

EZEKIEL

38

WAR

JUST AHEAD



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**PROPHECY:
INVASION AGAINST ISRAEL**

"The word of the Lord came to me: 'Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal; prophesy against him and say : ' This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. I will turn you around, put hooks in your jaws and bring you out with your whole army—your horses, your horsemen fully armed, and a great horde with large and small shields, all of them brandishing their swords. Persia, Cush and Put will be with them, all with shields and helmets, also Gomer with all their troops and Beth Togarmah from the far north with all their troops—the many nations with you'" (Ezekiel 38:1-6).

"This is what the Sovereign Lord says: On that day thoughts will come into your mind and you will devise an evil scheme. You will say, 'I will invade a land of unwalled villages; I will attack a peaceful and unsuspecting people—all of them living without walls and without gates and bars'" (Ezekiel 38:10-11).

"To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have obtained cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereon, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? Hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? To carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?" (Ezekiel 38:12-13)

"And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone" (Ezekiel 38:22).

"And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the LORD" (Ezekiel 39:6).

Listed below are the nations which will attack Israel from Ezekiel chapter 38 and their modern day names. The map shows nations attacking Israel. It has been accepted for years that Russia would be the leader of Ezekiel invasion. However, after watching current events and seeing a speech given recently by Turkish President Erdogan, I went back and took a deeper look at the nations listed and, believe a Turkish leader will be the Gog Ezekiel speaks about. One reason why I believe Turkey will lead the attack and not Russia is because historical prophetic studies followed the MIGRATION of people- not where they were when Ezekiel wrote his prophecy! From the verse above where God says "and all the nations with you" it is possible that Russia may still play a part in the form of military support and supplying weapons. However, it is important to identify where the people were when Ezekiel wrote his prophecy and that was Turkey. Since Russia has aligned itself with most of the nations in Ezekiel 38 one may conclude Russia will also be one of those many nations.

Gog in Ezekiel 38:1 is the leader of a massive invasion of Israel and, Magog is the nation Gog is from which in this case appears to be Modern day Turkey.

Persia is Iran, parts of northern Iraq, and Afghanistan.

Cush is Ethiopia and Sudan.

Put is Libya and will most likely include Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco.

Gomer is Eastern Turkey. In Genesis 10:2 it says, “ The sons of Japheth: **Gomer** , and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras. Children of Ashkenaz were originally identified with the Scythians (Assyrian *Ishkuza*), then after the 11th century, with Germany. This is why some bible teachers teach Germany could be Gomer.

Togarmah: In biblical times Turkey was actually divided up into four parts which were Meshech, Tubal, Gomer, and Togarmah and, in our generation this area is known as present day Turkey and, it may also include Armenia .

Ezekiel 38: “the many nations with you” Russia will no doubt be included as a result of all their treaties with the nations listed in the Ezekiel 38 war.



FULFILLMENT:

I promise you right from the start that if you read this entire chapter, you will be blown away by the proof. There will be no doubt in your mind another major war against Israel is just around the corner. There will be no doubt that you will know exactly what will happen before it actually takes place, and you will know how to prepare your family.

In this section I start my timeline in 2006. There are hundreds of news reports giving warnings another Middle East war is coming against Israel. I was going to conclude this chapter with the following report, but the comparison to current events and Ezekiel's prophecy are so similar I decided to start this chapter with the following report. I quote, “Similarities between Ezekiel's prophecies, today's Mideast reality uncanny.” The first paragraph in the report says, "Current world events are beginning to increasingly resemble the 2,500 year old bible prophecy made by Ezekiel in chapters 38-39. Ezekiel foresaw the rise of Russia (or **Turkey** , depending on the interpretation) in a coalition with Iran and other Middle Eastern countries (Sudan, Ethiopia and Libya)" (Ynetnews Dec. 10, 2006). I suggest you read the entire report so go to the Internet and click on to the site below:

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3338175,00.html>.

In the very near future, all the nations mentioned in the prophecy above will join forces and once more try to recapture the holy city of Jerusalem. The invading armies will have one purpose in mind: to destroy the state of Israel forever, taking all the spoils that Israel has gotten since becoming a nation again in 1948. The Word of God tells us that Russia will lead specific nations against Israel in the last days. At the end of the day, when the battle is over, 5/6 of all the invading armies will be killed. Israel will not be destroyed because God will come to her rescue! Believe me when the attack happens, every news agency in the world will be covering this short-lived war. One important fact to remember is this: all the nations which are prophesied to attack Israel are Muslim. Even though these invading armies don't share the same ethnology or the same geographic locations, they all have many things in common. They are, as I said, of the Islamic faith; they have a zealous hatred for Israel, and many of these nations listed are nations in need of food and supplies. Ezekiel told us in Ezekiel 38:12 one of the reasons for the attack is to take Israel's cattle and goods.

In the 38th chapter of Ezekiel, we are told by God an attack would come against Israel in the last days. This future attack will come at a time when Israel does not have any walls, gates, or bars. In other words, the attack will come at a time when Israel will feel secure. "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: On that day thoughts will come into your mind and you will devise an evil scheme. You will say, 'I will invade a land of unwalled villages;' "I will attack a peaceful and unsuspecting people—all of them living without walls and without gates and bars" (Ezekiel 38:10-11).

At this time I am going to jump from my time from 2006, to 2020. Why? On September 15, 2020 there was a major news event that no doubt points to why Israel will feel safe enough to have no walls, gates, or bars for protection as seen in Ezekiel 38: 10-11. Jarad Kushner working under President Donald Trump for the past three and a half years managed to bring many Islamic nations to the peace table with Israel. The Times Of Israel September 1, 2020 reported the following. "Senior White House adviser Jared Kushner predicted Tuesday that all other Arab countries will gradually follow the United Arab Emirates in normalizing ties with Israel, causing the "vocal minority" that opposes the move to become increasingly isolated in the region. Asked in an [interview](#) with the UAE's WAM news agency whether he believed all [22 Arab states](#) could eventually recognize Israel, US President Donald Trump's son-in-law replied: "100 percent."

Photo from The Times Of Israel

Kushner: 100% possible, and logical, for all 22 Arab states to recognize Israel

Concluding historic US-Israeli visit to Abu Dhabi, White House adviser says the 'vocal minority' against UAE's normalization with Israel will become more isolated

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US President Donald Trump's senior adviser Jared Kushner, center, stands with US National Security Advisor Robert O'Brien while speaking to journalists during a flight on an Israeli El Al plane to Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Monday, Aug. 31, 2020. (Nir Elias/Pool Photo via AP)

Two weeks after Kushner stated he believes all 22 Arab states will sign a peace deal with Israel the first group of Arab nations signed the peace deal called The Abraham Accords with Israel. I quote, "President Donald Trump on Tuesday hosted a historic signing ceremony for the Abraham Accords brokered by his administration, formally normalizing diplomatic relations between Israel and a pair of Arab states. "We're here this afternoon to change the course of history. After decades of division and conflict, we mark the dawn of a new Middle East," Trump said in a [speech](#) delivered from a White House balcony, addressing a roughly 200-person crowd of domestic and foreign officials gathered on the South Lawn. The president was joined by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the foreign ministers of the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, the two Arab states entering into the normalization pact with Israel" ([Politico](#), Sept. 15, 2020). Photo from Alex Wong/Getty Images.

'The dawn of a new Middle East': Trump celebrates Abraham Accords with White House signing ceremony

The president also predicted the Palestinians "will come to the table" to negotiate a peace deal with Israel.



The day after Israel signed the peace agreement with the many Arab nations at the White House [The Times Of Israel](#) reported that "US President Donald Trump said Tuesday he expected Saudi Arabia to normalize relations with Israel following the diplomatic move taken by Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates at a White House ceremony earlier. Hours after saying some five or six countries were on the path to peace with Israel, Trump on Tuesday afternoon revised that number to up to nine nations (Sept. 16, 2020). Photo below from [The Times Of Israel](#).

Trump says Saudi Arabia among 7-9 countries expected to make peace with Israel

US president says he spoke with the Saudi king and normalization will come 'at the right time,' earlier said 5-6 more countries on path to formal ties with Israel

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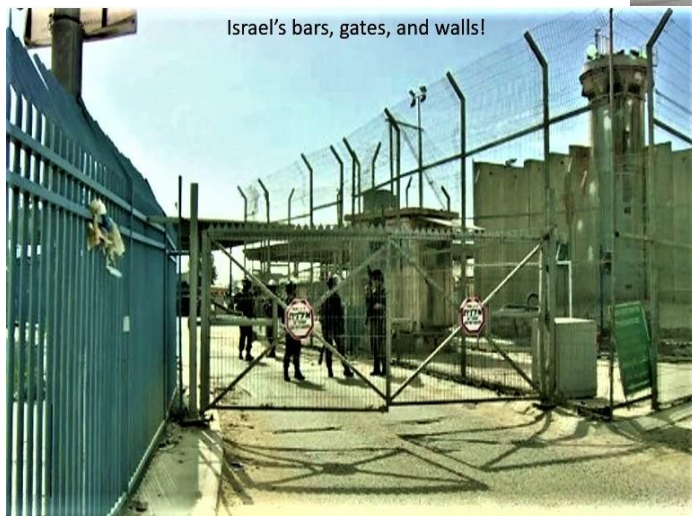


US President Donald Trump speaks with reporters as he walks to Marine One on the South Lawn of the White House, Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020, in Washington. Trump is en route to Philadelphia. (AP Photo/Alex Brandon)

One by one the nations who were not friendly with Israel are following the lead by the UAE and moving toward peace with Israel. I quote a section taken from the [Baghdad Post](#). "Iraqi Sunni politician and the leader of Ummah Party, Mithal al- Alusi , has called for the normalization of ties between Iraq and Israel after two Gulf states made the move in the past few weeks. Alusi , who is known for his pro-West political views, told al-Shafaq News on Saturday that he supports the UAE and Bahrain for their decision to open a new chapter with Israel and normalize their ties" (Sept. 12, 2020). Let us not forget just recently the headline to a [Jerusalem Post](#) on September 6, 2020 read as follows. " Kosovo, Serbia to formalize ties with Israel, open JLM embassy." "Kosovo will be the first Muslim-majority country to open an embassy in Jerusalem. As I said during the last days, the circle of peace and recognition of Israel is expanding with more countries expected to join," Netanyahu said" (ibid).

The Abraham Accords peace deal is the perfect set up for Israel who will be a peaceful and unsuspecting people—all of them living without walls and without gates and bars as Ezekiel warned to be attacked. The Abraham Accords is probably one of the most important last days signs since the rebirth of the nation Israel in 1948.

The prophet Ezekiel was given specific details on this coming attack. In verse 8 of Ezekiel 38, God says an attack will occur in the "future years." This statement refers to end times or at the time Israel is a young nation again. It is important to remember the attack will come against Israel when all the other prophecies are also being fulfilled at the same time, which they are now. So as warned by Ezekiel get ready to witness Israel remove the walls, gates and bars that are currently standing.



What else did Ezekiel warn us about? "Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereon, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? Hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? To carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?" (Ezekiel 38:13) As the attack begins, we see specific nations that are mentioned which only give their formal protest against the invading armies. The nations which give their formal protest are not engaged in the battle. Sheba and Dedan in verse 13 are modern day Saudi Arabia. Great Britain is what is referred to in the Old Testament as Tarshish. The nations that broke away from Great Britain are the United States, Canada, and Australia; These nations are considered the young lions of Tarshish or Great Britain in modern day terms. Look up the coat of arms for Great Britain; it is the lion.

Ezekiel Chapter 38:13 tells us that Great Britain, which is the lion, the United States, Canada, and Australia, which are the young lions are in the area of Saudi Arabia at the time the attack against Israel breaks out. These nations will do nothing to help Israel except to give their formal protest to the massive invasion. Are these nations in the area right now? Yes, they are. When the United States attacked Iraq in 2004, the nations

which joined forces with America were Great Britain, Canada, and Australia. These nations are still in Iraq today, and they have military bases in Saudi Arabia. When the attack against Israel begins, there will be millions of men who attack Israel. America and its allies will not be able to do anything to help Israel; all they will be able to do is give their protest. Now that we know who will not help Israel when she is attacked, let us review which nations are listed that will attack Israel.

Old Testament names of the invading nations against Israel were different from what they are called today; however they are the same nations which exist today. Meshech and Tubal in verses 2 and 3 were the names of the sixth and fifth sons of Japheth, the son of Noah (Genesis 10:2). These descendants made their way into what is now modern day Russia. Gog is the leader, or their "Chief Prince," of Meshech and Tubal. Gog, this "Chief Prince," will lead this army against Israel. Who is Magog? Leading Bible scholars say this is Turkey. The Roman historian Josephus said the "Magogites" were the people whom the Greeks called "Scythians." Scythians were a fierce, blood-thirsty civilization that settled north of the Baltic Sea in what is now Russia and the European republics of the former USSR. In Ezekiel 38:6,15 and 39:2, the prophet makes it clear the attack would come from the "north." Directly north of Israel is Turkey. Here are the breakdowns of the rest of the names mentioned in Ezekiel 38, which will join Turkey in the attack. These nations are: Persia, which is mainly modern day Iran, parts of northern Iraq, and Afghanistan and Cush, which is Ethiopia and Sudan. Bible history reveals Ethiopia was located to the south of Egypt, extending through the junction of the White and Blue Nile including, and beyond, what is today Sudan. The Hebrew word for Ethiopia is Cush. When you study the table of nations listed in Genesis chapter 10, you will learn Ham's oldest son was named Cush. We know Ham's son Cush inhabited Ethiopia, and in our present day, this would encompass both modern day Ethiopia and Sudan.

Turkey: Togarmah was the second son of Gomer; his descendants occupied eastern and northern Turkey, and they occupied Southern Russia, which used to be comprised of many small nations such as Armenia. Present day Armenians still call themselves the house of Togarmah. Keep in mind, Armenia is a former republic of the Soviet Union (Russia) and will come against Israel with Russia and Russia's allies listed in Ezekiel 38. How does Turkey fit into this coming attack? Turkey has a big dependency on gas from Russia and Iran. An example of one such treaty Turkey signed was a gas pact with Iran in 1996. The gas pact was a snub at the United States since the US had placed sanctions on Iran. The report in The Star newspaper explains how the gas pact snubbed the US "The agreement is in defiance of US legislation which punishes companies investing in the oil or gas industries of Libya and Iran" (The Star Aug. 12, 1996 p.A10).

Strains between the United States and Turkey also occurred in September of 1998. Turkey surprised the US when announcing it was renewing relations with Iraq. Turkey increased the rift between the US and itself in 2003 when it announced its refusal to allow the US to use its military bases for any new attacks against Iraq. Back in July 1998, Turkey openly scorned the UN sanctions against Iraq when Turkey legalized the sale of Iraqi fuel to its country. Turkey began to smuggle Iraqi fuel out of its southeastern neighbor by using Turkish truck drivers. Turkey has been friendly in the international community. She is a member of NATO, has a trade agreement with the European Union, and has been trying to become a full member of the EU. Turkey, over the last few years, has even had a military alliance with Israel, but that alliance as of late is falling apart. Information provided by AIN-AL-TAQEEN stated, "The strategic military alliance between Turkey and Israel is becoming stronger by the day, although the Turkish leaders know only too well that Israel, especially under the rule of Netanyahu, is the biggest enemy of Muslims and Arabs" (Jan. 28, 1998). In 2004, "When Turkish prime minister Tayyip Erdogan visited Tehran in late June, he was informed in no uncertain terms by spiritual ruler Ali Khamenei and president Mohammed Khatami that if he wants good relations with the Iranian regime with concomitant economic benefits, such as cheap oil and gas, he must end Turkey's military ties with Israel. Erdogan agreed to bar Turkish air space to Israeli warplanes stationed in Turkey or incoming from Israel for use as a corridor for striking Iranian nuclear and military installations. The Turkish prime minister did not inform either Jerusalem or Washington of this step away from Turkish-

Israel military understandings, although it effectively robbed both the US and Israel of Israel's key strategic deterrent card against Iran and Syria" (DEBKAFil e August 22, 2004).

