

Parson to Person

Guest Speaker: DR. RANDALL PRICE
(THE TEMPLE IN JERUSALEM)

“Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, “Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months” (Revelation 11:1–2 NKJV).

The passage above gives some insight into an interesting facet of the dispensation we call “The Tribulation.” The Tribulation is a future seven-year period which follows the “Church Age” and “Rapture of the Church.” The seven-year Tribulation will begin with the signing of a peace treaty between Israel and the surrounding nations. Of interest is the fact that during the Tribulation there will be a measurable temple in Jerusalem. John is being told to examine and measure it.

The location of this Temple gives way to great conversation among Muslims, the people of Israel, the Church, Theologians, et al.

This is the topic of our Bible study today with special guest Dr. Randall Price.

Dr. Price is a graduate of Dallas Theological Seminary in Old Testament and Semitic Languages and holds a Ph.D. in Middle Eastern Studies from the University of Texas at Austin. He has also studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He is Distinguished Research Professor and Executive Director of the Center for Judaic Studies at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia.

He has served as Director of Excavations on the Qumran Plateau in Israel (site of the community that preserved the Dead Sea Scrolls) since 2002 and has excavated at other sites in Israel since 1990. Dr. Price is part of “Operation Scroll,” which was launched in the 1990s by the Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) to search for more Dead Sea Scrolls in the caves around Qumran. His team is “the first foreign team in over 60 years to excavate any cave in the Qumran area for new Dead Sea scrolls.”

He is also President of World of the Bible Ministries, Inc., a Christian Zionist non-profit organization doing research in the biblical lands and educating the public on archaeological, biblical issues and the Middle East conflict through books, media, and conferences. It is our blessing to have him with us today.

Please give him the kind of welcome we can be proud of here at Candlelight.

I love you all, Pastor Paul