...And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. (Mt 24:12)

So, Johnny's father comes home one evening, uptight about some problem at the work place. After pulling into the drive way, barely missing Johnny's bike, his anger is inflamed the more. With a beaming smile upon his face, Johnny runs up to the now stationary car, eager to speak with his father. Before he could utter a word, his father angrily bellyaches at him for leaving his bike in the drive way, sending him to his room. Confused and trembling Johnny silently complies. His father grabs his brief case from the back seat, slams the car door, and makes his way to the house.

Expecting to see his wife, and have her cater to his needs, having had a bad day at work as bread winner, he hurriedly enters the house. But she is not home. She had been waiting for him over 25 minutes, having cooked a special meal for the family that evening. Before leaving for work this morning, she had asked him to buy an item needed as a final garnish to the meal, on his way home. Anticipating he might not have had opportunity, she nipped to the corner store before they closed. She had left word with Johnny to tell his father this, and have him look in the refrigerator for a special drink she had prepared him. With her not being at home, his anger now turns to profanity.

About this time his wife arrived. Hearing the high volume of her husbands voice, she became concerned. She rushed to the house, almost dropping her shopping, only to be met by the verbal abuse of her husband. The entire evening is spoiled, the spirit of which continues through to the next morning.

Johnny's mother rose early that morning, so too did Johnny. She wanted to prepare breakfast and get Johnny ready for school. Johnny was also anxious to get to school. Last evening, before his father got home, he had learnt to tie his shoe lace and was eager to tell his friends. Something he also wanted
desperately to share with his father when he approached the car. In his still festering anger, Johnny's father gets up, quickly dresses and leaves the house, not uttering a word to anyone. Soon after his arrival at work, he receives good news concerning the problem that was bothering him. As a matter of fact excellent news. He was elated. The monetary and promotional rewards were very promising. About an hour later he receives a telephone call from the emergency services. A drunk driver had crashed into his wife and son, whilst they were crossing the road to school. She in a coma and Johnny is dead. He immediately rushed to the hospital. On arrival he had opportunity to read the incident report. It stated, Johnny's skull was crushed by the wheel of the car. At the bottom of the page, an eyewitness stated, '...for about 90 seconds before he died, he had been screaming repeatedly, at the top of his voice, the words "daddy daddy daddy I can tie my shoe lace." His last breath. Two days later his wife also died, having never regained consciousness. HOW DO YOU BREAK A HARD HEART?
THE FOOLISHNESS OF GOD:
WISER THAN THE WISDOM OF MAN!

In its principal, the life style and conduct of Mt Carmel, in addition to our experiences following February 28th, 1993, were a series of tests. Designed of heaven, to address the question, HOW MUCH DO YOU LOVE GOD? This is a question to all of humanity, and a predicate to receiving the new covenant (The Seven Seals, the mystery of God) reuniting humanity with God. It required an wholistic and unreserved response from mankind, to facilitate the bonding of the covenant, also known as the marriage of the Lamb. This is what affirms its Holiness.

The biblical backdrop to this begins in Deut 32:21. Prophetically speaking, God stated;

They (Israel) have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God. They have provoked me to anger with their vanities:
I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation.

Note the reference to those which are not a people. The foolish nation.

Historically, and as the prophets foretold, Israel became scattered throughout the nations. A situation arising out of disobedience and rebellion from God. Against this background of the above text, consider the role played by the Jewish influence in the events surrounding Waco. We know the role of the Jewish community in shaping world events. At Waco, one notable such organisation was the Cult Awareness Network (C.A.N.)
Isaiah 65:1-3 develops the theme of Deut 32:21, further. Note God being sought and found, by a people who asked not, nor sought for Him. A nation not called by His name. (verse 1) As a matter of fact it was He who found them. Note also the rebellious people, those who provoke Him to anger. (verse 2,3) The former group of verse 1, who are the foolish nation of Deut 32:21, are spoken of as the people to come by Ezra.[2 Esdras(Ezra) 1:33-37 NRSV]

Thus says the Lord Almighty: Your (Israel) house is desolate: I will drive you out as a wind driveth straw; and your sons will not have any children, because you have neglected my commandment and have done what is evil in my sight. I will give your house (The Kingdom) to a people that will come, who without having heard me will believe. Those to whom I have shown no signs will do what I have commanded. They have seen no prophets, yet will recall their former estate. I call to witness the gratitude of the people that is to come, whose children rejoice with gladness; thou they do not see me with bodily eyes, yet with the spirit they will believe the things I have said.

