The call for sexual license has been the heart and soul of rock music from its inception, and this is brazen rebellion against God's holy law of marriage. The rock world is a sleazy, filthy world. From the 1950s until today, rock music has been filled with immorality. It is impossible for a Bible-believing Christian to watch the Grammys or to read Rolling Stone and other rock magazines or even to browse the Walmart pop music department or the pop music section of the Apple iTunes store without seeing the continual flaunting of nakedness and the glorification of sexual license. The lives of popular rock musicians have been filled with profanity, fornication, adultery, multiple marriages, homosexuality, lesbianism, alcohol abuse, drug abuse, tumult, and suicide. This fact alone should cause Bible-believing Christians to avoid rock as they would avoid the devil himself. The very idea of using this sensual music to worship a holy God is spiritual insanity. Consider some statements by the rock and rollers themselves in which they testify of the character of rock music: “Rock and roll is the darkness that enshrouds secret desires unfulfilled, and the appetite that shoves you forward to disrobe them” (Timothy White, Rock Lives, p. xvi). “Everyone takes it for granted that rock and roll is synonymous with sex” (Chris Stein, Blondie, People, May 21, 1979). “Rock music is sex. The big beat matches the body's rhythms” (Frank Zappa of the Mothers of Invention, Life, June 28, 1968). “The sex is definitely in the music, and

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CHRUCHES CLOSING ACROSS ENGLAND/EUROPE

According to a January 2 Wall Street Journal report entitled “Europe's Empty Churches Go on Sale,” the secularization of England and Europe continues. “The Church of England closes some 20 churches a year, while approximately 200 Danish churches have been deemed nonviable, and the Catholic Church in Germany has shut down about 515 churches in the past ten years. In the Netherlands the situation is grimmer still, and Catholic leaders estimate that two-thirds of their 1,600 churches will be out of commission in a decade, with 700 of Holland's Protestant churches expected to close within four years” (“Europe Sells Off Churches,” Breitbart, Jan. 5, 2015). Of course, Europe's Christianity has long been unsound, being composed largely of apostate Roman Catholicism and dead Protestantism. England's Christian history is somewhat better, with its more significant tradition of Baptist, Methodist, Brethren, and other “non-conformist” churches that were separate from the state church. But England is nearly equal to Europe today in the apostasy of its churches. This is a fulfillment of Bible prophecies such as 2 Timothy 4:3-4. Replacing the Catholic and Protestant forms of “Christianity” is a New Age spirituality. “Christians” and non-Christians are uniting by means of joint social-justice endeavors and shared consensus that the “kingdom of God” must be built by human hands. The hour is very late.
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SATELLITE VIEW OF ISRAEL

On Christmas morning, Astronaut Barry Wilmore took some beautiful photos of Israel from the International Space Station. I particularly like the one taken from the direction of the Sinai Peninsula looking north across the entire length of Israel, Lebanon, and Syria, to Turkey in the distance. A large portion of the Mediterranean is also visible. This shows the entire portion of land God gave to Abraham and his descendants, from Egypt to the Euphrates. It doesn't look like much today, even after the wonderful transformation that modern Israel has wrought, but one day this land will be the joy of the whole earth. Mt. Zion will be the city of the great King, and the place of His nail-scared feet will be glorified beyond imagination. “Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God is known in her palaces for a refuge” (Psalm 48:1-3).
The following is excerpted from “Milwaukee Sheriff,” Christian News Network, Dec. 31, 2014: “Sheriff David Clarke has been featured on a number of news outlets in recent weeks to discuss his thoughts about the incidents and the reaction that has followed. Last week, he was interviewed on CNN about a Tweet that he sent this month to a journalist with the New York Times, which read, ‘If only these faux protesters were asked by media about all the black on black killing or black babies aborted in US every year.’ Clark, who is a black man himself, was asked by host Poppy Harlow if he sent the message, and what he meant by the statement. ‘Yes, I did,’ he replied. ‘When I hear these things that black lives matter, the only people who really believe that statement are American police officers who go into American ghettos every day to keep people from killing each other. Alright, so, yes I did send that and I meant it. Look, the abortions. If black lives— if they really mattered, that’s where the outrage would be that’s where we’d see protests...’”

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HARPERCOLLINS REMOVES ISRAEL FROM MAP

HarperCollins has apologized for omitting Israel from an atlas it published in early 2014 for sale in schools in the Middle East. The Collins Primary Geography Atlas for the Middle East is advertised as providing “in-depth coverage of the region and its issues,” including “its socio-economic development and inter-relationships with neighbouring regions and the wider world.” On December 31, HarperCollins UK issued an apology stating, “HarperCollins regrets the omission of the name of Israel from their Collins Middle East Atlas. This product has now been removed from sale in all territories and all remaining stock will be pulped. HarperCollins sincerely apologises for this omission and for any offence caused.” In 2013, Scholastic publishing house erased Israel from a map in the book Thea Stilton and the Blue Scarab Hunt. A lot of people would like to join HarperCollins and Scholastic in removing Israel from the map, but it won’t happen. According to Bible prophecy, Israel’s future holds more trouble before the dawn of Christ’s kingdom, but God put her back in the land and she isn’t going away.
THE INTELLIGENT DESIGN ARGUMENT

The following by William Pelletier, Ph.D., is from Bible Science Guy, BibleScienceGuy.Wordpress.com, Dec. 9, 2010: “I definitely do think that causation by an intelligent agent can usually be detected. This presupposition underlies practically any investigation into past events. Most criminal investigations, archaeology digs, cryptography (is it a coded message or a random signal?), forensics (was death from natural causes or foul play?), the government-funded Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI), etc., presume the ability to detect actions by intelligent agents by their effects. Why do archaeologists get so excited when they find a stone axe buried in a cave? Why are they thrilled at finding cave paintings? It’s because they instantly conclude that men-intelligent causation-generated these effects. The key question is always, ‘What is the most reasonable explanation of the effects?’ Without an eyewitness or recorded testimony, one can never prove the validity of an explanation of a past event. One evaluates explanations and chooses the most reasonable one.”