Even though Turkey wants to appear to the world as a western nation, it will always be an Islamic nation. When the attack comes against Israel, Turkey will turn on Israel and join its Islamic brothers in the attempt to wipe out the Jewish state. How do I know this for sure? First of all , everything God told us would happen is in fact happening. Second, look at how the nation Turkey reacted to the cartoon of its Prophet Mohammed in February of 2006. In February protests against the cartoons had been tapering off in many Arab countries while escalating in Pakistan, Germany, and Turkey. In 2009 we currently see political parties that support opposition to Israel. We see the establishment of a Turkish Islamic Republic and the worldwide rule of Islam. God has been giving signs how the Islamic nations are coming together.

In November of 2007 Turkey and Iran became even closer friends. According to a report out of Ankara, "Turkey will sign further energy agreements with neighboring Iran, including natural gas deals, Turkish Energy Minister Hilmi Guler said on Tuesday, defying US pressure on its allies to avoid such ties with Tehran. Guler was speaking after Ankara and Tehran signed a \$1.5 billion agreement for the upgrading of existing power transmission lines and construction of a fresh line between the two nations" (Reuters Nov. 20, 2007). All these new friendship deals will come into play when these nations join together to attack Israel.

In 2005 PINR news gave us a peak at the influence Russia is having with its allies, even allies who have disagreements with each other. In their report entitled, " Turkish-Russian Relations: Implications for Eurasia's Geopolitics," PINR reports, "One other important area of contention is Turkish-Armenian relations, which are held hostage to historical entities and Turkey's pro-Azerbaijan policies in the Caucasus. Currently, Russia is the main ally of Armenia, and possible Russian mediation between Turkey and Armenia on a number of issues can be expected. Following recent positive developments on this front, there may be Russian-Turkish joint attempts to solve the Armenian-Azerbaijani conflict. Conclusion By looking at the current developments, it can be concluded that Turkish-Russian relations will improve in the political, economic and security realms" (Feb. 9, 2005). Is there any wonder why Russia, Turkey, and the Armenians are all becoming close friends? It only stands to reason that if God warned all three nations would attack Israel in the last days that this friendship between these nations would become closer.

Turkey, as you can see, is friends with Russia, Iran, and Iraq, which all happened to be named in the coming attack on Israel. Also, in Turkey, as of January 2007, more than 99 percent of the population is Muslim, mostly Sunni. Here is another fact. When President Bush gave the orders to attack Iraq in 2003, Turkey was supposed to be our ally. When it came time for our troops to make an assault from the north through Turkey, the Turkish Government told Bush our troops would not get permission to land. As a result, our ships had to leave port and take another route. During the Iraqi war of 2003, the US also learned Syria, Iran, and Russia were sending arms to Saddam. As a matter of fact, President Putin was one of the world leaders who sided with Saddam and kept telling Bush not to attack Iraq. The AP stated, "Russia is putting American troops at risk by selling antitank guided missiles, jamming devices and night-vision goggles to Iraq, the administration said Monday as President Bush called Vladimir Putin to express US complaints" (AP Lomoc Record March 25, 2003). Since 2004 the relationship between Russia and Turkey has strengthened. Columnist Ibrahim Kalin provides us with some important information. Kalin reports, "The number of Muslims in Russia is almost the size of the total number of Muslims living in Europe. That the majority of these Muslims are also of Turkish decent makes Russia of particular importance for Turkey. Furthermore, trade relations between Turkey and Russia have gone through the roof in recent years" (Today's Zaman Feb.28, 2007). The Al-Jazeera on February 14, 2007 reinforced Kalin's report by writing the following: "Historical enemies Russia and Turkey have made up and have booming economic exchanges. In 2004, trade between Turkey and Russia was worth some \$11 billion. By the end of August 2005, this figure reached almost \$10 billion, and it is expected by both Moscow and Ankara news to increase to \$25 billion

by 2007" ([EurActiv](#) Jan. 12, 2005). The [RIA Novosti](#) Russian News & Information agency reported, "Moscow Trade between Russia and Turkey has more than tripled in five years, to reach \$15.2 billion in 2005, Russia's trade chamber said Thursday. Russia is the second largest importer to Turkey (9.3%), and ranks eighth as an export destination for Turkish goods (2.9%). Russian investments in Turkey stood at \$200 billion in 2005" (June 29, 2006). In October 2007 we saw Iran and Turkey formed an alliance to fight the Kurds in Northern Iraq. Once again the handwriting is on the wall. These nations have become stronger allies, and once the attack on Israel begins, they will fight along side each other just as God warned they would. This is what [Newsmax](#) had to say about this new alliance. "US ally Turkey and US arch-enemy Iran have formed a military alliance to drive opposition Kurds from bases in northern Iraq they have used since 2004 to launch guerrilla operations inside Iran, rebel leaders told Newsmax at a secret base in the Qandil mountains. Both Iran and Turkey have vowed to send troops into northern Iraq, but until now evidence of **active military cooperation** between them has remained a closely-held secret" ([Newsmax.com](#) Oct. 15, 2007).

Turkey and Iran joined their forces again in June 2008 as they went after the Kurds in Northern Iraq. [The Jerusalem Post](#) stated, "Turkey and Iran have been carrying out coordinated strikes against Kurdish rebels based in northern Iraq, a top general told media Thursday in the first military confirmation of Iranian-Turkish cooperation in the fight against separatists there" (June 5, 2008). Not only have Iran and Turkey made a new military alliance, but they just recently made energy ties between the two nations as well. Since June 2008, Turkey has gotten much closer to Iran. According to [IranMania current affairs](#), The "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad will return to Turkey late in August and diplomatic sources in Ankara have declared that a date for the visit will be set soon" (July 27, 2008). Anytime the nations listed in Ezekiel 38 form new alliances with each other, I pay close attention. Not only has Turkey gotten very close with Iran, but it has also recently gotten very close with Iraq. As you now know, Iraq is another nation on the Ezekiel ready to attack Israel. Headlines in the [HotNewsTurkey.com](#) read as follows : " Turkish and Iraqi prime ministers call for stronger ties in ' **historical**' visit. " The Turkish report stated, "Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan and his Iraqi counterpart Nouri al-Maliki agreed to strengthen mutual political and economic relations in a meeting in Baghdad, referred to as 'historical' by both leaders. Erdogan, who paid his first official visit to Iraq, is the first Turkish prime minister to visit Iraq after 18 years" (July 11, 2008). The Russians and Turks are forming a close relationship just as we see in the Ezekiel prophecy. "According to the Russian Defense Ministry, Serdyukov will discuss with his Turkish counterpart, Vecdi Gonul , issues of bilateral military -technical cooperation, joint efforts to fight terrorism, stability in the Black Sea region, and European security" ([RIA Russian News & Information agency](#) Nov. 11, 2008). Here is the point: every nation God has listed in Ezekiel 38 is joined together as one.

At the end of 2008 when Israel attacked the PLO and Hamas in Gaza, it not only damaged relations even more with Syria, but it also split relations that were once friendly between Turkey and Israel. "Israel's Gaza offensive has created fractures in the Israeli-Turkish alliance and deepened ties between Ankara and Tehran in what analysts fear could be the start of a major realignment in the region" ([The Washington Times](#) Jan 22, 2009). This realignment we just read about had to have taken place. Since God showed us Turkey would join Russia in the invasion against Israel, we knew something had to happen to cause these two nations to part ways. Now that the Gaza war is over, we know that it was this event that dissolved the Israeli-Turkish friendship. Since the Gaza war, Turkey has launched a new campaign of hatred toward Israel.

Recently, "Israel has conveyed its misgivings to Turkey over a planned visit to the country by Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, an Israeli diplomat said Friday. 'We are concerned about this visit because we think it is not the appropriate time to host the Iranian president,' the diplomat, who asked not to be named, told AFP" ([Yahoo News](#) Aug. 8, 2008). Let me give it to you straight: Israel doesn't like the fact Turkey is showing signs of friendship with Iran. However, all Turkey is doing is fulfilling what God said would take place in the end times. God said Turkey would join with Iran to attack Israel. If we are near the Ezekiel war, Turkey has to show signs of being friends with Iran, and it is!

This past January, leaders of nations around the world met in Davos, Switzerland to talk about the global economic crisis. It was during this conference that the leaders of Israel and Turkey went head to head . "Turkey's Prime Minister returned home to a hero's welcome this morning after storming off stage at the World Economic Forum in Davos during a heated spat over Israel's assault on Gaza. In the most dramatic moment of this year's muted Davos conference, Recep Tayyip Erdogan walked off a panel discussion including Shimon Peres and Ban Ki-Moon after a moderator cut off his reply to a long and impassioned monologue by the Israeli President. Mr Erdogan gathered up his belongings and marched off stage, red-faced, shouting that he would not return to Davos again as he had not been allowed to speak. Around 3,000 supporters gathered at Istanbul's airport in the early morning, waving red and white Turkish flags and banners reading 'Conqueror of Davos' as Mr Erdogan's flight back from Davos landed." The report also stated, "Some carried banners denouncing Israel, a worrying development for a state that counts Turkey as its closest ally in the Muslim world and relies on its role as an intermediary between it and traditional enemies such as Syria" (business.timesonline.co.uk Jan. 30, 2009). As you can see from this next report, soon after the Davos conference, Turkey has turned away from Israel. "The growing tensions between Israel and Turkey have destroyed prolific commerce relations which took years to establish, says Menashe Carmon, chairman of the Israel-Turkey Business Council. Diplomatic relations between Jerusalem and Ankara have been strained ever since Israel launched Operation Cast Lead. Tensions rose further after Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan walked off the stage at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, after verbally sparring with Israeli President Shimon Peres over the fighting in Gaza. Things seemed to escalate even more over the weekend, as Turkey announced it would be looking into the possibility of prosecuting Israeli officials for alleged genocide during the Gaza offensive" ([Ynet news.com](http://Ynetnews.com) Feb. 9, 2009).

"Iranian leaders and the Iranian media have lately been stressing the need for tighter relations with Islamic Turkey, and even for forming a strategic alliance with it, as part of the regional and global confrontation between Islam and the West. These statements have taken on greater significance since the recent Gaza war, which revealed that two camps exist in the Middle East - the Iranian axis (comprising Iran, Syria, Qatar, Hezbollah and Hamas) and the Saudi- Egyptian camp - and that these camps are engaged in an escalating cold war." At a January 2009 meeting with Turkish Ambassador to Iran, Salim Kara Othman Oglu , Parviz Davoudi, deputy to Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, said: "In the new circumstances [that have emerged], the expansion of relations between Iran and Turkey is a necessity... As the two great powers [in the region], the two countries have a broad common denominator, and by deepening the cooperation between them, they could play a decisive role in [shaping] the regional and international balances [of power]... The support of the Turkish government and people for the oppressed people of Gaza showed that [Turkey] was taking an independent stance." The Turkish ambassador, for his part, said, "The government in Ankara is willing to broaden its relations with Tehran in all areas, and to the maximum extent" ([MEMRI special Dispatch-No. 2248](http://MEMRI.org) Feb. 17, 2009). I hope by this time you are starting to get the big picture. The stage is now being set for this Middle East war God showed the prophet Ezekiel.

"The secretary of Iran's Expediency Council and the Turkish ambassador posted in the Iranian capital held talks on Turkish-Iranian relations on Tuesday. Meeting with Turkish ambassador in Tehran Selim Karaosmanoglu , Mohsen Rezai, Secretary of Iran's Expediency Council, said that importance of the roles to be played by Turkey and Iran in the fight against terrorism had doubled in the recent period. Rezai said the two countries could undertake an effective mission to provide **peace and stability** in the region. " **Turkey, Iran and other countries of the region could cooperate to form a single force** and solve the problems without the intervention of other parties," Rezai said ([World Bulletin News from Turkey Jan.](http://WorldBulletinNews.com)²⁰, 2010) . prophecy. I found it interesting that we saw the call for **peace and stability** included in this report. You learned from chapter 9 that destruction was prophesied at a time when they are calling for "Peace and safety".

I want you to think about this for a second. Just one year ago Turkey and Israel were very close allies. In one year's time “ **Turkey is calling for a jihad against Israel** ”! This had to happen at this time because we have reached the last days and Turkey is going to play a major part in end time prophecy. Support for Turkey is at an all-time high in the Arab world. The last time Turkish flags were carried through the streets of Middle Eastern capitals was during the first world war, as people took to the streets in continued support for the Ottoman sultan-caliph against the western entente powers. The sultan-caliph had proclaimed a jihad. Thanks to Turkish government support of a blockade-running mission led by a group of Hamas sympathizers, they are flying once again. No ruling Arab leader is as popular as the Turkish prime minister, Recep Tayyip Erdogan, whose discourse **amounts to calls for a jihad against Israel** . Israel's relations with Ankara – military, economic, and tourist (Israelis once flocked to Turkey) – have been sacrificed on the altar of Turkey's retrograde aspiration to lead the Islamic world and establish itself along with Iran as an alternative to American power. Turkey is once again turning eastwards" (guardian.co.uk June 8, 2010). For months later Turkey let the world know that they now consider Israel a threat. "The Turkish national security council recently designated Israel as a " **major threat** " in a document known as the "red book," which lists threats to Turkey, local media reported. The council decided to remove Syria, Bulgaria, Georgia and Armenia from the list of threats. Greece, however, is still considered a threat, whereas Iran was also removed from the list. This is the first time Turkey has designated Israeli activity in the Middle East as a threat. The document, which will remain in effect for the next five years, noted that Israeli actions may cause various states in the region to embark on an arms race. The document further stated that the Middle East must be free of nuclear weapons" (ynetnews.com Oct. 30, 2010). You may not realize how important this information is, but I can assure the calling of a Jihad against Israel by Turkey is huge in regards to Bible prophecy.

It is amazing to me how fast Turkey has become an enemy of Israel. A recent poll was taken in Turkey, where they asked the Turkish citizens who they considered their main enemies. I quote, "A total of 2,000 Turkish people took part in the opinion poll conducted by Ankara-based MetroPOLL Strategic and Social Research Center. The results were published on February 28, 2011, the IRIB's Research Center reported. Forty-two percent of the respondents saw the United States as Turkey's number one enemy, and 23 percent of them singled out Israel as the main enemy of the Eurasian nation." The speed at which Turkey and Israel have become enemies is taking place to get ready to fulfill the Ezekiel war of which Turkey will play a major role against Israel.

Once you know God's Word in prophecy for Turkey's future, you can watch what actions Turkey is taking and understand why they are doing the thing they do. Here is a case in point. News from arabnews.com on March 10, 2011 reported the following: "A new Turkish satellite has Israelis eyeing the end of a US-backed blackout on high-resolution commercial photography of their turf from space. The GokTurk satellite due in orbit by 2013 will sell images of objects more detailed than 2 meters (6 feet) across — currently the finest grain available when it comes to pictures of Israel, mainly thanks to US legislation from the 1990s. Turkey's leap into the aerospace market **treads on Israeli security sensitivities given the former allies'** recently strained ties. Unlike with other nations that have fielded commercial satellites, Israel has little leverage over Ankara." Turkey is currently making moves they think will help in any confrontation with Israel. We know from the Ezekiel prophecy it won't matter how much Turkey thinks they have the edge over Israel, because the Lord has already shown us 5/6 of the entire force that comes against Israel will die, and Turkey will be part of this force.

