

RUBEN ISRAEL IN THE NEWS

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Good News on the News

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gsAKWUArnBE>

Where In The World Is Ruben Israel?

Ruben Israel, has protested everything from the Mormons to Harley Davidson bike festivals. Below are just some of the examples we've found on the internet....."

<http://archive.glennbeck.com/news/10282003.shtml>

Preaching At Obama in Oslo

<http://www.abcnyheter.no/node/101090>

News Paper Article from Norway

<http://www.dagbladet.no/2009/12/10/nyheter/innenriks/obama/democrats/9441475/>

"You Never Get Excited Over Jesus Christ"

....Ruben Israel, 47, who said he lives in Los Angeles and had come to Washington with about 20 fellow preachers to protest the inauguration of Obama. "You guys need to grow up," said Colleen Wilde, a high school senior from Great Falls. "You think Jesus supports this? Today is about love and our country."....."

http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2009/01/19/politics/washingtonpost/main4735175.shtml?source=RSSattr=U.S._4735175

True believers outside Neverland voice perspectives on King of Pop

Michael Jackson critic Ruben Israel, left, from Los Angeles, argues with Jackson supporter Karen Manning, from Las Vegas, in front of the Santa Barbara County Courthouse in Santa Maria, on Monday. Associated Press photo by Jeff Chiu

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/object/article?o=5&f=/c/a/2005/06/14/MNG9PD88QU1.DTL>

Free Speech Hindered in Norway at the Nobel Peace Prize

<http://www.abcnyheter.no/node/101121?page=1>

The gay marriage divide

Ruben Israel of Los Angeles, right, confronts opponents of the same-sex marriage amendment to the Massachusetts constitution outside the statehouse in Boston in March"

http://www.sptimes.com/2004/08/01/Floridian/The_gay_marriage_divi.shtml

Christian denied permission to join 'gay' parade

"I see this as nothing but hypocrisy," said Ruben Israel, who has been at the Chicago event for seven previous years, protesting the homosexual lifestyle choice from the sidewalks.

This year he sought permission to participate, and was refused. He followed up with a statement making the accusation.

http://www.wnd.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=55961

Protestors swarm French Quarter for Decadence Festival

"And that is exactly what Ruben Israel and the other protestors say gives them as much right to be on this street as any other person or group. "Why can't we be just as bold with what we're doing just like they're doing?" Israel said...."

<http://www.wvltv.com/news/Protestors-swarm-French-Quarter-for-Decadence-Festival--102201179.html>

Ruben Israel preaching on DR.Phil regarding Prop 8

<http://vimeo.com/2329782>

As I See It Now

Hey Ruben, go for it man. Sue the pants off them(pun intended). You have perfectly hit the head of the nail. Gee, the media never thought that the gay movement was hypocritical. Politicians don't seem to think that the gay rights movement exhibits any hypocrisy

<http://asiseeitnow.townhall.com/Default.aspx?mode=post&g=306c9820-0e44-4a67-8443-6b3bc707c744>

Catholic Daily on Ruben Israel

<http://www.calcatholic.com/news/newsArticle.aspx?id=5aa8bc7e-785a-4882-9837-70a5b0a31977>

Drag queens, muscle boys, fundies, oh my!

We recognized the scumbag with the black "threat to national security" banner from his previous visits to our city.....and thanks to a captioned picture there, we can now give the scumbag a name. He calls himself Brother Ruben Israel, and he's apparently a leader in the group.....

http://www.williamsonpsp.com/chronicles/2007/11/06_pride.html

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<http://sharpiro.wordpress.com/2008/08/25/christian-side-show-freak-show/>

The Mormon Proposition

http://movies.yahoo.com/movie/1810129074/video;_ylc=X1MDNzgyMDYzOQRfcgMyBGxkA2JsZARtcANjbARwb3MDMTYxBHNIYwNjcwRzbGsDb3BlbmluZ1Byb2R1Y3Rpb25QaG90b3MxNjE-

Gallery: 56th Presidential Inaugural Opening Ceremony - Washington, D.C.