In Psalms 22, they are referred to as the congregation. The ones to whom the Lamb declares His Fathers name, and who He also calls His brethren. (verses 22, 25) Psalms 40, also refers to them as the congregation. Spoken to by the poor and needy, the one who comes in the volume of the book. His iniquities, said to be more than the hairs of His head. (verses 5-10, 12, 17) Note also verse 14, He has enemies who seek to destroy His soul, in contrast to His bodily life. Waco was a spiritual battle made manifest in the material. In Psalms 45, this people is identified with the King, as His fellows. (verse 7) They are brought to view in Zech 13:7; Isa 57:1,2; Mic 7:14; Dan 7:21,25; 8: 10-13,24,25; 11:33,34; 12:10, and else where. Psalms 89, is of particular importance. Note verses 13-18, in connection with the judgement of Rev 4ff, reference is made to a people that shall be exalted. Verses 28, 34, 39, brings to view the covenant. In Isa 55:3,4, one is introduced named David, who brings the everlasting covenant. He's described as a leader and commander to the people (and boy did He lead!). In Ezek 20:33-38, they again show up. So too is the process of their being brought under the rod, for purposes of bringing them into the bond of the covenant.

That, the scriptures speak of this people is abundantly clear. To deny this
would be to deny the Word, which amounts to denying Christ, who is the Word and God who sent Him. You will recall from 'Mt Carmel: The Unseen Reality,' the issue of the Judgement is not, in the first instance, what the Seven Seals teaches, but rather who is worthy to reveal it. We are in no doubts as to its contents and who revealed it. This places us in the picture of the people referred to in the above texts. Additionally our being able to testify to these things, is in itself a witness to our being the ones spoken of. This is no mere coincidence. I do however appreciate, that we live in a generation whose ability to perceive truth is virtually non existent. Further, whose knowledge and faith in the Word is nigh diminished. They require tangible proofs of a divine order, but do not fully appreciate the implication. But this too is to come.

In the meantime, Mt Carmel was the designated place. Its residents were to be the representatives of humanity, from this generation, to address this age long question. The materialisation of the events spoken of in the book of Revelation, namely the Kingdom of the Lamb; the subsequent new heaven and earth; the new Jerusalem, were dependant on our response to this question. A response made apparent through the tests.

The Scriptures state very clearly, 'Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.' The first of the 10 Commandments. (Ex 20:3) Christ amplified this commandment by stating, he that loves father, mother, sister, brother, wife, husband, son daughter, life, personal theories etc, more than Me is not worthy of Me. (Mt 10: 37-39; 15:18,9; 16:24-27; 22:35-40; Luke 10:25-28; 14: 26,33; Mt 6:24; 19:12; 2pPet 1:19-20). To place this temporal reality in all its forms (abstract and material) above God is evidently unacceptable. This is understandable given that it is just a shadow.

Mt Carmel was designed to give precedents to matters spiritual, rather than matters temporal. The soul rather than the body. There were many who came with inherited and cultivated tendencies relative to matters temporal. Mt Carmel was not designed to cater to these. Such were challenged to high levels of self-discipline in order to remain, or through want of fulfilling these tendencies, be drawn away by them. Both scenarios occurred.
Those who successfully passed the initial hurdles of inherited and cultivated
tendencies were to be proved further, Nebuchadnezzar's fiery furnace if you
will. For those who failed, it merely meant that, they excluded themselves
from the former group. In the further proving, the tests intensified. An
example would be the issue of wives and husbands. Among the deepest of all
temporal bonds (ropes). It is important to note here that, mankind's present
relationships and sexual habits, 'heterosexual' and otherwise are something
tolerated by God. They were crutches to enable man to conceptually appreci­
ate the divine family, and were to come to an end.(1 Cor 7:2,7,29; Mt 19:12;
1 John 3:9; Isa 56, 57) Without further elaboration, they were a shadow of
the reality, and not that reality. In any event, one might say, I love God
more than I love my wife or husband, but do we really? How does one know this
to be true? We can say we feel it in our hearts, but then love is not a feel­
ing. What happens when feelings change? Also let us not forget the deceit of
the human heart.(Jer 17:9) It requires proving. Indeed, it is certainly a
test to have God take your wife or husband away through death. But does this
thoroughly prove the ideal, as distinct from the material, of loving God above
your spouse? Certainly one can feel proud, ones faith has endured inspite of
God taking ones spouse in death. Nevertheless, is it not a more piercing test
were God to take your spouse whom you deeply love, and while yet still alive,
have him or her enter the bed chamber of another? Job, identified the signif­
icance of this.(Job 31; note verse 10) Would one continue to love God under
such circumstances? Would your faith endure? I think not, were your faith
based on a feeling. Here we seperate those who love God out of self-sacrific­
ing principle, from those who love Him out of feeling, or in theory.