In 2012, Turkey continued to move away from their old friend Israel. The headline to the Israel Hayom News read as follows: "With new indictment, Erdogan seeks to 'crush ties to Israel'" Turkish high criminal court unanimously upholds indictments against four Israeli military officers for their alleged involvement in 2010 raid on Turkish flotilla which left nine Turks dead • Former IDF chief Lt. Gen. (res.) Gabi Ashkenazi says, "I am certain common sense will prevail in the end" • Senior Jerusalem official: Indictment is another move by Erdogan to erode Israeli-Turkish relations." Anyone who is looking for Israel and

Turkey to become allies again had better read Ezekiel 38 again! Turkey and Israel's relationship will continue to be strained until Ezekiel's war is fulfilled and Turkey is wiped out with the rest of the nations who attack Israel. On August 26, 2014 Author Walid Shoebat reported on a report calling for Turkey's Erdogan to be the leader of a new Islamic Caliphate. I quote, " In an amazing coverage that just came out today that was published throughout the Muslim world, including even [CNN Arabic Version](#) , The Chairman of the International Union for Muslim Scholars, Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi which his union represents the largest body of Muslim scholars worldwide and on their behalf just announced in Turkey that: "The Caliphate in today's age must be established through a number of several states that are governed by Shariah and supported by both, the rulers and the people in the form of a federation or confederation and not as it was in the past ." You can read what Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi said about Turkey and Erdogan on the next page.



Do you think the call for President Erdogan to head up this Islamic Caliphate is a coincidence? I don't believe that at all especially knowing that God called Gog the person who would come from Magog which, you know is Turkey. If Gog is in fact Turkey's leader then this next report issued on May 15, 2015 by [The Right Scoop](#) gives us a good glimpse of what the prophet Ezekeil showed us in the Ezekiel 38 war. The Right Scoop report wasn't covered by the main media probably because it had to be translated. I quote, "Today President Erdogan of Turkey gave a speech that no one in the English media is reporting. The Anadolu Agency, which is like the 'Reuters' of Turkey, reported on it and several Arabic sources have now picked up on it. And the speech he gave included a few lines where he talked about **invading Jerusalem** . " Unfortunately we the Muslims lost our aim *to head towards Jerusalem* . The water of our eyes froze making us blind, and our hearts that were destined to beat for Jerusalem are now instead conditioned for rivalry being in a state of war with each other." I don't want to beat a dead horse but this news is exactly what we read about in Ezekiel 38 as Turkey is seen invading Israel! The question I ask the Lord after reading this news is this. Is President Erdogan the man God is revealing in Ezekiel 38 or, will it be another Turkish

President who will come after Erdogan? In October of 2019, a major turn of events took place. Turkey invaded into Syria. [NPR news](#) October 10, 2019 ran the following headline. "Civilians Flee As Turkish Forces Strike Kurds In Northern Syria." I quote, "As Turkish soldiers launched an assault on US-backed Kurdish fighters in northern Syria and panicked civilians fled the battle zone, the White House sought to tamp down intense criticism over what many see as Washington's acquiescence in the incursion. Turkey's forces crossed the border on Wednesday, carrying out airstrikes and artillery barrages against the Syrian Democratic Forces, a Kurdish-led militia that has fought alongside the US in efforts to dismantle the Islamic State in Syria." Let's not forget what the [New Arab News](#) reported on December 1, 2016. I quote, "The Kremlin on Wednesday demanded an explanation after Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Ankara intervened in the Syria conflict solely to topple President Bashar al-Assad." Turkey's goal to overtake Syria hasn't changed since 2016, and this current invasion by Turkey in 2019 just may be the beginning of the quest to topple Syria's President. At this point it looks like it could be Erdogan who will destroy Damascus fulfill that prophecy and turn and attack Israel so, let us all keep on the watch to see if Erdogan remains in office or another takes his place. What is becoming even more clear to us each day is Turkey will lead that attack on Israel in the Ezekiel war and there are two issues that may force Turkey to attack Israel. The first issue is the ownership of East Jerusalem. On Feb. 14, 2020 the [Ahval News](#) ran this headline. "Jerusalem is Turkey's red line, says Erdoğan." "Protecting Jerusalem is a red line for Turkey, and Ankara will never leave the holy city to the mercy of the occupying Israeli government, state-run Anadolu Agency [quoted](#) Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan as saying in a speech to the Pakistani parliament on Friday. "Erdoğan has repeatedly said that Turkey would never recognize the so-called deal of the century and criticizes other Muslim countries for not defending Palestinian rights" (ibid). The second issue has to do with the Palestinians not getting their own nation carved out of Israel. On May 18, 2020 [Aljazeera News](#) showed Turkey is ready to go after Israel. I quote, "Istanbul, Turkey - Turkish President [Recep Tayyip Erdogan](#) has called on Muslim leaders to unite and confront Israel, days after scores of Palestinians were killed by Israeli snipers as they marked 70 years of Israeli occupation. Erdoğan has repeatedly said that Turkey would never recognize the so-called deal of the century and criticizes other Muslim countries for not defending Palestinian rights."

Put was also a descendant of Ham; he was the third son of Ham (Genesis 10:6). Libya is the translation of the original Hebrew word, Put. We know the descendants of Put migrated to the land west of Egypt and became the source of the North African Arab nations, which are Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco. Put, therefore, is what we know as our modern day Libya but can include Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco as well. Who "Gomer with all his troops" is as mentioned in Ezekiel 38:6? Gomer was the oldest son of Japheth. We know Gomer's descendants migrated into what is today Eastern Germany. Togarmah was the second son of Gomer; his descendants occupied eastern and northern Turkey, and they occupied southern Russia, which used to be comprised of many small nations such as Armenia. Present day Armenians still call themselves the house of Togarmah. As you can see, there is an array of nations that will join Russia when attacking Israel, but it is not all the armies of the world as with the battle of Armageddon. I will cover the differences between Ezekiel's battle and the battle at Armageddon at the end of this chapter.

Following is an explanation and proof of how the nations named in Ezekiel's prophecy have over the years been forging a bond that will ultimately carry out the Lord's prophecy. The attack against Israel is one of the last prophecies to be fulfilled before the tribulation begins. The current events you are seeing in the news today are showing the world the prelude to the next attack against Israel. The following time line will demonstrate to you the attitudes each country has had in regard to the nation Israel. You will learn these same attitudes toward Israel's right to exist as a nation are still intact today, but one major thing has changed. In 2009 there have been more cries to destroy the state of Israel than ever before. [This chapter's time line begins in the late 1970s](#). By the end of this chapter, you will see that we should expect this attack in the very near future.

Libya: Libya is known as Put in the Old Testament. In Genesis 10:6, we learn that Put was the third son of Ham. We are also taught from Josephus, an ancient historian that the descendants of Put migrated to the land west of Egypt. These people became what we call the North African Arab nations, which today consist of Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, and Algeria. When the attack takes place, Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, and Algeria will more than likely be included since they are all made up of the descendants of Ham and Put.

Algeria : Let's take a look at current events in Algeria. It is interesting that the military or a single party controls most African governments . North African countries derive many laws from Islam, and Islam is Algeria's official religion, which is predominantly Sunni. News concerning Algeria in 2006 shows the possible reason why it will join in on the attack against Israel. "Al Qaeda's No. 2 leader, Ayman al-Zawahiri, announced this week what he called 'the blessed union' of his terrorist group and the Algeria-based Salafist Group for Call and Combat (known by its initials in French as GSPC). The statement, made in a video posted on the Internet, confirms what US News reported last December-that Osama bin Laden's terror network has formally linked up with the feared Algerian terrorist group, which has a network of operatives in North Africa and parts of Europe" (US News and World Report , posted Sept. 14, 2006). It would stand to reason since Algeria has allied itself with Al Qaeda and Osama bin Laden, that Algeria would not hesitate in joining in on an attack against their common enemy Israel. Who is supplying Algeria with weapons? The Russians. RIA Novosti news from Moscow reported, "Russia may receive some \$6 billion on sales of weapons and military hardware in 2006" (July 12, 2006). Rosoboronexport, which is a Public Relations and Media Service, has in the same RIA Novosti report noted out that Russia is "strengthening cooperation with traditional African importers of Russian weapons" (Ibid.). Guess who is buying Russia's weapons? The nations are: "Algeria, Libya, Angola, Ethiopia and Uganda-as well as progress in cooperation with Morocco" (Ibid.). By the time you finish this chapter, you will learn that Algeria, Libya, Ethiopia, and Morocco are all nations that will invade Israel with Russia. It is no wonder why Russia is arming these nations!

Morocco : What about Morocco? Is there a connection which would link these terrorist nations to join in on an attack against Israel? The connection can be made from this December 26, 2005 U.S. News and World Report, where they wrote a piece entitled, "The Mutating Threat." The following is only a section from their report. "The most prominent successor is Abu Musab Zarqawi and his network of foreign suicide bombers in Iraq, but attacks like the Madrid train bombings in March 2004 are of growing concern. Those blasts, which killed 191 people, have been tied to the Moroccan Islamic Combatant Group, a shadowy, loose-knit outfit even more mysterious than the GSPC...Intelligence officials fear that these North African groups could be the future, more anonymous face of the terrorist threat. The GSPC, which grew out of Algeria's violent civil war in the 1990s, was once seen mostly as a local threat. But the group, which had developed an extensive European exile support network, now has much broader ambitions. 'The concern is that they could link up with other extremists to launch attacks beyond Algeria, particularly on soft targets frequented by westerners,' says one US counterterrorism official." Both terrorist groups from Morocco and Algeria are united with Bin Laden. News published on the Middle East Online in their report titled "Algeria's GSPC vows to pursue 'holy war'" had this to say. "'Osama bin Laden has told me to announce to Muslims that the GSPC (the Salafist Group for Preaching and Combat) has joined Al-Qaeda,' Zawahiri said, according to extracts of the video issued this week to coincide with the fifth anniversary of the September 11 attacks on the United States. 'We pray to God that they will be a thorn on the side of the American and French crusaders and their allies,' he said." Anyone following the Middle East knows the "allies" Bin Laden's group is talking about Israel. Put two and two together. Bin Laden's goal is to wipe out Israel and the United States. In the near future when the attack against Israel takes place, I would look for these nations to join in on that attack.

Tunisia: Tunisia is another nation whose religion is Islam, predominantly Sunni. Until now Tunisia has not been responsible for any terrorist attacks, but there are many in Tunisia who are sympatric with Bin Laden and his cause. Destroying Israel and the Islamic faith will probably be the reasons why Tunisia will

join its Islamic brothers in the coming Israeli attack, but there are more dots to connect here. Another big development just took place in the Middle East, and it has to do with concerns over atomic energy and atomic bombs. On November 4, 2006 the Times Online came out with an article titled, "Six Arab states join rush to go nuclear." Take a guess as to which Arab nations are included in this list? The report stated, "The countries involved were named by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) as Algeria, Egypt, Morocco and Saudi Arabia. Tunisia and the UAE have also shown interest...Mark Fitzpatrick, an expert on nuclear proliferation at the International Institute for Strategic Studies, said that it was clear that the sudden drive for nuclear expertise was to provide the Arabs with a 'security hedge.'" One of the reasons why these nations want to go nuclear is the fact that the only Middle East nation which has the nuclear bomb is Israel. It doesn't surprise me at all that the very nations named to attack Israel are the same nations that are now pressing for this nuclear edge. When you read Ezekiel's prophecy, you will discover the outcome of this battle, and it appears to be a nuclear blast. Anyone who has followed the news these past months is also aware Iran has just gotten the nuclear bomb. Israel has already stated if the US can't stop Iran from obtaining the bomb, Israel would strike Iran itself to stop it. The Times Online had this to say, "ISRAEL has drawn up secret plans for a combined air and ground attack on targets in Iran if diplomacy fails to halt the Iranian nuclear program" (March 13, 2009). In another section of the March 13 report, it said, "The plans have been discussed with American officials who are said to have indicated provisionally that they would not stand in Israel's way if all international efforts to halt Iranian nuclear projects failed." If Israel carries out its threat and hits Iran, I can see how these actions could unite the other nations listed to attack Israel, and it could start the Ezekiel war.

In 2011, an important development took place that puts Tunisia at odds with Israel. "A Tunisian Islamist party banned for more than 20 years has been legalized while three ministers quit the country's interim government Tuesday amid renewed uncertainty about where Tunisia is headed" (Daily News Economic Review March 2, 2011). One of the main men behind this Islamist party is Mohammed Ghannouchi. "Ghannouchi founded Ennahda movement in 1981 with intellectuals inspired by the influential **Muslim Brotherhood born in Egypt** . The group was tolerated in the initial years after Ben Ali took power in 1987 but denied legal registration" (Ibid.). This report also states, "Ghannouchi is a former radical preacher who says he now espouses moderate ideals similar to Turkey's ruling Justice and Development Party, or AKP" (Ibid.). Ghannouchi has indeed followed the lead of the Turkish government. Turkey broke off relations with Israel, now Ghannouchi is doing the same thing. "The head of Tunisia's governing Islamist party, Ennahada , said on Sunday the country cannot normalize ties with Israel. According to a report in the official *TAP* news agency, Rached Ghannouchi said that "Tunisians' problem is with Zionism, not with Judaism," stressing that "the president of Ennahda stressed ... there can be no normalization with Israel." (IsraelNationalNews.com April 2, 2012) Let me make Ghannouchi's statement concerning Zionism perfectly clear for you. Zionism is the Jewish national movement of rebirth and renewal in the land of Israel - the historical birthplace of the Jewish people. What Ghannouchi is telling us is, he doesn't recognize Israel as being a nation and, like the Muslim Brotherhood based in Egypt he wants to see Israel wiped out! Ghannouchi says he has no problem with Judaism. Without the Jews there would be no Zionism or rebirth of the nation Israel. You can not separate Zionism from the Jews. Who does Ghannouchi think fought to have Israel reborn as a nation again, the Italians? It was the Jews! Turkey has become an enemy of Israel, now Tunisia's leader Ghannouchi, wants to espouse ideals similar to Turkey. In other words, Tunisia is now on the path to join forces with the rest of the Islamic nations that want to see Israel pushed into the sea!

Libya: Let me get back to Libya specifically. From the very beginning of the Israeli peace talks, Libya has been one of the nations which kept denouncing any attempt at peace with Israel. Not only did the leader of Libya take shots at Israel, but he also had harsh words for President Carter, who was supporting Israel. Here are a few reports during this time frame, which mentioned Libya and the rest of the nations listed in the prophecy. The first report was titled, "The Middle East—A Never Ending Problem." Please note that every nation mentioned in the prophecy was mentioned in this first report. The report stated, "Enormous challenges confront Carter in the Middle East. The Camp David agreements split the Arabs down the middle

between nations willing to support an Egyptian-Israel accord and those determined to scuttle peace. Iran's turmoil is a threat to Persian Gulf stability. The Soviet Union, with its eyes on strategic gain, is active on a front stretching from Libya to Ethiopia and Afghanistan" (US News & World Report Jan. 1, 1979, pp.37-39). Nothing has changed since the 1979 report. Every one of the nations listed in the report still hates Israel today. Muammar Muhammad al-Gadhafi, Libya's leader, has publicly expressed his hatred toward Israel. In 1993, for example, a committee of 198 Muslims went to Israel under the pretense of an expression of peace. A trusting Israel welcomed the Muslim pilgrimage. The morning after the Muslims arrived, the head of the Muslim delegation called a press conference. In a report called, "Libyan Enrages Israelis by Free-Jerusalem Call," I have stated, "On this occasion we call on all Muslims in this world to participate in liberating Jerusalem, which ought to be the capital of a Palestinian state...Our presence in Jerusalem does not mean in any way a recognition of Israel. For to us it is certainly not a state." Later that day Israel's Tourism Minister said, "I am embarrassed that my government invites here people who want to destroy Israel" (Washington Post Service June 2, 1993, pA-6). Another AP article entitled "Gadhafi Calls for Removal of Israel" said, "As he celebrated two decades in power, Col. Muammar Gadhafi declared on Friday that Israel 'must be removed' and promised to pursue international revolutionary programs to rid the world of government and classes, parliaments and parties." President Assad of Syria attended the meeting with Gadhafi and pledged to eliminate Israel's occupation in the Holy Land. Libya's leader Gadhafi has been a radical ruler in Libya for years. His view on the Israel problem has always been to go to war with Israel and defeat her. Over the years Gadhafi has tried to unite other Arab states to march against Israel but couldn't get enough support. Gadhafi isn't stupid. He knows there is no way his country alone could defeat Israel in a war. He has harbored hatred toward Israel for defeating him in past wars, and he would like to win for once. Presently he is sitting tight. Gadhafi is waiting until these issues about Jerusalem again take center stage. Gadhafi knows he won't have any problem gathering support to retake the city of Jerusalem when the timing is right.