"Ruben Israel, of Los Angeles, right, yelled in an exchange with an angry passer by Sunday afternoon near the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Israel and other members of his group Bible Believers had come to protest the inauguration of President-elect Barack Obama...."

http://www.stateneews.com/index.php/gallery/56th_presidential_inaugural_opening_ceremony/31669

Christian Preacher Alleges Intolerance of Chicago Gay Parade

Ruben Israel in a story published today on WorldNetDaily. For the last seven years, Israel has protested "the homosexual lifestyle" from a spot on the sidewalk during Chicago's Pride parades. Israel asked to be allowed to march in this year's parade, scheduled for June 24, and was turned down

<http://www.edgeboston.com/index.php?ch=news&sc=gibt&sc2=news&sc3=&id=20799>

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<http://ldsphronistery.blogspot.com/2010/06/new-prop-8-documentary-creative.html>

Southern Decadence Under Way On Bourbon St. Locals, Businesses Want Action Against Protesters

".....Members of a group known as the Bible Believers said they'll fill Bourbon Street daily during Southern Decadence. The group said it wants to hammer home its message.

"I'm coming out of the closet New Orleans," said Bible Believer member Ruben Israel. "I'm in love with Jesus Christ, and his blood is not HIV positive. They have the freedom to be anything they want to. All we ask is for the same freedom to stand here and tell them they are an abomination before God.'....."

<http://www.wdsu.com/r/24883689/detail.html>

Ruben Israel, street preacher

".....His name is Ruben Israel, from Southern California and he is a self proclaimed Street Preacher. Since 1994 I have made his portrait at Mardi Gras....."

<http://strembicki.blogspot.com/2010/12/ruben-israel-street-preacher.html>

Why are straight Christians so dismissive of gay Christians?

"Reuben Israel says 'God abhors you'"

<http://www.gaychristian101.com/why-are-straight-christians-so-dismissive-of-gay-christians.html>

On the Route to the Concert, the Day's Joyous Vibe Goes Off-Message

"....Four men who called themselves street preachers had taken up occupation at the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and 17th Street, a strategic location for maximum impact. They used a bullhorn to shout to the passing crowds...."

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/01/18/AR2009011802822.html>

"I'd love to be Episcopalian, but..."

".....I'd love to be Episcopalian," Israel shouts to the exiting throng. "But people like (Bishop) Gene Robinson turns me off." Israel is a member of Bible Believers, a Los Angeles-based national organization dedicated to confrontational encounters, usually at the top of their lungs, with liberal-minded Christians or the non-churched in an attempt to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to them...."

http://www.virtueonline.org/portal/modules/news/article.php?storyid=10804&com_mode=thread&com_order=0&com_id=109176&com_rootid=109167

Street Preachers a bit more subdued

"...There are too many legalities up there," said Ruben Israel, gesturing toward the church-owned block of Main Street from a North Temple sidewalk across the intersection, "so we're here." Israel owns a construction company in Los Angeles and is a non-denominational Christian. He comes to Utah twice a year for the conferences and also in June for the Gay Pride Parade to preach that eternal salvation comes only through faith in Jesus Christ...."

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/595095704/Street-preachers-a-bit-more-subdued.html>

Pro-war protester

I came here to preach to the protesters.

http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/shared/spl/hi/pop_ups/03/americas_washington_anti_war_protest/html/5.stm

'Anti-Super Bowl' Sentiment Opposes 'Idolatry' Amidst Poverty & Crime & Poor Economy of Detroit/Michigan/Nation

"We will bring some experienced Street-Preachers into Detroit to protest this unbalanced idolatry, with banners all around Ford Field. America's foremost Street-Preacher, Ruben Israel Chavez, will lead the group of 35+ preachers. He's coming all the way from Los Angeles to do so...."

<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/anti-super-bowl-sentiment-opposes-idolatry-amidst-poverty--crime--poor-economy-of-detroitmichigannation-according-to-detroit-attorney-james-leonard-elsman-55193387.html>

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<http://www.edgeprovidence.com/index.php?ci=106&ch=news&sc=glbt&sc2=news&sc3=&id=23511&PHPSESSID=5f067ffd86251b43ad18e5dff2059f12>

On Soggy Day, a Cluster of Rainbows

One of the demonstrators, Ruben Israel, 43, said he had flown from Los Angeles for the event. He wore a tool belt holding a well-worn Bible and two small extension cords. He took out the cords and poked the two pronged ends together. "See, it doesn't work. Two men don't make a baby," he said to the sopping wet passersby who would listen.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/04/17/AR2006041701042.html>

Bright, sunny day warms up Columbus Pride

"Hurry up and get this parade moving. We have others to condemn too!" shouted Spingola associate Ruben Israel of Los Angeles, adding levity to both sides.