Of a turth, God Himself was made to go through the above tests. It happened
when mankind, in Adam and Eve, chose to turn from God to Satan. We placed the
temporal(shadow) before the spiritual(real), and through having children,
perpetuated in them this evil. This was a slap in the face for God. Yet He
still loved us. He sent His son(Word) knowing He would be further abused, to
procure for us the opportunity of life, in place of death. In such actions
God has proved the depth of His love for us. It certainly not a feeling, were
it such, I doubt very much whether mankind would be still living today! Is it too much that we should be put through such tests?

By putting humanity (in the persons of His chosen representatives) through these tests, exercising them therein, and separating the true from the false, He was able to bring man back into the bond of His covenant. The test themselves, were conceptually drawn from the culture of this generation. They reflected what humanity does. Their fears, concerns, loves, hates, lusts, dreads etc. Categorically, the general focus of this generation centers around the stomach, genitals, and self display. The preoccupation with satisfying these lusts have shaped the economic and social structure of society. In the process people have become desensitised to the effects of over indulgence on matters spiritual. As a matter of fact, for a large class its existence is not even recognised. This state of things influenced the intensity of the tests. They had to be such that they effectively proved our hearts, bringing to the surface the truth of whether or not, our love for God was truly self sacrificing, or merely a pretentious deception arising from our carnality. By them such deceptions were made apparent, and the opportunity afforded to address them. Not all had to go through all the tests. They were specifically geared to personal need. Nevertheless, they were representative of the experience of the present carnality. We were truly proved and exercised in matters spiritual, perfecting our faith (spirit).

Having reached a particular place in the bonding of the covenant, we were allowed to be thrown back to the world. To see whether or not, through what it threw at us it could tear us from the covenant, our Garden of Eden experience if you will. This became our ultimate test. The threat of bullets, deception, torture, gasing, flames, imprisonment, betrayal, shame, humiliation, ostracisation and time, we have withstood. Bearing witness to the bond of the covenant. There is a greater depth to this, relative to issues in the divine realm. But it makes little sense elaborating further, if people cannot perceive what is thus far clearly revealed. It takes a mind that is spiritually aware, to discern the meaning of these things. Appreciating the truth of the Judgement and the Seven
Seals: (God’s giving of Himself to us, the replacing of our spirit with His) are pre-requisites to a proper understanding of these matters.

The agents of the BATF and FBI, further, the government they represented, lacked the necessary qualifications to perceive these things. So too did the media. Their long history of perverting the meaning of reality, manipulating the minds of the public, for purposes of economic and political ends, ill equipped them to discern the truth. For the most part, they didn’t seem to care. The truth of the meaning of reality is not determined by the subjective imagination of the human mind. Had these people the basic common decency to listen, they would not have given themselves over to the forces of darkness. The cruelty inflicted upon us, both by the government and the media (for which there’s a recompense) would not have occurred. We needn’t have gone through this final test. God was already satisfied with what we had thus far attained. Our subsequent steadfastness of faith, having nevertheless gone through this final test, proved we were already bonded. It therefore represents an open show of our victory. What we individually experienced is both personal and private, between us and our God.

We now have an experience with God, that is eternally unique to us. Our God is known to us and we to Him. He sits on a throne with a book in His hand, sealed with Seven Seals. So too is our brother, otherwise known as the Lamb, the only one accounted worthy to take the book and loose the seals off of it. Where then is the room for any humanly devised government.

Verily, the foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of man!