Moving on to news in October of 2000, violence flared up again between Israelis and Palestinians. As a result, Arab leaders at a 22 nation emergency summit united behind the Palestinian struggle, accusing Israel of jeopardizing Middle East peace and attacking Palestinians. The Knight Ridder News Service reported the Arabs "pledged \$1 billion to preserve Muslim holy sites in East Jerusalem and help families of Palestinians killed or injured in recent clashes that have raised fears of a wider conflict. But they did not seek an economic boycott or outright war against Israel, as many Arab citizens have demanded, and called instead for a comprehensive peace plan that will stabilize the region. This prompted the hard-line Libyan delegation, intent on severing ties with Israel, to storm out after the first session of a two-day Arab League meeting, agreed to address three weeks of clashes between Palestinians and Israelis" (Santa Barbara News-Press Oct. 22, 2000 front p.). Gadhafi's people stormed out of the October meeting because they, as well as the Iraqis, wanted to see a united Arab front, which would attack Israel. As the report stated on p.A2, "Libyans, Iraqis wanted a jihad" (Ibid.). A jihad is an all out holy war. In 1986 President Reagan sent American warplanes to bomb the Libyan cities by shooting down a commercial airline, and since then Gadhafi has kept himself out of the public eye. However, he is still waiting for the holy war against Israel. Gadhafi has the same attitudes for Israel he had back in 1976 when the first peace talks began. Gadhafi hates Israel just as much in 2009, and he is still waiting for his Arab brothers to join arms and attack Israel. In February 2006 rioters set fire to an Italian consulate in Libya, and 11 people were reported killed in protests over cartoons of their Prophet Mohammed. Gadhafi has been trying for years to unite his Arab brothers to attack Israel. The simple drawing of a cartoon of the Prophet Mohammed had united most of the Islamic nations to the point they are calling for the destruction of Israel and the USA. There is no doubt, when the time comes, Gadhafi will lead his nation into this attack on the Israeli people, and he won't attack alone. On April 14, 2008 I warned the people reading my web site to watch what Libya starts to do soon. In that post, I explained the reason why I said that. "It shouldn't come to anyone's surprise that the head of Libya is today visiting with Putin the head of Russia. The news link below informs us that this is an historic event and Russia and Libya are forming closer ties. For the past two weeks we are starting to see more activity in Libya. I know what is taking place behind the scenes. All the nations on the list to attack Israel

are making plans for this future attack and that includes Libya. Gaddafi, the leader of Libya, has been very silent for the past 20 years so why is he beginning to be so active again in the Middle East? Here is the answer. We are getting closer to this massive attack against Israel. In April 2008 Putin, the Russian leader, met with Gaddafi, Libya's leader, and the press called this a 'historic meeting.' "The two nation summit was the first one these two nations have had in 20 years." "During the visit, both sides managed not only 'to solidify our joint approaches toward international affairs, but also to agree upon the framework of trade, economic and investment cooperation'" (news.xinhuanet.com April 18, 2008). Read what Russia just did for Libya! "The two countries signed deals on energy co-operation, military assistance and construction of a 500km (310-mile) railway line in Libya." When you read the subtitle it states that, "Russia has agreed to cancel \$4.5bn of Libyan debt in exchange for major contracts for Russian firms" (BBCNews April 18, 2008).

On April 24, 2008 Libya showed its anger toward Israel again when, "A Libyan envoy who compared the situation in Gaza to the Holocaust went further on Thursday, saying it was worse than in Nazi concentration camps because of regular Israeli concentration bomb attacks. 'It is more than what happened in the camps,' Libya's deputy permanent UN representative, Ibrahim Dabbashi, told reporters. There is the bombing, daily bombing (by Israel) ... in Gaza. It was not in the concentration camps" (Reuters). Israel knows Libya hates her, and in April of 2008 Israel "suggested that Libya should never have been elected to a seat on the Security Council" (Ibid.).

If God warned Libya would be a collaborator with Russia during its assault, it only stands to reason we would see signs of these nations getting ready for the battle. I have been warning people since 1978 to watch Libya for it will begin to appear in the news again, and this is exactly what is happening! Here is the latest news from the Middle East concerning Russia and Libya. "MOSCOW, Nov. 3 (UPI) -- Libya has offered to host a Russian naval base and plans to purchase billions of dollars in military hardware, Russian sources told the Kommersant newspaper. An unnamed Russian military official was quoted in the Moscow-based Kommersant business daily as saying Libya 'is ready' to let the Russian Navy use a Libyan port 'as a guarantee of non-aggression against Libya from the United States,' Med Basin Newslines reported Monday" (UPI Nov. 3, 2008).

Ask yourself these questions: Why does Libya need billions of arms when it hasn't been engaged in any kind of war with any other nation for decades? Why is Libya buying the arms from Russia? If you know God and He has His Holy Spirit in you guiding you, the answer becomes very clear. What these nations are doing is getting ready to fulfill God's Words concerning the attack on Israel. God said these nations would join together in the end times, and the proof is in the news. God was right on target again.

On December 31, 2008, Libya's leader "called on Arab states to take a firm stand and boycott Israel because of its onslaught on the Gaza Strip, the official JANA News agency reported Wednesday" (Dow Jones Newsires Dec. 31, 2008). What Gadhafi stated further down in that report is very interesting in light of who is supposed to attack Israel. I quote, "We could give Israel a deadline and tell them, 'You have one month and after that the door to peace talks will be firmly closed. We will be in a state of war and Israel will be boycotted.'" In that same article, Gadhafi said he was now going to turn his attention back to Africa, and he made this address to the following nations: Algeria, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia. These are the same nations which are supposed to take part in the invasion against Israel.

On March 10, 2009 news broke out from Moscow reporting that, "Libya has signed with Russia a contract worth up to an estimated \$200 million to buy three missile boats, a Russian military journal reported on Tuesday" (RIA Novosti March 3, 2009). I hope by now you see what is going on here. Libya is beginning to build up its military because it knows what is in store for Israel. When Israel stepped up the attack on the PLO and Hamas in Gaza in January 2009, Libya's leader again made his dislike for Israel known. At the time Israel was engaging the PLO in the Gaza, many protests against Israel stated to emerge. One report

stated, “The protests coincided with a call from Libyan President Moammar Gadhafi for Arab countries to allow their citizens to fight the Israelis in Gaza—the strongest such push by an Arab leader since Israel began its operation against the militant Palestinian group Hamas two weeks ago” (elpasotimes.com Jan. 9, 2009).

On February 2, 2009, something happened that I believe is going to be very important in helping to fulfill Ezekiel's prophecy. News over the AP reported, “Moammar Gadhafi of Libya was elected Monday as leader of the African Union, a position long sought by the eccentric dictator who wants to push his oil-rich nation into the international mainstream after years of isolation” (Yahoo News . Feb. 2, 2009). When President Reagan bombed Libya in 1986, Libya's leader went silent for a long time. In just about every speech I gave concerning the Ezekiel prophecy since Reagan bombed Gadhafi, I have been warning that Gadhafi would again emerge and take a major role in the attack against Israel with the Russians. As you can see from the news report, the time for Gadhafi's isolation has come to an end. Why now? God is placing the right people in position who are going to carry out His prophecies. Who is in the African Union that Gadhafi just took over? All of the nations that are listed to attack Israel in Ezekiel chapter 38. This is no coincidence.

In the first half of 2011 we witnessed Libyan President Moammar Gadhafi come under attack from his people and killed. What is important for you to look for is who is in line to replace Gadhafi?

News from Foreign Affairs on October 6, 2014 explained what direction Libya's new government has gone since President Moammar Gadhafi was killed. " Libya's chaos has been variously portrayed as a contest between Islamists versus more secular factions; between younger "revolutionaries" versus older technocrats and military officers of Muammar al-Qaddafi's regime; or between two rival towns in the west, Misrata and Zintan. Libya's conflict is all these things. At its core, however, the fighting is about two centers of power -- consisting of town-, tribe-, and militia-based networks -- fighting for the mantle of legitimacy in a country devoid of any workable institutions. And therein lies the conflict. Over the past six months, these multiple factions have coalesced into two rival camps that have each staked equal claims to authority.”

While these two rival camps have been fighting for power in Libya ISIS who has pledged to destroy Israel has now taken a foot hold in Libya. On November 10, 2014 the HAARETZ news submitted this headline: “ Libyan city is first outside Syria, Iraq to join ISIS.” I quote, “With that meeting 10 days ago, the militants dragged Darna into becoming the first city outside of Iraq and Syria to join the " **caliphate** " announced by the extremist group. Already, the city has seen religious courts ordering killings in public, floggings of residents accused of violating Shariah law, as well as enforced segregation of male and female students. Opponents of the militants have gone into hiding or fled, terrorized by a string of slayings aimed at silencing them.” "Darna could be a model for the group to try to expand elsewhere. Notably, in Lebanon, army troops recently captured a number of militants believed to be planning to seize several villages in the north and proclaim them part of the "caliphate." Around the region, a few militant groups have pledged allegiance to their leader, Iraqi militant Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi. But none hold cohesive territory like those in Darna do." At the current time ISIS is taking over nation after nation and now they have started to take over Libya. As of November 10, 2014 ISIS has just about taken over Iraq and Syria two of the nations that God told us would attack Israel in the Psalm 83 war so, it only strands to reason Libya is taken over by ISIS in order to get ready for the Ezekiel 38 war against Israel.

Syria: In chapter 10 I stated Syria **is not** listed in the nations that will attack Israel in the Ezekiel war. In this chapter I will show you how Syria's friendships with Russia, Iran, and Turkey will play a role in this war even though Syria is not in this war. God has noticed Syria's hatred, and soon He will deal with Syria. Let me start off by telling you Assad, Syria's leader, in April 2009 stated, “We'll free Golan through peace or war” (Ynetnews.com). In verse 3 of Psalm 83 it says, “With cunning they conspire against your people; they plot against those you cherish.” I can assure you that is exactly what Syria and the other Arab nations

are doing right now. Despite the fact that Syria is not in the Ezekiel attack you need to see how Syria will play a role in helping bringing about the Russian lead invasion against Israel.

"These days it doesn't require much dusting to see Russia is conspicuously etching its indelible fingerprints upon the Middle East. In a bid to regain superpower status, the ancient Muscovites are forming unprecedented alliances with Iran and **Syria**, the two primary enemies of modern day Israel...Although volumes of Ezekiel invasion best-sellers should soon justifiably line world bookshelves, these authors must be cautious not to put the colloquial cart before the proverbial horse...Indeed Russia and Iran are ready to make their moves, but what about Syria, who today panders alongside Iran for Russian affections, is not included among the elite nine members of the Ezekiel 38 and 39 consortium of attacking nations. Why not? What knocks their quiver of missiles out of the Ezekiel military equation?...As I have documented in my recently released book, 'Israelestine, The Ancient Blueprints of the Future Middle East,' the Bible makes quite clear that in a distinctly separate Psalm 83 episode Damascus, the capital of Syria, soon ceases to be a city, and subsequently shortly thereafter Russia and Iran advance against Israel" ([WorldNetDaily](#) April 12, 2009). The report went on to say, "Thus there are three scheduled end time advances against Israel, not just Ezekiel's. First comes **Psalm 83, the Arab-Israeli war**, followed promptly by the **Ezekiel 38 and 39 Russian – Iranian invasion**, and lastly the campaign of **Armageddon** by the Antichrist" (Ibid.). By the way, I agree this is how the end time events will take place.

Now let me give you a look at what may cause Syria to be leveled. Once again as in Ezekiel 38, there is Russia's connection with Syria that may cause her destruction. As with all prophecy, there are stepping stones that build up to any prophecy being fulfilled. What follows are the stepping stones for Syria's destruction.

"Syria would participate in an alliance with Libya" ([Los Angeles Times](#) Aug. 1, 1980). Just about all the reports coming out of the Middle East mention a connection among Libya, Syria, Iran, Iraq, and Russia. They will be the same nations God told us would come together and attack Israel. An article entitled "PLO Pushes Jerusalem Issue to Forefront" illustrates the sensitivity and perplexity of the problem: "Nevertheless, at seemingly every public forum, whether under US-Russian auspices or non-governmental meetings, Palestinians keep hammering away that Jerusalem is their holy city and do not question about it." Bluntly stated, Assad has no love for the Jews. He is willing to do whatever is necessary to defeat them. Jesus told us about these future times. Important facts to remember about Syria are: (1) It is aligned with Libya, Iran, Russia, Turkey, and Iraq in friendship treaties, (2) It has pledged to liberate the city of Jerusalem, and (3) It agrees with the general consensus of its right wing Arab brothers that Israel must not remain a nation, and force is the only way to deal with Israel. Back in October 2000, 22 Arab nations met in Cairo to figure out a course of action against Israel because of the renewed fighting with the Palestinians. What you may not know is Syria's position on the Israeli problem during 2000. During the meeting, it was reported the Syrian President Assad urged the leaders to be realistic and look at options including war, and not compromise the interests of Arabs. "The blood was not sacrificed so we could come to stop the bloodshed," Assad said. "It's for Israel to pay a price" ([Santa Barbara News-Press](#) Oct. 22, 2000 p.A2).

