

11. The size of the Pivot “determines the direction” of historical up- or downtrends in a Client Nation’s history.
12. Pivot is “of crucial importance” to the Client Nation’s positive “development or success” of spiritual blessings both to advanced believers and blessing by association to the entire population.
13. Consequently, the presence of a strong, advancing Pivot is the essential and vital factor upon which the prosperity, safety, and freedom of the Client Nation depends.

### **Doctrine of the Pivot: Principles**

1. A small, stagnant, or shrinking Pivot is reflected by the historical downtrend of a Client Nation. A large and growing Pivot is indicated when the Client Nation enjoys maximum freedom, prosperity, and safety maintained by the underpinning of establishment integrity among its citizens.
2. All Pivots are made up of believers who have advanced to the sophisticated spiritual life. Their grace pipelines receive blessing that are exceedingly abundant and which also result in blessing by association to others.
3. Historical downtrends occur due to a shrinking Pivot whose spinoff moves through the stages of reversionism.
4. This downtrend is indicated by loss of establishment integrity and reflected by a fractured social structure, economic decline, misuse of the military, political corruption, and a general loss of personal integrity by the majority of the population.
5. These and other indicators are documented in what we refer to the Five Cycles of Discipline which are presented by Moses in Leviticus 26.

6. When divine discipline severely damages a Client Nation or removes it from history, the Pivot is always preserved. In essence, it takes on aspects of a Jewish Diaspora and functions as a surviving “remnant.”
7. When a Client Nation is in a historical downtrend, the Pivot is protected, but the Christian spinoff plus corrupted unbelievers are systematically destroyed.
8. This concept is brought out by the remaining Jewish remnant following the war with the Assyrians. The government was corrupt and the majority of the people were alcoholics involved in debauchery
9. Leviticus 28:1–8 describes the fall of Samaria, the capital of the Northern Kingdom. The reversionists are taken captive as Assyrian troops withdrew while the protected “remnant” stayed behind.
10. The destruction of the spinoff and the preservation of the “remnant” are described in Isaiah 28, the former an illustration of the current negative volition in the United States:

**Isaiah 28:1** - Woe to the arrogant wreath of the drunks of Ephraim. Woe to the fading garland flowers of its splendor of beauty [ **Samaria** ], which is at the head of the fertile valley of those who are overcome with wine!

11. The wreaths and garlands refer to the prosperity enjoyed by the people of the Northern Kingdom expressed by their Party-Time mentality.
12. The spinoff entertained themselves with constant drunkenness by imbibing wine and beer. Upon entering the venue they would have garlands of flowers placed upon their heads.
13. Alcoholism was widespread throughout the kingdom while Assyria’s armies approached the nation’s borders.

14. Alcoholism is problematic in the United States, but the current addiction that is in ascendency is heroin:

### What Is the Scope of Heroin Use in the United States?

According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, in 2012 about 669,000 Americans reported using heroin in the past year, a number that has been on the rise since 2007. This trend appears to be driven largely by young adults aged 18–25 among whom there have been the greatest increases. The number of people using heroin for the first time is unacceptably high, with 156,000 people starting heroin use in 2012, nearly double the number of people in 2006 (90,000). In contrast, heroin use has been declining among teens aged 12–17. Past-year heroin use among the Nation's 8th-, 10th-, and 12th-graders is at its lowest levels in the history of the Monitoring the Future survey, at less than 1 percent of those surveyed in all 3 grades from 2005 to 2013. The impact of heroin use is felt all across the US, with heroin being identified as the most or one of the most important drug abuse issues affecting several local regions from coast to coast.

Heroin use no longer predominates solely in urban areas. Several suburban and rural communities near Chicago and St. Louis report increasing amounts of heroin seized by officials as well as increasing numbers of overdose deaths due to heroin use. Heroin use is also on the rise in many urban areas among young adults aged 18-25. Individuals in this age group seeking treatment for heroin abuse increased from 11 percent of total admissions in 2008 to 26 percent in the first half of 2012.<sup>1</sup>

15. Rejection of truth, both establishment and biblical, is consistently found in societies that have lost the thought. The few left in the Northern Kingdom remaining loyal to the Torah and the prophets formed the remnant that would survive the assault of the Assyrians.

**Isaiah 28:2** - Behold, the Lord has a powerful and mighty scourge [ the Assyrian army commanded by Shalmaneser V ] who, like a violent storm of hailstones [ artillery ], a storm causing destruction [ such as a desert sandstorm ], like a violent storm of many overflowing waters [ total destruction ], he has left Assyria alone in the land by his hand. (EXT)

<sup>1</sup> National Institute on Drug Abuse, "What Is the Scope of Heroin Use in the United States?" November 2014, <http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/research-reports/heroin/scope-heroin-use-in-united-states> accessed December 10, 2015.

15. The Northern Kingdom suffered the fifth cycle of discipline which included a large number of Israelites to be taken as captives back to Nineveh.<sup>2</sup>
16. The Party Crowd had their drunken orgies interrupted by the advancing forces of the Assyrian army. Intoxicated or drug befuddled losers were easy prey for the swords or shackles of the enemy.

**Isaiah 28:3** - The arrogant crown<sup>3</sup> [ **flowered wreath** ] worn by the drunks of Ephraim [ **Northern Kingdom** ] is trodden under foot of the advancing infantry.

**v. 4** - The fading flower of its glorious beauty, which is on the top of the prosperous valley, has become like the first-ripe fig before summer. When Shalmaneser V sees it in his hand he shall devour it.

**v. 5** - In that day shall the Lord of the Armies will become a beautiful crown [ **in opposition to the crown of flowers on the heads of drunkards** ] and He will be for a diadem of beauty unto the remnant [ **שְׁאֵר** ] (*she'ar*): the surviving “pivot” ] of the people. (EXT)

<sup>2</sup> “Major portions of the population of ‘the ten tribes’ were exiled and exchanged with gentile settlers from Syria and Mesopotamia” (Chaim Herzog and Mordechai Gichon, *Battles of the Bible* [New York: Fall River Press, 1997], 198).

<sup>3</sup> Samaria was one of the most beautiful cities of the ancient world. It was built on a three-hundred-foot hill and all the way around was a great basin or valley called the plains of Sharon. On three sides are great mountain ranges and all very beautiful. Rising up out of the valley is this three-hundred-foot hill and on top is this beautiful city, which, as seen when approaching, looks like a crown on a head” (R. B. Thieme, Jr., *Isaiah* (Houston: R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 1962), MP3 536: Isaiah).