<http://www.gaypeopleschronicle.com/stories02/02jul5.htm>

New Year's Partiers, Preachers Clash in 'Sin City'

"This is an event we try to take advantage of because it's an opportunity to end and begin the new year saving souls," said preacher Ruben Israel of Los Angeles, who wore a yellow sandwich board that asked, "Are you born again?...."

<http://www.aolnews.com/2010/01/01/new-years-partiers-preachers-clash-in-sin-city/>

Religious Hate-Mongers Protest Bishop Gene Robinson's Participation at pre-Inaugural Concert at Lincoln Memorial

"Appearing at the primary public entrance to the pre-Inaugural concert at the Lincoln Memorial, representatives from a group calling itself "Brother Ruben and the Official Street Preachers" protested openly-gay Episcopal Gene Robinson's participation in the event....."

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/leah-mcelrath-renna/religious-hate-mongers-pr_b_158913.html

"Confrontational Evangelism" at Tampa Mosque

"....The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) today called on the FBI to investigate possible civil rights violations by a "biblical group" that allegedly harassed worshipers yesterday at a Florida mosque. The "Official Street Preachers" is led by Los Angeles-based Ruben Israel Chavez (often just named as "Ruben Israel"), who explains....."

<http://barthnotes.wordpress.com/2009/02/07/confrontational-evangelism-at-tampa-mosque/>

Loudly and colorfully, opposing sides debate Proposition 8

"....Across the broad, rain-damp plaza, Los Angeles contractor Ruben Israel held in his right hand a sign that declared "Homo-sex" a "threat to national security." In his left hand was a bullhorn. "If you think God is all-forgiving and loving and tolerant," he blared, "where was the tolerance from God when he destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah?....."

<http://articles.latimes.com/2009/mar/06/local/me-prop8-reax6>

Sin City Preacher

"...After the prayer meeting, we went to the strip to preach. Kevin did a pretty good job but I noticed a few areas where I thought I might help him. After a few days, we left Las Vegas and drove to Ruben Israel's home in Los Angeles. That evening we had a Bible study but Kevin and his friend did not quite seem up to our method of study. At 3:00 am, they looked like the disciples must have prior to the crucifixion, sound asleep on the carpet just as Ruben and I were getting to some of our most important points....."

<http://www.sincitypreacher.com/Kevin.html>

Thousands Protest Court's Same-Sex Marriage Ruling

"...Next to him was Ruben Israel, protesting same-sex marriages. Asked if he felt outnumbered by the crowd, he said, "We're actually the majority. Fortunately, the taxpayers and voters of this state work for a living and couldn't be here; so I'm here to represent them....."

<http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local-beat/5000-Protest-Court-Gay-Marriage-Ruling.html>

Hill supporters, death penalty opponents converge on prison

"....Only four men stood in the holding area urging the state to get on with the execution. "Paul Hill is not above the law," said Ruben Israel, 42, of Los Angeles. "And soon he will know what it means to face the wrath of God....."

<http://www.fadp.org/news/PensacolaNewsJournal-20030904.htm>

Prop 8 argued in State supreme court

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<http://tribes.tribenetwork.com/california-progressives/thread/2684193c-a4e6-4b0c-9a62-ba0f52c034a7>

Shocking Pride Displays

"...And while this man may seem like a fringe extremist, it is, in fact, [Ruben Israel](#), a man who has received [press mentions](#) from the mainstream "pro-family" groups and publications. The same Ruben Israel who WorldNetDaily just defended as a mere Christian, failing to mention things like his "God Abhors You" sign....."

