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A concise summary of significant developments in Israel and the world through a grounded Christian worldview.

Israel & Jerusalem

Strong U.S. support for Israel has been cited as one factor behind Republicans' poor performance in the midterm elections. Separately, an investigation found that Dr. Anil Kishen had a limited understanding of antisemitic tropes when he used cartoons depicting a figure bathing in money and another wrapped in an Israeli flag and being strangled to illustrate medical concepts. The episode underscores how imagery can reinforce antisemitic ideas even when presented in an ostensibly unrelated context. (BBC News; Al Jazeera; JNS)

President Isaac Herzog has warned politicians that "not every commitment and promise can be fulfilled" if they hope to avoid another election, signaling the pressures facing coalition negotiations and government formation. (BBC News; Al Jazeera)

Wars & Security (Israel and Region)

Northern Iraq faces intersecting security and political pressures. Iranian drone attacks have targeted Kurdish Iranian opposition groups, Iraqi forces are conducting operations against the Islamic State, and disputes over Sinjar are threatening local stability. In Israel, Arab voter turnout in the October 27 parliamentary election reached a record, nearly doubling the representation of Arab-led parties and potentially giving them significant influence in forming the next government. The Israel Defense Forces also reported 52 ceasefire violations by Hamas and other groups between October 16 and November 5. (Long War Journal; Long War Journal)

On November 3, Syrian security forces arrested members of an alleged Hezbollah-linked cell accused of plotting an attack on a refinery near Homs. The arrests are part of continuing efforts to disrupt Hezbollah networks and weapons smuggling since the fall of the Assad regime in December 2024. In Lebanon, the military prosecutor charged 13 people over an explosives shipment seized at Dahr al Baidar. The prosecution's allegations identify a supplier, intended recipient, vehicle owner, and members of the team

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accompanying the shipment. (Long War Journal; Long War Journal; FDD)

European and Canadian consumers are showing growing interest in Chinese-made solar panels and electric vehicles, despite concerns about the effects of Chinese competition on domestic manufacturing. (Chatham House)

Former Ukrainian prime minister Arseniy Yatsenyuk said China is not neutral in the war in Ukraine and argued that Ukraine's recovery of territory is unrealistic "right now." Separately, analysts considered how the U.S. midterm elections could reshape the country's political system and affect the final two years of President Donald Trump's term. (Chatham House; Chatham House)

Global Macro & Geopolitics

Paraguay's political crisis followed a banking scandal that brought down President Santiago Peña. Senators voted unanimously to remove him after the collapse of Ueno Bank left nearly three million customers unable to access their savings. Peña denies wrongdoing; the available report does not identify his successor. Meanwhile, Taiwan's local elections remain focused primarily on municipal issues rather than the question of independence or unification. (France24; The Diplomat)

Trafigura has been buying large volumes of copper to supply Asian customers as local inventories tighten. The purchases have contributed to a scramble for metal and pushed regional premiums for spot cargoes to record highs, illustrating the strategic importance of securing industrial inputs amid supply constraints. (Bloomberg)

Xi Jinping remains focused on strengthening loyalty and obedience more than a decade after taking the helm of the Chinese Communist Party, a political direction that risks constraining innovation. Russia, meanwhile, has moved to take control of additional Russian assets belonging to Japan Tobacco, widening seizures that sent the company's shares lower on Friday. (Bloomberg; Bloomberg)

AI Dominion, Deception & the Antichrist System

Lawsuits against Snap, Meta and Google are creating headwinds for tech companies just as artificial intelligence tools expand into classrooms (cnbc.com).

The U.S. is working on extraditing three suspects from Europe in a case involving more than $100 million in fraud from CEO impersonations. Soall and Hazan were arrested in

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Spain over the summer, while Sheetrit was arrested in the United Kingdom in September. The alleged fraud took place between 2024 and 2026 (therecord.media; The Guardian).

Police Scotland hosted a demonstration of live facial recognition (LFR) at its headquarters in Tulliallan this week as the country considers whether to introduce the technology. The Scottish Police Authority and the Scottish Biometrics Commissioner joined Police Scotland for the event and explored the potential of adopting LFR. Spanish facial recognition provider Herta Security is part of a consortium developing two artificial intelligence-based forensic investigation systems for Spain's National Police that combine biometric identification with crime scene evidence collection and analysis. The Forens IA Thot and Horus projects have a combined contract value of approximately €14 million including VAT, funded through Spain's Center for Technological Development and Innovation. (biometricupdate.com).

Pestilence & Global Health

Researchers have published the first coordinated guidelines for personalized phage therapy, which uses viruses that target and kill specific harmful bacteria. The guidance offers a framework for developing treatments against antibiotic-resistant infections while emphasizing careful clinical assessment and safe use. (ScienceDaily)

Johns Hopkins researchers have identified a possible mechanism linking the gut bacterium *Bacteroides fragilis* to colorectal cancer. The bacterium produces a toxin that damages the colon's protective lining, offering an explanation for how it may contribute to disease and helping clarify a question that has puzzled researchers for nearly two decades. (ScienceDaily)

Natural Disasters & Signs in the Heavens

The U.S. Geological Survey recorded a magnitude 1.5 earthquake near Livengood, Alaska, and a magnitude 5.5 earthquake near Hasaki, Japan. (USGS; USGS)

The Global Disaster Alert and Coordination System issued green forest-fire notifications in Australia and China. (GDACS; GDACS)

Middle Eastern Artifacts

Two publications by Paula Rut Zajac appeared in the Israel Antiquities Authority's journal, *Hadashot Arkheologiyot*, in October 2026. (Israel Antiquities Authority; Israel Antiquities

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Authority)

A discussion of two new books on ancient Israel considers how historical writing can engage with biblical accounts without simply retelling them. The authors describe the challenge of combining evidence and interpretation, including in a co-written work with Michael Grisanti on the early years of the divided kingdom and the reigns of Ahab and Jehoshaphat. (BiblePlaces; BiblePlaces)

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