Moving three years further, in 2003 it was a well-known fact there was no love loss between the Prime Minister of Israel and Syrian President Bashar al-Assad. In the [Washingtonpost.com](#) on April 15, 2003, Sharon called, "Syrian President Bashar al-Assad dangerous and prone to risky mistakes." Sharon "has urged the United States to turn up the heat on Damascus." Syria also showed its friendly alliance with Iraq during the 2003 Free Iraq War. [Fox News](#) informed us, the "US commanders said volunteers from Syria were among the foreigners helping Iraqis put up resistance against US troops in Baghdad" ([Fox News](#) April 15, 2003). It was also confirmed; Syria had sent Russian-made night vision gear to Iraqi troops during that war. A current report about Syria's President states, "Syria's President trying to increase an armed conflict inside Iraq explains Washington's visible hostility towards the Assad-Ba'ath Party regime. The members of the European Union view Assad as a leader with an almost obsessive desire to stand up to Israel and stay

in power. On the other hand, within the Bush Administration, he is viewed as a far more dangerous figure" ([American Chronicle](#) Feb. 21, 2006). On June 15, 2006, Gen. Mustafa, Iran's Defense Minister, signed a new military security treaty with Syria. This new military treaty will allow Iranian revolutionary guards to be deployed on the Golan border and in Syria, which by the way is just north of Israel. This becomes important due to the fact that the prophecy tells us the attack will come from the north. Are the Syrians and Iranians serious about the buildup of troops north of Israel? Read what the [DEBKAF](#) file had to say about the new treaty. "The breadth of Syrian-Iranian military relations can be measured by the military treaty's financial scope of \$800 m and the size of the Damascus delegation sent to Tehran-60 officers representing every branch of the Syrian armed forces, including intelligence and munitions industries" ([debka.com](#) June 15, 2006). By now you are asking why I am telling you all this about Syria if it isn't mentioned in the Ezekiel attack? Take note of the following prophecies concerning a future war and the destruction of the city of Damascus, which is the capital of Syria. I just gave you proof that Syria has hated Israel and for years you have wanted to see Israel wiped out. Read what the [Guardian News](#) wrote about a future attack on Israel in their April 27, 2008 report. "But an Observer investigation has discovered that this covered organization is quietly but steadily replacing its dead and redoubling its recruitment efforts in anticipation of a new, and even more brutal, conflict. Hizbollah has embarked on a major expansion of its fighting capability and is now sending hundreds, if not thousands, of young men into intensive training camps in Lebanon, Syria and Iran to prepare itself for war with Israel. 'It's not a matter of if,' says one fighter. 'It's a matter of when Sayed Hasan Nasrallah [Hizbollah chief] commands us.'" Unless you get hit by a truck, get bitten by a deadly snake, die in an airplane crash, or overdose from your drugs in the next week or so, I can tell you one thing: you will be alive to see this prophecy being reported in the nightly news. Some think it will happen this fall as both Israel and Syria are preparing for this war. In late July of 2008, one headline read, "Ahmadinejad vows allegiance to Syria...Iranian president plays host to Syrian FM, pledges no changes in bilateral relations with Damascus despite his recent renewal of peace negotiations with Israel...Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad met on Tuesday evening with visiting Syrian Foreign Affairs Minister, Walid al-Muallem, and pledged he would work to strengthen the relationship between the two countries, to the discontent of Israel and the United States. Hosting his guest in Tehran, Ahmadinejad emphasized that he had no intention of letting any outside factor impact the strategic alliance between Iran and Syria" ([ynetnews.com](#) July 30, 2008). Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad met on Tuesday evening with visiting Syrian Foreign Affairs Minister Walid al-Muallem and pledged he would work to **strengthen the relationship** between the two countries, to the discontentment of **Israel** and the United States. "Hosting his guest in Tehran, Ahmadinejad emphasized that he had no intention of letting any outside factor impact the **strategic alliance between Iran and Syria**" (Ibid.). In August of 2008 Syria's and Iran's leaders discussed events going on in the Middle East. Here is one comment that came out of one of those meetings. "The liberation of all occupied lands, the return of the Palestinian (refugees), the establishment of a Palestinian state and the **collapse of the Zionist regime** are not considered by the region's nations to be goals that are unattainable,' the Iranian president said. On the day of an informal deadline set by Western officials in a row over Tehran's atomic ambitions, Ahmadinejad said Iran would **not withdraw 'one iota' from its nuclear rights**" ([ynetnews.com](#) Aug. 2, 2008). There are two important facts to pick from their statement. First, both Syria and Iran think Israel (the Zionist regime) can be destroyed. Second, Iran again tells Israel it is going to complete its nuclear power plant no matter what Israel says about it. This is another challenge to Israel because Iran is trying to force Israel into attacking Iran. Just be ready and watch. Every one of the heads of state in the nations named to attack Israel has been placed there for one reason. They are the type of men who will, at the end of the day, fulfill the prophecy in Ezekiel 38. If God warned us the attack would come from the north, it only stands to reason that is why the nations named to attack Israel are now beginning to place their troops just north of Israel.

Most of the nations in the Middle East are aware another war involving Israel is just around the corner. The fact is that there are news reports as to what the next battle will look like. What I want you to notice is the news is saying Iran and Syria will be fighting Israel as a team. "Night Watch: rfn =JERUSALEM – 'How Many Missiles will be Fired from Iran-Syria-Lebanon Against Israel in the Next War?'" was the subject of

a lecture given by Major-General (res.) Eitan Ben Eliahu at the Israel Missile Defense Association (IMDA) (www.imda.org.il) a new link with Crossfire War. Haaretz reports General Eliahu headed the Israel Air Force (IAF) from 1996-2000 and in his lecture earlier this week he estimated **Syria-Iran will launch** 250-300 long range Shahab-Scud missiles at Israel in the next war. Eliahu estimated Hezbollah in Lebanon will be able to launch 5,000 short range missiles, an increase from the 4,200 they fired in 2006. Hezbollah does possess some longer range missiles which can hit Tel Aviv and no doubt they will be used as quickly as possible since the IAF will make destroying the longer range missiles their top priority whether they are fired from Lebanon-Syria-Iran. 20 days" (newsblaze.com July 3, 2008).

I think you will find this next section of reports very interesting. In Ezekiel 39:3 it reads, "And I will smite my bow out of my left hand, and I will cause thine **arrows** to fall out of my right hand." One thing you must understand is that Ezekiel wrote his book around 593-565 BC When Ezekiel was watching this battle through the eyes of the Lord, he was watching a war being fought with weapons he had never seen before. Ezekiel described what he was watching in the only terms he knew at the time. For example, look at the above Scripture where it says, "And I will smite my bow out of my left hand, and will cause thine **arrows** to fall out of my right hand." Those **arrows** are today's modern day missiles. Can we know if this is true? When we watch the news and compare what was written in God's Word, we see the fulfillment. Let me connect the dots for you. Read this short news report. "The Air Force held the 14th test of the Israeli-designed **Arrow** 2 anti-ballistic missile on Friday, successfully intercepting an incoming rocket at a higher altitude than ever before" ([The Jerusalem Post](http://TheJerusalemPost.com) Dec. 2 2005). If you have been watching the news, you would have seen all the missiles the PLO and Hamas have launched into Israel. Israel's new defense system is called, of all things, the Arrow defense system. Ezekiel may not have understood what these strange looking arrows were so he described them using the weapons of his day. Here is another report talking about this Arrow defense system. "Once all programs are completed, Israel will have a three-tier missile and rocket defensive systems in place. The operational **Arrow system**, capable of defeating ballistic missiles at high altitude, within or above the earth atmosphere, at ranges of hundred kilometers from the Israeli border. Development and production for Arrow were funded jointly by the US and Israel" (defense-update.com 2007).

As you can see by now, Syria is making moves that are threatening Israel, but it gets worse. "Russian security officials threatened retaliation against Israel for its weapons exports to Georgia including eight different aerial drones. Russian Deputy Chief of Staff Col. Gen. Anatoly Nogovitsyn said Israel supplied at least eight different models of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) to Georgia. Nogovitsyn said Israel has also sold a range of weapons and sought to export main battle tanks to Georgia. Russian diplomatic sources said the government of Prime Minister Vladimir Putin was **furious** over Israel's refusal to **impose a military embargo on Georgia**. The sources said Putin's aides had urged Israel several times to halt weapons exports. 'We asked Israel not to sell offensive weapons to a hostile neighboring state, but they said they're a sovereign state,' a diplomatic source said. 'Well, Israel shouldn't be surprised if we sell offensive weapons to Israel's neighbors'" ([World Tribune](http://WorldTribune.com) Aug. 20, 2008). What this did was set the stage for the Russians to place their missiles in Syria. This will increase the danger in the Middle East because Israel knows any of those missiles can hit anywhere in Israel. Keep in mind, Ezekiel warned the attack would come from the north, and both Russia and Syria are directly north of Israel.

A day after the above report was released, we received news that President Assad had a meeting in which he told Russia he would allow Russian missiles to be set up in Syria. The ynetnews headline "Assad to Russia: Plant missiles in Syria" read, "Russia Today TV reports Syrian president will allow Russia to place anti-aircraft weaponry in Syria, in response to US planting of missiles in Poland" (Aug. 21, 2008). "Syrian President Bashar Assad has made an offer to his Russian counterpart, Dmitry Medvedev, allowing the latter to counter the US's involvement in Poland by planting Russian missiles on Syrian soil, Russia Today TV reported Thursday." Remember just two days prior to this report, Prime Minister Vladimir Putin was **furious** at Israel for arming Georgia. This is his way of getting back to Israel.

By August everyone heard Israel's response to these Russian weapons being setup just to the north of them. "Transportation Minister Shaul Mofaz (Kadima) on Friday Mofaz accused Syria and other regional states of 'allowing themselves to directly threaten Israel,' and added that Israel must **exhibit a 'tough stance' against them...** Mofaz also responded to allegations that Syria offered to place Russian missile batteries on their soil, saying ' **Israel cannot allow** the entry of weapons that could destabilize the balance of power in the region'...Nevertheless, Israel fears Assad is trying to drag Russia and Israel into a new diplomatic crisis by emphasizing Israeli arms sales to Georgia" (Haaretz.com Aug. 22, 2008). As you can see, one issue is entwined with the other.

If you read Ezekiel 38-39, you will notice the prophet says the attack on Israel will come from the "north." Would it surprise you to find out Russia has made new alliances with Syria and this year moved part of the Russian fleet into Syria's port? Remember, since Russia is going to lead the coming attack on Israel, what better position to take than to be stationed just north of Israel. The news about setting up in Syria broke on September 12, 2008 in a report the DEBKAFfile titled, "Russia lines up with Syria, Iran against America and the West." Just the title of the report should get anyone who knows the Ezekiel and Isaiah prophecies to take notice. All these nations are listed in those prophecies. The September 12th report stated, "Moscow announced renovation had begun on the Syrian port of Tartus to provide Russia with its first long-term naval presence in the Mediterranean." Six days after the DEBKAFfile report was released, UPI released another report on the Russian fleet headed to Syria. "TARTUS, Syria, Sept. 19 (UPI) -- **Ten Russian warships** are docked in the Syrian port city of Tartus to the apparent surprise of the Israeli military, military sources say. The unidentified sources said Israeli military leaders were unaware that Russian had already moved so many vessels into Syrian territory following a Sept. 12 agreement between the two countries, DEBKAFfile, an Israeli news Web site, reported Friday. The military intelligence Web site said the agreement reached between Russian navy commander Adm. Vladimir Wysotsky and Syrian naval commander Gen. Taleb al-Barri allows Russia to use Syrian ports as long-term naval bases" (UPI Sept. 18, 2008). In January 2010, there was a report giving us an update on the Syrian port Russia is using. I quote, "Russia will finish the fundamental renovation at its naval logistics base in the Syrian port of Tartus by 2011, said the Navy's General Staff on Wednesday. Having been upgrading the Tartus port for several years, the Navy's General Staff said in a statement that 'the main purpose is to develop logistics...to upgrade the existing coastal infrastructures and create new ones that will provide convenient moorage and stable supply for Russian ships pulling into Tartus with fuel, water, food and other supplies.'" If you have been following the news, you would have known what the "other supplies" were. They are weapons Russia has been transporting to Syria which have made their way into Lebanon and the Gaza Strip. These weapons include missiles, which the PLO has been launching into Israel from Gaza.

Let me pull the pieces of the puzzle together for you. God told Ezekiel Libya would be destroyed. Isaiah was told the same thing concerning Syria. All of a sudden in these last days, both Libya and Syria in the past few months now have parts of the Russian fleet docked in their ports. Both these nations all of a sudden set up Russian long-term bases. We can see both Isaiah 17:1 and Ezekiel chapter 38 forming right in front of us. Syria, who just made a strong alliance with Iran, has now made a strong alliance with Russia. On August 21, 2008 we read that "Syria raised the prospect yesterday of having Russian missiles on its soil, sparking fears of a new Cold War in the Middle East. President Assad said as he arrived in Moscow to clinch a series of military agreements: 'We are ready to co-operate with Russia in any project that can strengthen its **security**.'" This is very important because if Israel decides to hit Syria and takes out those Russian missiles, it could fulfill Isaiah 17:1 and cause the start of Ezekiel 38. Therefore, this may be the reason why Syria is not listed in the nations which attack in Ezekiel's prophecy.

One might ask, "Is Syria getting ready to invade Israel?" I will let you determine the answer, but you need to have some more evidence this war is near. On October 7, 2008 a Middle East Times article stated, "Israel Threatens to Decimate Lebanon." The report released from Jerusalem states, "Three senior Israeli military

commanders have threatened to decimate Lebanon's infrastructure with disproportionate firepower, wipe out villages in the south from where they believe attacks on Israel originate and to treat both the Lebanese government and the entire country as the enemy not just Hezbollah, in the next war. In an interview Friday with the Israeli daily Yedioth Ahronot, GOC Northern Command Gadi Eisenkot presented his 'Dahiyeh Doctrine.' This doctrine would allow the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) to expand its destructive power beyond what it demonstrated two years ago against the Beirut suburb." You may be asking, "What do the Lebanese have to do with an Israeli attack?" Over the past year, Syria has been sending arms into Lebanon and putting these arms in the hands of Israel's enemy, Hizbullah. We now know the Russians will be shielding Syria from any Israeli attack. From the UPI report entitled, "Swords and Shields: Russia shields Syria" I quote, "The increased Russian naval presence in the region means that the Kremlin is seeking to cultivate Syria as a close regional ally, and is seeking to secure additional bases for the Black Sea Fleet in addition to its current base in the Black Sea port of Sevastopol. In addition, Russia would also be able to deploy electronic intelligence-gathering ships that could then improve its monitoring capabilities against NATO forces and Syria's ability to monitor NATO and Israeli transmissions, expanding the previous naval intelligence engagement during the Balkan wars. Finally, Russian naval forces could deter or disrupt Israeli naval or air assets deployed in wartime against Syria or Hezbollah in Lebanon" (Oct. 16, 2008).

To make matters even worse, on October 31, 2008 The Jerusalem Post wrote a report saying, "Syria has boosted its troop deployment near the Lebanese border up to the Bekaa valley region." The Jerusalem Post also informed us, "Some 3,000 heavily armed troops were reportedly deployed in the area." I hope you took notice of what Israel said in the above paragraph. She said, "in the next war." Israel knows another war is coming, and she is preparing for it. If you don't believe my warning that Israel and Syria will clash soon, maybe you will believe Israel's Defense Ministry. "A military confrontation with Syria is likely to occur in the near future, Maj.-Gen. (res.) Amos Gilad, who heads the Defense Ministry's Diplomatic-Security Bureau, warned on Tuesday. Such a clash almost occurred in the summer of 2006, and Israel was now close to returning to that point, he said. 'We're on a collision course with Syria,' Gilad told the ninth annual Herzliya Conference at the Interdisciplinary Center in Herzliya" (The Jerusalem Post Feb. 4, 2009).

"Last weekend, a conference held under the title 'Gaza the victory' took place at hotel near Istanbul's Ataturk airport. The conference brought 200 Sunni clerics and activists together with senior, Damascus-based Hamas officials... The gathering in Istanbul is significant for two reasons. First, it showcases the continued efforts by Islamist movements to present the Gaza events as a watershed dividing the path of 'resistance,' which they favor, from the path of 'collaboration' that they accuse leading Arab states of following. Second, and perhaps more important, the location of the conference is a further indication of the move of the Islamist AKP government in Turkey toward a more and more open alignment with anti-Western and anti-Israeli forces in the region. The conference organizers themselves were aware of the significance of the event's location. One of them told a BBC journalist attending the event, 'During the past 100 years relations [between Arabs and Turks] have been strained, but Palestine has brought us together'" (The Jerusalem Post Feb. 19, 2009). Do you know the significance of this? What this news is showing us is the Muslims are all putting aside their differences and are focusing on Israel. Since Syria has a major role in the current events and is supporting Hamas in Damascus, one can see why Israel may be forced to destroy Damascus soon. Another reason why Israel may destroy Damascus is because it was just disclosed Syria is building a chemical weapons plant. "Syria has been conducting extensive construction work on a chemical weapons facility in the country's northwest, satellite images obtained by the defense analyst group Jane's reveal" (The Jerusalem Post Feb. 17, 2009). Let us not forget what happened in 2007 when Israel obtained images that Syria was building a nuclear plant. Israel sent in her jets and destroyed Syria's nuclear site. There is the chance that Israel will strike Syria again to stop this chemical weapons facility. Whatever the reason, we know these are the last days, and the destruction of Damascus is very near.