http://www.goodasyou.org/good_as_you/2007/06/video_shocking_.html

Mill Street Nights

Mill Avenue had a strange visit today from a belligerent set of street preachers led by Ruben Israel. Amid his group, Israel brought five extremely well-girthed men, five large plastic signs, and one bullhorn. They stopped in front of the popular Mill Ave bar the Mill Cue Club—a place where other preachers have done a similar thing

<http://underthehills.blogspot.com/2010/11/mill-avenue-nights-saturday-november.html>

Many supporters, a few protesters as Harvey Milk opens

"...On the other side, holding an "Adam and Eve, Not Adam and Steve" banner, Ruben Israel, 43, a burly construction worker, flew in from L.A. for the counter-protest. "Because it's wrong," he said, asked why he'd come. "It goes against God's nature. So as Christians we come out here to warn against it.... Two male ends — you get no electricity. You need male and female..."

http://www.thevillager.com/villager_20/manysupportes.html

Speaker's Circle's biggest feud rages on

"...A preacher who calls himself Reuben Israel is a board member of Smock's School of Evangelism. He said he believes the provoking tactics work.

"Our method looks vicious, but we do care for the students," Israel said. "We do it for shock and awe. We're in the Jerry Springer era, and if there's no clash, the students will walk."

<http://www.themaneater.com/stories/2007/8/31/speaker-s-circle-s-biggest-feud-rages-on/>

Street protester bill yanked

"Street preacher Ruben Israel gestures to the "Got hate?" sign held by Gary Nelson in an exchange outside the LDS Church's Conference Center in 2004"

<http://www.deseretnews.com/article/600114547/Street-protester-bill-yanked.html>

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<http://www.edgeboston.com/index.php?ch=news&sc=gibt&sc2=news&sc3=&id=23511>

Tense times in political battlefield

"...According to members of the group Recreate '68, Garcia was arrested after he objected to police allowing a rival group, the Bible Believers and co-founder Ruben Israel, to use the Civic Center Park during a time when Recreate '68 had a permit to gather there...."

<http://www.aspentimes.com/article/20080827/NEWS/808269948>

DNC fills Denver with excitement

"...That's where dozens of police officers in full riot gear surrounded a contentious encounter between a group of men calling themselves Open Air Preachers and those offended by their anti-gay views and signs. "You, as a homosexual, are an abomination before God," Ruben Israel, of Los Angeles, shouted at a gay man he was arguing with...."

http://www.craigdailypress.com/news/2008/aug/26/dnc_fills_denver_excitement/

Re-create 68 Alliance: 'Whatever happens happens'

"....Ruben Israel of Los Angeles, Calif., left, gets into a verbal altercation with Renee Sandefer of Denver, center and others at the Civic Center Park. The group the Backbone Campaign was about to hold a parade when Israel showed up....."

<http://www.rockymountainnews.com/news/2008/aug/26/re-create-68-alliance-holds-press-conference/>

VIDEO – HOMO SEX IS SIN

"a must see video"

<http://www.foundingbloggers.com/wordpress/2008/08/video-homo-sex-is-sin-ii/>

Cops break up protest confrontation in Park

"....The man who was confronted, Ruben Israel of the Los Angeles chapter of Bible Believers, said one of the protesters cut the cord of his megaphone and got in his face before the police moved in. "If he hit me, I didn't feel it," Israel said. "But then again, I have a hard head." Israel said the protester who confronted him should be prosecuted....."

<http://www.rockymountainnews.com/news/2008/aug/26/cops-break-protest-confrontation-park/>

Students confront aggressive preachers

"Preaching leads to small conversations that are life changing and key," said Ruben Israel, a preacher from the Los Angeles chapter of Bible Believers and a follower of Campus Ministry U.S.A. "We've led everyone to the Lord. Now it's up to them." The School of Evangelism seminar ends today as the preachers move on to other universities around the country, but they could return to MU throughout the year....."

<http://www.themaneater.com/stories/2005/9/9/students-confront-aggressive-preachers/>

Preachers claim UNLV limiting free speech

"....The six campus preachers making the claims are local and national preachers, some of whom travel to college campuses around the country speaking about Christianity or the Bible. They are claiming that UNLV officials are limiting their ability to practice free speech by corralling them into zones on the campus designated for "free speech" activities.

