaking' and it is not just restricted to the UK. In Europe, nations are struggling to pay their debts. In Africa tens of thousands of people are facing starvation. In the Middle East the UN is soon to discuss dividing Jerusalem, and creating a new Palestinian State. Then there is all the shaking that has been taking place in many of the Arab nations.

As Christians we need to understand what is happening and to know what God is saying through it all. That is why at Revelation TV, we give so much programme time to looking at current events and sharing what the Scriptures have to say about them. We make no apology for this.

But with an understanding there also comes a responsibility to do something about what we have discovered. That is why in August we are showing a series of programmes on Fasting and Prayer, and issuing a call to three days of fasting and prayer. As a leadership we will be holding three days of fasting and praying at the end of the month (August 30 and 31st and September 1st). Please consider joining us for those three days as we seek God's intervention in some of these troubled situations.

We count it a privilege to serve you through the work of Revelation TV. Thank you for your gifts that enable the work to continue. Our prayer is that every programme on the August schedule will be an encouragement, a challenge and a blessing to your soul.

With warmest love and greetings,

Howard & Lesley, Gordon & Lorna and all at Revelation TV