I already covered how Libya fits into the Ezekiel war, but look who has joined with Libya? I quote from a report entitled, "Assad, Gaddafi say Arab countries must unite against Israel." "Syrian President Bashar Assad met Sunday afternoon in Tripoli with Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi. Official Syrian news agency SANA reported that the two leaders stressed during the meeting that Arab countries must overcome their differences in order to promote their shared interests. "The challenges facing the Arab nation, and especially the oppressing blockade imposed by the Israeli occupation authorities on the Palestinian people in the Gaza Strip and the obstacles placed by Israel ahead of achieving peace in the region, force all Arab countries to overcome the differences and stand together in a way which will increase the joint Arab activity," the two leaders said in a joint statement" (Ynetnews.com Jan. 24, 2010). Assad has been preparing for another war with Israel, and he is uniting himself with the exact nations that will help fulfill the Ezekiel prophecy.

In March, 2011 Syria broke out in civil war as a result of violence flaring up in Daraa after a group of teens and children were arrested for writing political graffiti. Dozens of people were killed when security forces cracked down on demonstrations and that event sparked a civil war. Since March, 2011 President Assad has been fighting Syrian rebels to maintain his power. In June, of 2014 "ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) militants stepped into the civil war and they declared they have established a "caliphate" in the territory they control, stretching from Aleppo in north-western Syria to the eastern Iraqi province of Diyala. As of November, 2014 ISIS is still making advances toward over running Assad's government. As far as Israel is concerned it really doesn't matter if President Assad can defeat ISIS or, if ISIS over runs Assad. Both Assad and ISIS have pledged to wipe out Israel. The difference between Assad's regime and ISIS is even more brutal.

We are going to witness Isaiah 17:1 fulfilled very soon as the destruction of Syria has already begun. If ISIS continues to move the way they are currently in Syria Israel will no doubt be forced to confront ISIS head on which could lead to finishing off the Isaiah 17:1 prophecy. Now that you know why Syria is not mentioned in Ezekiel's list of names that attack Israel with Russia, I want to move on to the nations which are on that list.

Iran, Iraq, and Afghanistan : You can watch the news on any given week in 2009, and you will see how much these nations despise Israel. First, let me give you some facts about these nations. These nations make up what used to be Persia of the Old Testament. On July 17, 1995, Iran and Iraq formed a new friendship pact. "In a stunning geopolitical development, two ancient enemies have agreed to patch up their differences in the face of greater danger from the Israel-America axis" ([The Spot Light](http://TheSpotLight.com) , July 17, 1995, p.1). It is common knowledge the president of Iraq would not hesitate to invade the Holy Land. The former President Saddam Hussein knew his forces alone were no match for Israel. However, during the Desert Storm War, Hussein tried to force Israel to attack his nation when he launched scud missiles on Israel. Saddam was hoping Israel would retaliate. At the request of the United States, Israel kept out of the conflict. If Israel had made a move against Hussein, Israel's aggression may have united the other Arabs and caused the attack God warned us about. In April 2003, Saddam disappeared from power, but in the future this Iraqi state under new leadership will join forces to attack Israel just as God warned. As you read the rest of this chapter, you will learn that Russia has a stake in all the nations listed to attack Israel. You will learn that Russia has been wiping out the debts of these nations and for good reason. It is one of the ways Russia has tied themselves to these nations. As far as Iraq is concerned, news from Moscow reported, "Iraq's foreign minister won a long-sought agreement on Monday to write off most of Iraq's \$12.9 billion in debt to Russia, much of it dating to before the first gulf war when Saddam Hussein government purchased Soviet weapons. Russia had, in principle, agreed to write off the debt as far back as 2004 but had been dragging its feet hoping for assurances that the United States-backed government in Baghdad would honor a large Russian oil claim, also dating to the Hussein era. On Monday, Iraq's foreign minister, Hoshyar Zebari, offered no public guarantees. Russian officials said they had won an assurance of favorable treatment, at least. In

exchange, Russia will write off all but \$900 million of the debt. Russia agreed to invest \$4 billion in Iraq, including the Iraqi oil industry.

How about Iran? Does Iran really want to take Israel out once and for all? Let me present the stepping stones that have been paving the way for Iran to engage in the Israeli invasion with Russia. This Associated Press article summed it up best: "An Iranian leader has called on other Moslem nations to help build an army of 50, 60, or 70 million to march on Israel held Jerusalem" (The Los Angeles Times Nov. 17, 1979, p.1). At the time this report was written, Iran was engaged in war with Iraq. Iran planned to conquer Iraq; Once this was accomplished, Iran would unite with Syria and invade Israel. For six years Iran and Iraq fought as bitter enemies. In the 1980s these two nations were bent on destroying each other. Now, however, they have a new friendship pact agreeing to unite their armed forces. In Ezekiel's prophecy it says there will be so many people invading Israel, it will look like a cloud covering the land. If 50, 60, or 70 million people were to attack Israel, it would look just like Ezekiel had described it. The vision by Iran's government, which was headed by Ayatollah Ali Khamanei back in 1979, is the same now. The current president of Iran is Ahmadinejad, and you will read later that his vision is just like Khamanei's - to wipe Israel off the face of the earth. The Iranians hated Israel in 1979, and they still hate her today. Iran may have a new leader in 2008, but the message for Israel is still the same: Iran wants to destroy Israel. The handwriting is on the wall. This attack will come. As a matter of fact, Ahmadinejad wants war with Israel and is pushing for this war to begin soon. Although many years have passed, the goal to destroy Israel has kept burning.

On the front page of the October 27, 2000 issue of the Iranian Times, Khamenehi showed his real disgust for Israel. " Khamenehi says the only cure for the current trouble in the Middle East is to 'destroy the root' of Zionism but he has carefully avoided saying the Islamic Republic would take any action to aid the destruction." It is true Khamenehi has avoided military action against Israel up to this point; However, as Khamenehi addressed 110,000 Basiji fighters, they chanted back at Khamenehi saying, "Ready, Leader, we are ready." To clarify where the Basiji's are ready to go, I cite another section on page 4, which says, "These 110,000 Basijis are ready to go-if necessary, directly from here to Palestine." When Khamenehi said, "There is only one remedy; there is only one cure.... This is to destroy the root and cause of the crisis. What is the root? It is the Zionist regime, a regime imposed on the region" (Ibid. p.4). In other words, Khamenehi was saying to attack and destroy the Zionist regime (Israel). Iran has been yearning to destroy Israel for years. Since the Israeli and Palestinian peace talks have broken off, Iran has found the excuse for the attack. With each passing year, all these nations have continued to forge strong alliances. In 2005 we see new signs of these friendships. For example Iran and Syria just made another pact. Details of this pact are given to us in the Guardian on February 17, 2005. "Iran and Syria heightened tension across the Middle East and directly confronted the Bush administration yesterday by declaring they had formed a mutual self-defense pact to confront the 'threats' now facing them. The move, which took the Foreign Office by surprise, was announced after a meeting in Tehran between the Iranian vice-president, Mohammed Reza Aref, and the Syrian prime minister, Naji al-Otari. 'At this sensitive point, the two countries require a united front due to numerous challenges,' said Mr. Otari."

A report in the World Tribune, just prior to 2002, explained Iran carried its hatred for Israel over into 2002. "One of Iran's most influential ruling clerics called on the Muslim states to use a nuclear weapon against Israel, assuring them that while such an attack would annihilate Israel, it would cost them 'damages only'" (World Tribune.com Dec. 18, 2001). It is a frightening thought to think a nation's leader is thinking of using a nuclear weapon and really believes he can win. The only real friend Israel has is the United States. When the US heard what Iran said about using a nuke against Israel, the United States jumped into the fray. In 2003, "Secretary of State Colin Powell says Iran must stop its drive for weapons of mass destruction and Syria must end its support for terrorism" (ABC News.com March 31, 2003). In that same report, "Rumsfeld on Friday accused Syria of supplying military technology to Iraq...He also said the United States would hold Iran responsible for the entry of Iran-sponsored forces into Iraq...Carrying the threat a step forward, Powell on Sunday demanded Iran 'stop its support for terrorism against Israel'" (Ibid.). Does Iran

really want to destroy Israel today as God warned it would? The headlines "Wipe Israel from map, says Iran's president" were on a [FT.com](#) report on October 26, 2005. I quote: "Mahmoud Ahmadi-Nejad, Iran's fundamentalist president, on Wednesday declared that Israel should be 'wiped off the map' and warned Arab countries against developing economic ties with Israel in response to its withdrawal from Gaza. His remarks, delivered at a conference in Tehran entitled 'A World without Zionism', led to diplomatic protests by the UK, France and Spain, while Shimon Peres, Israel's deputy prime minister, said Iran should be expelled from the United Nations." If you follow the news, it isn't difficult to see how all the nations mentioned in Ezekiel 38 have become partners for the future attack on Israel. Always keep in mind these are the very nations God told us to watch in the end times. There's no doubt in the near future a leader like Mahmoud Ahmadi-Nejad will try to destroy the nation Israel. Iran has also been supporting the Islamic Jihad against Israel, and on August 23, 2005 the leader of the Jihad organization "boasted all Palestinian groups remain united in the goal of annihilating the Jewish state of Israel" ([WorldNetDaily](#)).

In 2006 Iran stepped up the threat of an attack against Israel. Let me give you several examples of what I am talking about. The following are statements made by Iran's President. "Like it or not, the Zionist regime is heading toward annihilation," Ahmadinejad said at the opening of a conference in support of the Palestinians. "The Zionist regime is a rotten, dried tree that will be eliminated by one storm" ([Breitbart.com](#) April 14, 2006). "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad on Monday renewed his criticism of Israel, calling it a 'fake regime' that cannot continue to exist" ([Associated Press](#) April 24, 2006). From Jakarta, Indonesia - "Iran's president on Thursday intensified his attacks against Israel calling it a 'tyrannical regime that will one day be destroyed'" ([AP Yahoo News](#) May, 11 2006). Review history in Germany, and you will see the Germans put badges on all the Jews to mark them. Shortly after that happened, the Germans began to take the Jews away to have them killed. Hitler's plan was to kill off all the Jews. Today "Human rights groups are raising alarms over a new law passed by the Iranian parliament that would require the country's Jews and Christians to wear colored badges to identify them and other religious minorities as non-Muslims. 'This is reminiscent of the Holocaust,' said Rabbi Marvin Hier, the dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles. 'Iran is moving closer and closer to the ideology of the Nazis'" ([canada.com](#) (National Post) May 19, 2006). I am telling you this attack is coming, and you will witness the Word of God come to pass! One very important key to the Ezekiel 38 prophecy is this: Russia would lead the attack on Israel. Russia today is aligned with every one of the nations God listed in that Ezekiel 38 prophecy, and it is especially close with Iran. How close are the two nations? You will notice the answer in the time line below when Iran reveals its stance toward an attack on Iran dated October 26, 2007. "An American attack on Iran will be viewed by Moscow as an attack on Russia" ([Asia Times](#) Oct. 26, 2007). Now, are you going to tell me God didn't warn us about this alliance? In December 2007 [The Jerusalem Post](#) ran a new report entitled, "War with Iran may be unavoidable." Here is a section of what they reported; they are quoting Ron Prosor who served as Prime Minister Ehud Olmert's senior adviser on Iran. "At the current rate of progress Iran will reach the technical threshold for producing fissile material by 2009." He told the British newspaper, "This is a global threat and it requires a global response. It should be made clear that if Iran does not cooperate then military confrontation is inevitable. It is either co-operation or confrontation" (Dec. 9, 2007). Not only is Iran pressing for nuclear weapons, but it is sending arms to allies in Gaza. "The Israeli army on Monday said that all the long-range rockets fired by Gaza militants against southern Israel during the latest round of violence were manufactured in arch-foe Iran" ([breitbart.com](#) May 3, 2008).

Since Iran and Russia are main players in the Ezekiel war against Israel, I want to give you what I call "footsteps to war." The following news reports are in order by date. I want to show you the war language both Iran and Israel are using against each other and how Russia is connected to all this. Over the course of months, the war language has accelerated, and it appears the Ezekiel war is just around the bend. Keep in mind that these events are all signs of the last days' birth pains Jesus warned us about in Mark 13:8 . Is it true we are running out of time before this attack is played out? Yes, all current events suggest this to be the case as you will see.

October 26, 2007 - Let me begin this section by quoting a statement released by Russia. "A high-level diplomatic source in Tehran tells Asia Times Online that essentially Putin and the Supreme Leader have agreed on a plan to nullify the George W Bush administration's relentless drive towards launching a preemptive attack, perhaps a tactical nuclear strike, against Iran. An American **attack on Iran will be viewed by Moscow as an attack on Russia** " ([Asia Times](#) Oct. 26, 2007). This statement is extremely important because God told us Russia would be the nation that leads the end times attack against Israel. The Russian statement puts Ezekiel's warning about Russia in the realm of reality. Since Iran is one of Russia's closest allies, you can see the connection between what God warned for the last days and what is currently taking place. There is no question that if Israel attacks Iran's nuclear power plant, Russia will invade Israel. Russia will see an Israeli attack as if it were the Americans doing the attacking. In Ezekiel 38:4 God shows us that He is going to put hooks into the jaws of Israel's enemies and drag them down against Israel. It is possible that Iran's nuclear power plant Russia is building could be the hook in the jaw. If Israel were to bomb this nuclear site in Iran, it just might force Russia to invade Israel. After all, Russia did warn, “ **attack on Iran will be viewed by Moscow as an attack on Russia.** ”

May 7, 2008 - “Iran's first nuclear power plant located on the shores of the Gulf could come online as early as September, it emerged yesterday” ([Daily News](#) May 7, 2008). In May the world was told Iran's nuclear site would go online in September. This makes the flags go up because the Feast of Trumpets is celebrated this year on September 29-30. This is the Feast when Jesus will come back to rapture His Church. We don't know for sure if this year's Feast of Trumpets will be the year Jesus will actually remove His believers, but we must be ready just in case it is. We must pay special attention now because if Iran is hit by Israel and Israel is attacked by the nations in Ezekiel's prophecy, it just heightens our watch for Christ. In any case, we know Israel will take out Iran's nuclear site before it is fired up.

May 8, 2008 - In speaking about the nuclear plant in Iran, this report stated, “What is beyond dispute, however, is that the longer the Israelis wait, the more resistant the Iranians become to a military solution, particularly if they install those Russian anti-aircraft systems” ([Newsweek](#) May 8, 2008).

May 13, 2008 - Six days after finding out the Iranian nuclear plant will start up in September, we found out the "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Tuesday that **Israel would 'be soon swept away'** from the Palestinian Territories by the Palestinians. It is the second time within less than three years that the Iranian president predicted the **eradication of the Jewish state**" ([The Earth Times](#) May 13, 2008). In May 2008 Iran began to tell Israel it will destroy her, and Israel has taken the warning to heart. The first time Ahmadinejad said he would destroy Israel was in 2005. Ahmadinejad knows if Iran has nuclear power in September, it will be used on Israel so he doesn't seem to have any problems telling the world he is going to wipe out Israel!