"Basically, on a college campus, free speech should be paramount," preacher Ruben Israel said on Tuesday. "In about five years, the UNLV free speech area is going to be in Henderson." Israel said he is considering bringing up a civil lawsuit against UNLV to get "recognition" of the issue and "to allow free speech areas not to be squelched."

<http://www.lasvegassun.com/news/2004/dec/08/preachers-claim-unlv-limiting-free-speech/>

UF Campus Preachers

"....Since the first installment of this review, replete with a picture index and the emails and webpages of five of our infamous UF campus preachers, I have had phone interviews with [Brother Jed](#) and [Ruben Israel](#), and compiled more information to report...."

<http://www.gatorfreethought.org/2007/01/uf-campus-preachers-review-part-2.html>

Part 2: God, Bless the Street Preacher

"....I've written out a short prayer while thinking about Ruben Israel (above) as he was at the pride parade in Chicago last year and will most likely be there again this weekend. If you have a minute, take the time to read and say the prayer with me. If you can't bring yourself to pray for Ruben or street preachers in general...."

<http://www.loveisorientation.com/2010/part-2-god-bless-the-street-preacher/>

Street preachers obey new laws, present many new voices

"...This year, street preacher Ruben Israel brought a pair of the sacred garments and had them strung between two signs as he yelled his beliefs toward passersby.

"You've denied the blood of Jesus Christ! You've denied the Bible!" Israel yelled. "Shame on you! You drank the Kool-Aid here in Salt Lake City!"

<http://www.usstatesman.com/2.5353/street-preachers-obey-new-laws-present-many-new-voices-1.567536>

The invisible, inaudible Bishop Gene Robinson

"...Leah McElrath Renna [at HuffPost reports](http://www.huffpost.com) that some fundies showed up to protest Robinson's appearance. These folks were "Brother Ruben and the Official Street Preachers" since they didn't even bother to come up with original signs....."

<http://www.pamshouseblend.com/showDiary.do?diaryId=9096>

Street-Preachers: Solicitors of Free Thought in New York City

".....Perhaps this is part of the reason street preachers experience relative success among the public. In my conversation with Ruben Israel, a street preacher from the West Coast who has been preaching for thirty years, he asserted that he has had strangers approach him and tell him, "Fifteen years ago I saw you on the street. I actually went home and gave my heart to the Lord" (Israel). Israel attests that he has received "hundreds of testimonies" from people whose lives he has changed by street preaching, people who heard what he preached and went home to think about what he had said (Israel). As Ruben explains it, preaching on the street is like being in a courtroom and having the judge tell the jury, "Disregard what the lawyer just said;" it's nearly impossible to ignore what was heard. Similarly, when a person walks down the street and hears a street preacher, she can't completely tune out the preacher. The street preachers hope she will reflect upon their gospel and ultimately share their beliefs....."

<http://www.xcp.bfn.org/sovereign.html>

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Religious protests shouldn't be grounds for eliminating free speech zones:

".....As for Biblical grounds for their crusade, he cited John 7:7 and Isaiah 58:1, which say respectively, "The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that what it does is evil" and "Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet. Declare to my people their rebellion and to the house of Jacob their sins."....."

<http://www.gsusignal.com/perspectives/religious-protests-shouldn-t-be-grounds-for-eliminating-free-speech-zones-1.2050712#5>

Kristne demonstranter hetser Obama:

Preaching against Obama in Norway as he ets the Nobell Peace Prize

<http://www.dagbladet.no/2009/12/10/nyheter/innenriks/obama/democrats/9441475/>

Oslo attempt to shut down preachers fails

"...Keffer, whose previous arrests came while he was working with Norwegian evangelist Petar Keseljevic and whose cases still are being challenged, was working with other American evangelists, including Keseljevic, Ruben Israel and Larry Craft this week in Oslo....."

<http://www.wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=119025>

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Conference Weekend

".....By far, my favorite protestor is Ruben Israel, a painting contractor from Southern California. I've been following Ruben's proselytizing efforts for several years now, and though I don't agree with his assertions about Mormonism, I respect him for his courage to preach repentance every year amongst the revelers at Mardi Gras, Las Vegas, and other such places....."

<http://transition3.blogspot.com/2008/10/conference.html>