May 22, 2008 - Is Iran serious about destroying Israel? Here's the news and proof. "An Iranian university is holding an international conference on the **liquidation of the Jewish state** , according to Iran's state run news service. 'Iranian Justice Seeking University Students Movement and University Students Mobilization Basij will jointly sponsor **International Conference on Israel's End** on May 26th, 2008,' the government-run IRNA News Agency reported" ([Israel National News.com](#) May 22, 2008). The fact is that God warned of this coming attack, and Israel's enemies are planning to fulfill God's Words concerning this short-lived war.

May 22, 2008 - On the 22nd^{of} May, another nation listed in Ezekiel's prophecy hit the headlines. I have been warning everyone since 1978 Russia and Libya would be the best of friends in the last days and would partner up in the attack against Israel. Current events show that is exactly what is going down right now. For example, “MOSCOW - Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin on Tuesday promised Libya's leader Moamer Gathafi that Moscow would buttress **economic and military ties** with Tripoli, the government news service said” ([Middle East Online](#) May 22, 2008). “Libya has had its debt to the Soviet Union waived

in return for important contracts to Russian companies” (Ibid.). “Libya had been an important ally of the Soviet Union and a faithful client of Soviet arms. However, ties between the two nations cooled after the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991” (Ibid.). While Iran and Russia are in the center stage surrounding the nuclear site, nations listed in Ezekiel are getting closer and forming new partnerships. Just how much of Libya's debt did Russia wipe away? "Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi and Russian President Vladimir Putin wrapped up Thursday two days of meetings in Tripoli with Russia writing off **US\$4.5 billion** in Libyan debt in exchange for multibillion dollar deals for its firms, a Libyan oil official said" ([USA Today](#) April 17, 2008). When the time comes for Russia to attack Israel, Libya will owe a huge favor to Russia. Can you guess what that favor will be? It will be “Join with us to destroy Israel.”

June 2, 2008 - "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad predicted on Monday that Muslims would uproot 'satanic powers' and repeated his controversial belief that **Israel will soon disappear** , the Mehr news agency reported. 'I must announce that the Zionist regime (Israel), with a 60-year record of genocide, plunder, invasion and betrayal is **about to die and will soon be erased from the geographical scene** ,' he said" ([Breitbart.com](#) June 2, 2008).

June 6, 2008 - In this next report, we see Israel is aware time is running out for her. Israel knows she must strike the Iranian nuclear site very soon. I quote, "An Israeli deputy prime minister on Friday warned that Iran would face attack if it pursues what he said was its nuclear weapons program . 'If Iran continues its nuclear weapons program , we will attack it,' said Shaul Mofaz, who is also transportation minister. 'Other options are disappearing'" ([Breitbart.com](#) June 6, 2008).

June 7, 2008 - Ezekiel 38 shows Russia will lead the coming attack on Israel. Once Israel hits the Iranian plant, Russia will force its hand and form the coalition of nations discussed in Ezekiel. Russia is helping Iran build its nuclear power site. “Russian news agencies said Saturday that preparations for the startup of a nuclear power plant in Iran **will begin this autumn** ... The agencies quoted Russian nuclear agency chief Sergei Kiriyenko as saying builders are in the **final stages** of work on the plant near the city of Bushehr” ([Ynetnews.com](#) June 7, 2008). There are two important pieces of information in this report. First, the final stages will take place around the Feast of Trumpets, which just may fulfill the prophecy that Jesus will take His church away. Second, Israel has already stated she will have to destroy that power plant before it starts up so we are getting very close to this attack.

June 10, 2008 - Here is more news showing Israel means business concerning the attack on Iran's nuclear site. "Israel has reportedly started to set up an 'Iran Command' within its air force as part of **preparations for a possible war against Iran** . According to reports by unnamed Israeli military sources, the regime's air force has launched 'Iran Command' to coordinate operations to 'confront the growing threat from Tehran'" ([PressTV](#) June 10, 2008).

June 20, 2008 - News out of Washington said, "US military officials say a big Israeli military exercise was aimed partly at showing Jerusalem's abilities to **attack Iranian nuclear** facilities. Two Pentagon officials say that Israel sent dozens of aircraft on a large-scale exercise in the Eastern Mediterranean early this month" ([Daily News](#) June 20, 2008). In the next news report below, you will see how Iran felt about Israel's show of force.

June 20, 2008 - "Iran on Friday warned Israel it would retaliate to an attack with a 'strong blow,' after the New York Times reported that the IAF had conducted a drill, apparently **for a strike against the Islamic republic** . 'If enemies, especially Israelis and their supporters in the United States, would want to use a language of force, they should rest assured that they will receive a strong blow in the mouth,' senior cleric Ayatollah Ahmad Khatami was quoted by AFP as saying during a Friday prayers sermon, which was also broadcast live on state radio” ([The Jerusalem Post](#) June 20, 2008). This is the reason why I am asking you

all to pay attention to this region. Both sides are warning each other an attack is coming, and God has confirmed this war in Ezekiel 38-39.

June 20, 2008 - "Israel carried out a major military exercise earlier this month that American officials say appeared to be a rehearsal for a potential **bombing attack on Iran's** nuclear facilities" ([International Herald Tribune](#) June 20, 2008). The Bible says the wise will understand what is happening in the end times. If you can't see what is taking place and why these things are happening, you are not ready for this next Middle East war! Israel is getting ready to attack Iran.

June 21, 2008 - Tensions in the Middle East are growing as nations around the world worry a major war is coming again in the Middle East. The headlines of the [Spero News](#) read as follows: "Tensions grow between Israel and Iran." I quote, "UN diplomat Mohamed ElBaradei warned on June 21 that an attack on Iran in reaction to its **nuclear weapons program** would turn the 'Middle East region into a **ball of fire**.' Speaking in an interview with Al-Arabiya television, the Egyptian-born official of the United Nations said 'A military strike (against Iran) would in my opinion be worse than anything else.' ElBaradei, who has been head of the International Atomic Energy Agency since 1997, said any attack by Israel on Iran's nuclear facilities would harden the latter's posture. 'A military strike would spark the launch of an emergency program to make atomic weapons, with the support of all Iranians, including those living abroad,' he said. The urbane and US-trained diplomat warned that he would not be able to continue as head of IAEA in the event of an attack on Iran" ([Spero News](#) June 21, 2008). This report is interesting because Ezekiel 39:6 speaks of **fire** coming down on Israel's attackers. After years of telling the world Iran isn't trying to obtain nuclear weapons but wants the power plant for nuclear energy, the truth was finally revealed. Iran does have a **nuclear weapons program**. Israel has known this for a long time and has waited for the UN to defuse this pending crisis but hasn't seen any real results.

June 22, 2008 - "In a new editorial published by AntiWar.com, former CIA officer Ray McGovern states that he believes 'a perfect storm seems to be gathering in late summer or early fall,' when the Bush administration and allies in Israel will launch attacks against Iran" ([The Raw Story](#) June 22, 2008). As you can see, there is no lack of news about plans being put together for this coming attack against the Iranian nuclear power site.

June 29, 2008 - "A former head of Israel's Mossad foreign intelligence agency said in comments published on Sunday that the Jewish state had one year to destroy Iran's nuclear program or **face the risk of coming under nuclear attack**. "What was Iran's response to this? "Iran is to dig 320,000 graves in border districts to allow for the burial of enemy soldiers in the event of any attack on its territory, a top commander said on Sunday" ([Breitbart.com](#) June 29, 2008).

June 30, 2008 - One day after Iran said it was digging graves for the fallen dead, "Senior Pentagon officials are concerned that Israel could carry out an attack on Iran's nuclear facilities **before the end of the year**, an action that would have enormous security and economic repercussions for the United States and the rest of the world" ([ABC News](#) June 30, 2008). Government officials are worried Israel will strike Iran's nuclear site, which in turn will force Iran to attack Israel. This one act could set off Ezekiel's prophecy and toss this planet into the tribulation!

July 2, 2008 - Don't you think Russia knows what will happen if Israel takes out Iran's nuclear power plant? It knows the Russians will be forced to come to Iran's aid. Here is a short look at what Russia stated about an Israeli attack. "Any military attack on Iran would have a '**catastrophic**' effect on the Middle East, a Russian foreign ministry official said Wednesday after reports that **Israel might launch such an attack**" ([Moscow \(AFP\)](#) July 2, 2008).

July 8, 2008 - More warnings! "The Zionist regime is pressing White House officials to attack Iran. If they commit such a stupidity, Tel Aviv and US shipping in the Persian Gulf will be Iran's first targets and they will be burned,' Shirazi was quoted as saying" ([Yahoo News](#) July 8, 2008).

July 9, 2008 - "Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards fired the missiles during war games that high-ranking military officials say are a response to US and Israeli threats. Gen. Hossein Salami, a top commander, was quoted on state television saying the exercise 'is to demonstrate our resolve and might against enemies who in recent weeks have threatened Iran with harsh language'" ([Yahoo Finance](#) July 9, 2008).

July 27, 2008 - If you listened to my radio interview, I told you Iran's President wants war so he can force the Muslim savior out of hiding. Their savior is referred to as the Mahdi or the 12th ^{Imam}. Ahmadinejad wants him to come to destroy Israel. I quote. "But before the Mahdi's return, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad believes there must be **global chaos - even if he has to create it himself** . Whether it's his belief that Israel should be wiped off the map, denials of the Holocaust, obsession with going nuclear, or support for radical Islamic terrorist groups, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is a man on a divine mission" ([CBN News](#) July 17, 2008). It does appear Ahmadinejad is the right man to start the Ezekiel war one way or another!

August 1, 2008 - More pressure on Israel comes when she finds out Iran may obtain a nuclear weapon sooner than she thought it would. News from [Bloomberg](#) stated, "Iran is on a path toward a 'major breakthrough' in its nuclear program that is unacceptable,' Israeli Deputy Prime Minister Shaul Mofaz told a Washington audience today. 'It is an existential threat,' Mofaz said at a forum on Iran at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. 'We have to make sure we are prepared for every option'" ([Bloomberg.com](#) Aug. 1, 2008). By now I don't need to tell you what option Israel is speaking about. However, just in case you don't know, she is talking about the option of attacking Iran. "The comments from Mofaz, who also serves as transportation minister, echoed statements he made last month to the Jerusalem Post that 'all options are on the table. If there won't be a choice other than a nuclear Iran or a military option, it's clear what our decision has to be'" (Ibid.). As it stands right now, Iran is not giving Israel any options except to attack it and destroy that nuclear site. I want to stress again that this is what Iran's president wants Israel to do.

August 7, 2008 - "Tehran will consider any military action against its nuclear facilities as **the beginning of a war** , Iran's official news agency IRNA reported Friday. The commander of Iran's Revolutionary Guards, General Mohammad Ali Jafari, was quoted as saying that any country that attacks Iran would regret doing so" ([HAARETZ.com](#) Aug. 7, 2008).

August 10, 2008 - As of August 2008, Iran has the Russians' antiaircraft system Israel feared it would get. "Iran has received first components of Russian S-300 ground-to-air radar systems. As The Cutting Edge News reports referring to its sources, they are still disassembled in boxes and undeployed. It's not impossible that the weapon has been delivered via Belarus" ([Charter'97 Press Center](#) July 29, 2008). Belarus is a nation that borders Russia. The point here is Russia is helping Iran get set for the next war.

August 11, 2008 - Jesus in Matthew 24:7 told us we would see wars in the end times. The Ezekiel war is one of those wars. Does it surprise you that Russia currently has just invaded Georgia and in three days' time has already cut that state in half? I quote, "Russian forces seized several towns and a military base deep in western Georgia on Monday, opening a second front in the fighting. Georgia's president said his country had been effectively cut in half with the capture of the main east-west highway near Gori" ([Breitbart.com](#) Aug. 11, 2008). Russia moved swiftly and didn't care what the world thought about its invading another nation. When Israel strikes at Russia's ally Iran, Russia will move just as swiftly to invade Israel. We haven't seen Russia this aggressive in many years so why now? The answer is clear because we have reached the final days in prophecy, and there are only a few prophecies left to be fulfilled before the tribulation begins. The Ezekiel war is one of those prophecies that will launch the beginning of the seven

year tribulation. The UN and the US have told Russia to cease-fire, and all it did was step up its attack on the Georgian population. What is taking place right now is not only fulfilling Jesus' warning in Matthew 24, but it is also a sign that Ezekiel's war will also be fulfilled soon. As I said, Russia is doing what it wants no matter who wants it to stop. Russia is primed to fulfill everything God wrote about it. "Earlier in the day, Russian premier Vladimir Putin raised the stakes over the conflict by lashing out at the US as the fighting continued to escalate in the region. The Russian prime minister rejected calls from Georgia for a ceasefire and declared that his country would pursue its mission to its 'logical conclusion'" (thisislondon.co.uk Gug 11, 2008). This is a major sign in prophecy that Russia's war machine is on the move again and has allied with those nations listed in the Ezekiel prophecy.

August 11, 2008 - We saw another sign of how Russia and Iran are at odds with Israel in a report entitled, "**The Israeli Connection.**" Here is short section of that report. "The Georgian move against South Ossetia was motivated by political considerations having to do with Israel and Iran, according to *Nfc*. Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili decided to assert control over the breakaway region in order to force Israel to reconsider its decision to cut back its support for Georgia's military...Russian and Georgian media reported several days ago that Israel decided to stop its support for Georgia after Moscow made it clear to Jerusalem and Washington that Russia would respond to continued aid for Georgia by selling advanced anti-aircraft systems to Syria and Iran" (IsraelNN.com Aug. 10, 2008). For many years, people have been saying World War III would start over oil. All I know is that Israel seems to be at the heart of every issue. Israel is helping nations Russia opposes, and she is getting ready to attack Iran, a Russian ally. Whatever the reason, war is coming, and that massive army Ezekiel saw coming down on Israel will soon be destroyed by God.

August 13, 2008 - "Iran has repeatedly denied the allegations, insisting its the program is aimed solely at providing electricity for its growing population when its fossil fuels run out. Israel's Haaretz newspaper reported that Washington recently rejected an Israeli request for military equipment that US officials said indicated Israel was at the 'advanced stages' of preparing an attack" (Breitbart.com Aug. 13, 2008). Israel has tried to get the UN to stop Iran's nuclear plans without any results. When Israel says she is going to do something, she does it. This same type of warning went out to Iraq when it was building its nuclear plant. When Iraq didn't stop building the nuclear plant, Israel wiped it out. A year ago, Israel did the same thing to Syria's nuclear plant. Notice the report said Israel is in the "**advanced stages of preparing an attack.**" When you put all these prophecies together, you see where we are headed.

August 23, 2008 - Iran's President once again warns the world of his intentions of getting rid of Israel. "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad renewed his verbal attacks on arch-foe Israel on Saturday, accusing it of dragging the world into turmoil and **predicting its demise**" (Yahoo News). We were shown in Ezekiel 38 Iran was going to be a major player in the attack on Israel. As you can see by my time line, Iran is headed down the path to fulfill everything God said concerning Iran and its new partner Iraq.

November 25, 2008 - "Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called Tuesday on Lebanon's absurd ethnic groups to unite against their common enemy-Israel-the Iranian IRNA news agency reported" (The Jerusalem Post Nov. 25, 2008).

December 4, 2008 - Israel wants the blessings of the US, but she is going to attack whether she gets it or not. I quote, "The IDF is drawing up options for a strike on Iranian nuclear facilities that do not include coordination with the United States, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned. While its preference is to coordinate with the US, defense officials have said Israel is preparing a wide range of options for such an operation. 'It is always better to coordinate,' one top Defense Ministry official explained last week. 'But we are also preparing options that do not include coordination.' Israeli officials have said it would be difficult, but not impossible, to launch a strike against Iran without receiving codes from the US Air Force, which

controls Iraqi airspace. Israel also asked for the codes in 1991 during the First Gulf War, but the US refused” ([The Jerusalem Post](#) Dec. 4, 2008).

January 12, 2009 - It appears the labor pains Jesus warned us about are getting worse. "Informed sources in Washington tell [Newsmax](#) that Israel will indeed launch a strike against Iran's nuclear facilities soon – possibly in just days as President George W. Bush prepares to leave office. The reason: The time clock has begun to run out. Iran is close to acquiring a nuclear device under the control of its radical president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad" ([Newsmax.com](#) Jan. 12, 2009). We all know now that the attack on Iran's nuclear site did not take place before Bush left office, but the warnings have continued.

February 5, 2009 - A new warning is issued concerning Iran's nuclear reactor. “Russia plans to begin operating the nuclear reactor it has been building for Iran before the end of 2009, the Interfax News Agency quoted a top official as saying Thursday” ([Jerusalem Post](#) Feb. 5, 2009). This has put more pressure on Israel to do something about this problem.

February 8, 2009 - Israel responds to news that Russia will fire up Iran's nuclear site soon. “Israel will not allow arch-foe-Iran to develop nuclear weapons, no matter what the political make-up of the Israeli government, outgoing Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Sunday ahead of a national election” ([Reuters](#) Feb. 8, 2009).

February 10, 2009 - Moscow again makes a statement as to when the Iranian nuclear reactor will fire up. “Moscow pledged to complete Iran's Bushehr reactor on schedule-in the first half of this year” ([DEBKAF](#) Feb. 10, 2009). Notice in this same report, it was also stated, “Israeli frontrunner Binyamin Netanyahu promises if elected has pledged that Iran will not be allowed to acquire a nuclear weapon” (Ibid.). In February 2009 Netanyahu did get picked to lead Israel again.

March 4, 2009 - "While Netanyahu was forming his new government Israel attacked the PLO and Hamas in the Gaza. Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called on Wednesday for world Muslims to join the Palestinian 'resistance' against Israel as he kicked off a two-day summit in aid of war-torn Gaza ...' Support and help to Palestinians is a mandatory duty of all Muslims. I now tell all Muslim brothers and sisters to join forces and break the immunity of the Zionist criminals,' Khamenei said” ([Breitbart.com](#) March 4, 2009).

March 5, 2009 - Israel is seriously considering taking unilateral military action to stop Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons according to a report by top US political figures and experts released Wednesday. “The report also says Israel's time frame for action is growing shorter, not only because of Iranian advances, but because Tehran might soon acquire upgraded air defenses and disperse its nuclear program to additional locations” ([The Jerusalem Post](#) March 5, 2009). As you can see from this sequence of events, Israel and Iran are headed for a major conflict. Will this be the hook in the jaw that starts the invasion on Israel as seen in Ezekiel 38-39? By the way things are shaping up, I think we are going to find out very soon. If you want to watch any signs of the last days, this would be the one to watch.

April 10, 2009 - This report shows us that **Iraq** is going to align itself with Moscow. I quote from a news report out of Russia with a headline that reads, “ **Looking back at Washington, Baghdad wants to revive cooperation with Moscow.**” I quote, "The first official visit of Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to Moscow is not likely to be easy but it may become a breakthrough. The goal of the visit is to discuss economic and military cooperation with the Russian leaders. On April 10, he will meet President Dmitry Medvedev and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin for talks on a broad range of issues. The Iraqi Government's official spokesman Ali ad- Dabbag reported that during this visit, the prime minister will be accompanied by foreign, defense, and electrical power industry ministers, as well as a delegation of the national oil ministry...The overthrow of the Saddam Hussein regime in April 2003 set the beginning of

Iraq's new history and new relations with Russia. It is no secret that many Russian politicians and political scientists from the Old Guards, especially from the communist and liberal democratic parties, vigorously opposed the new Iraqi leaders, calling them George W. Bush's puppets. As distinct from them, the Kremlin did not stick labels but expressed its desire to cooperate with the new. Iraqi authorities. Receiving in the Kremlin head of the Temporary Governing Council of Iraq Abdel-Aziz al-Hakim in December 2003, President Vladimir Putin promised him to write off 80 percent of Iraq's ten billion debt and carried out his promise" ([Moscow News](#) April 10, 2009).

April 12, 2009 - Israel's Peres hints at possible strike on Iran. "President Shimon Peres had some unusually aggressive words for Iran Sunday, seemingly threatening military action if US President Barack Obama's overtures to the Islamic republic fail to bear fruit" ([The Jerusalem Post](#) April 12, 2009).

April 22, 2009 - We see Israel getting shocked as President Obama approves an arms sale. " [DEBKAF](#)file quotes senior Israeli military circles as staggered by the discovery that US president Barack Obama had approved a **large Turkish arms sale to the Lebanese** army, including the services of Turkish military instructors. This was taken as further proof that the US president is deaf to Israel's immediate security concerns. Lebanese president Gen. Michel Suleiman has more than once threatened neighboring Israel. When he signed the arms deal in Ankara Tuesday, April 21, he once again pledged publicly to place the Lebanese army at the disposal of the Shiite terrorist Hizballah in any confrontation with Israel. If that happened, said one Israeli source, Israel could find itself under attack not just by Hizballah as in the past, but by a Lebanese army, well trained and armed by Turkey. He noted that more than 50 percent of Lebanon's fighting manpower are Shiites loyal to Hizballah" ([DEBKAF](#)file April 22, 2009).

"Former Soviet dissident and Israeli politician Natan Sharansky tells Newsmax that **a military strike by Israel on Iran's nuclear facilities is inevitable if a diplomatic solution cannot be found** . In an exclusive Newsmax interview, he held out hope that an Iranian regime change from within could end the threat that would be posed by a nuclear-armed Islamic Republic. To that end, he said he would like to see 'support of the free world for Iranian democratic dissidents. Some of them I know personally very well. I still believe that there is a chance that there will be regime change.' But if that doesn't happen and diplomatic efforts fail, he said, Israel will be left with 'no choice but to deal with this problem. Israel cannot afford to live under the threat of extinction, of a new holocaust. And I can only hope that, if we'll have to do it, the free world will be standing with us'" ([Newsmax.com](#) Jan. 14, 2010). As you continue to read the news from the 2010 reports, you will see Iran isn't interested in any diplomatic solution to its nuclear weapons program.

On August 23, 2008 Iran promised to wipe out Israel. On January 26, **2010** Iran did it again. "Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei is confident Islamic nations will one day watch the **destruction of arch-foe Israel** , his website Wednesday quoted him as saying. Khamenei made the remark during a meeting with Mauritanian President Mohammed Ould Abdel Aziz in Tehran, the website said. The all-powerful Iranian leader also said that Israel's continued 'pressure to erase Palestine from the world of Islamic nations' will fail. 'Surely, the day will come when the **nations of the region will witness the destruction of the Zionist regime..** when the destruction happens will depend on how the Islamic nations approach the issue,' Khamenei told Aziz, who arrived in Tehran on Monday" ([AFP News](#) Jan. 26, 2010). Let the reader understand that the destruction Ayatollah is talking about will end up fulfilling the Ezekiel prophecy.

Most news agencies believe Israel is going to attack Iran before it can acquire a nuclear bomb. When you read the next report, you come to understand Iran is forcing Israel to initiate the attack. Iran's President made an announcement in February that has raised the level of tensions between Israel and Iran, and this announcement may speed up the next war. According to the [Daily Mail News](#), "Iran is now a 'nuclear state', President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad announced this morning. As Gordon Brown warned that the world's patience is wearing thin, Ahmadinejad told scores of cheering Iranians that the Islamic Republic is capable of producing weapons-grade uranium" ([dailymail.co.uk](#) Feb. 11, 2010). An announcement such as this is

like Iran holding up a sign in front of Israel saying, "I dare you to attack us." Keep in mind that Iran is praying for this, and I am not kidding. The [Ynetnews.com](http://ynetnews.com) on January 19, 2010 reported, "Iranian exile Mahmoud Karimi Hakak said during a conference at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem that 'Khamenei and Ahmadinejad pray five times a day that Israel or the United States would attack its nuclear facilities. It would be a mistake that would **unify the public**.'" Those of us who know Bible prophecy understand that God is going to give Iran more than they ask for.

On February 11, 2010, "Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Israel should be resisted and **finished off if** it launched military action in the region, state broadcaster IRIB reported on Thursday. Ahmadeinjad's comments were made when the president spoke over the telephone with his Syrian counterpart late on Wednesday. Last week, Syria -- a key regional ally of Iran -- accused Israel of pushing the Middle East **toward a new war...** Ahmadinejad, who has often **predicted the imminent demise of the Jewish state**, said Iran would remain on the side of regional nations including Syria, Lebanon and Palestine" (Yahoo News Reuters Feb. 11, 2010). Of course Syria, Lebanon, and Palestine will be wiped out by Israel prior to the Ezekiel war as noted in Chapter 9.

June 11, 2010 Iran's President once again makes reference to wiping out Israel. I quote, "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said on Friday Israel was "doomed" and singled out US President Barack Obama for scorn, blaming Washington for orchestrating new nuclear sanctions against Tehran." "It is clear the United States is not against nuclear bombs because they have a Zionist regime with nuclear bombs in the region," he said. "They are trying to save the Zionist regime, but the Zionist regime will not survive. It is doomed." Israel, which has the Middle East's sole if undeclared nuclear arsenal, regards Iran as its main threat after repeated predictions by Ahmadinejad of the Jewish state's demise."

On June 28, 2010, it appears ships have moved into position off the coast of Iran to do battle with Iran over their nuclear weapons program. "Third US carrier, 4,000 Marines augment US armada opposite Iran" DEBKAFfiles's military sources report that Washington has posted a third carrier opposite Iran's shores. It is supported by amphibious assault ships and up to 4,000 Navy and Marine Corps personnel, bringing the total US strength in these waters to three carriers and 10,000 combat personnel. The *USS Nassau* (LHA-4) Amphibious Ready Group 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, tasked with supporting the Bahrain-based 5th Fleet area of operations, is cruising around the Bab al-Mandeb Straits where the Gulf of Aden flows into the Red Sea. Its presence there accounts for Tehran announcing Sunday, June 27 that its "aid ship for Gaza" had been called off, for fear an American military boarding party would intercept the vessel and search it. This would be permissible under the latest UN sanctions punishing the Islamic Republic for its nuclear program" (DEBKAFfile June 28, 2010).

July 6, 2010, In a rare move, Iran has declared a **state of war** on its northwestern border, debkafile's military and Iranian sources report. Iranian Revolutionary Guards Corps men and equipment units are being massed in the Caspian Sea region against what Tehran claims are US and Israeli forces concentrated on army and air bases in Azerbaijan ready to strike Iran's nuclear facilities. The announcement came Israel has secretly transferred a large number of bomber jets to bases in Azerbaijan, via Georgia, and that American special forces are also concentrated in Azerbaijan in preparation for a strike on Tuesday, June 22 from Brig.-Gen Mehdi Moini of the Revolutionary Guards (IRGC), commander of the forces tasked with "repelling" this American-Israeli offensive. He said: "The mobilization is due to the presence of **American and Israeli forces on the western border**," adding, "Reinforcements are being dispatched to West Azerbaijan Province because some western countries are fueling ethnic conflicts to destabilize the situation in the region." In the past, Iranian officials have spoken of US and Israel attacks in general terms. debkafile's Iranian sources note that this is the first time that a specific location was mentioned and large reinforcements dispatched to give the threat substance. Other Iranian sources report that in the last few days, **Israel has secretly transferred a large number of bomber jets to bases in Azerbaijan, via Georgia, and that**

American special forces are also concentrated in Azerbaijan in preparation for a strike " ([DEBKAFfile](#) July 6, 2010). Each month that passes we witness news pointing to a major war that will in the end cause the fulfillment of both the Psalm 83 and Ezekiel 38 wars.

"Iran will launch its first nuclear power plant by late **September** , its nuclear agency's chief said. An important final test was recently carried out at the Bushehr reactor, Ali Akbar Salehi, the head of the Islamic state's Atomic Energy Organization, said Wednesday, according to the official IRNA news agency. The report did not say when the warm-water tests had been carried out, according to Reuters. The nuclear reactor is a joint project with Russia and has cost upwards of \$1 billion. Progress has been delayed on the plant at least five times in the past 15 years" ([JTA-Jewish & Israel News](#) July 7, 2010). Many prophecies have been fulfilled during the Jewish Feasts. Iran is supposed to fire up its nuclear power plant in September. The Jewish Feasts of Rosh Hashanah starts **Sept. 9, 2010, and Yom Kippur starts Sept. 18, 2010** . Is it possible the war that will lead up to the Psalm 83 war and Ezekiel 38 war will begin with an attack on Iran in September? We will see.

Iran's leader is still calling for Israel's destruction in 2011. "A feature-length documentary film, produced by a top adviser to Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, claims that the cataclysmic events that will usher in an era of Muslim world domination are about to begin, triggered by actions launched by Iran and its Lebanese ally, Hezbollah" ([Newsmax.com](#) March 28, 2-11). "It all begins with the death of King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia, revolts in Egypt and Yemen, and ends with Ahmadinejad and Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah leading **Muslim armies to conquer Jerusalem** " (Ibid.). "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad branded Israel a cancer cell that must be removed Sunday, after Israeli gunfire killed 12 people and wounded hundreds as Palestinians marched in a mass show of mourning over the creation of the Jewish State" ([Now News](#) from Lebanon May 16, 2011). "Like a cancer cell that spreads through the body, this regime infects any region. **It must be removed from the body** ," he added" (Ibid). Ahmadinejad has stepped up his call to wipe out Israel in 2012. [The Jerusalem Post](#) August 2, 2012 reported the following. "In a speech published on his website Thursday, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said the ultimate goal of world forces must be the annihilation of Israel." After reading all this proof showing you **Iran, Iraq, and Afghanistan** are lining up for the Ezekiel war, I pray you see the these events are setting the stage to fulfill the Ezekiel prophecy.

On February 28, 2014 [IsraelNationalnews.com](#) ran the following headline: "Iranian Official: 'We are Preparing to Liberate Jerusalem.'" "The Islamist Basij militia force in Tehran ran a special military exercise Thursday and Friday preparing for an Iranian takeover of Jerusalem. The exercise, entitled "March to Al-Maqdis (Jerusalem)," included training in the event of such a takeover, including drills for the protection of cities, assistance and rescue, dealing with social unrest, the protection of sensitive and important military centers, dealing with the invasion and landing of "enemy" (IDF) forces from helicopters, and carrying out complicated tactical maneuvers at night. In an official statement, the militia said that the exercise is designed to develop and enhance the capabilities of the Al-Maqdis Brigades, improve Basij military competence, and foster a "self-sacrificing spirit" among the terrorists. The call for Israel to be destroyed in 2014, was carried on into 2015. The [FARS's News Agency](#) September 2, 2015 headline reads as follows: "Commander: Iran Continues Military Enhancement Until Collapse of Israel." I quote, A senior commander of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) said Wednesday that Iran will continue boosting its military preparedness until it takes down Israel and sets Palestine free." I hope you can see the hand writing on the wall for Iran? Near the end of 2015, the [Jerusalem Post](#) released a report which directly points to the Ezekiel 38 war. forward. The headline to the J. Post reads as follows: " **IN PICTURES: Thousands of Iranian soldiers stage mock siege of Temple Mount. Here is the sub-title: " Constructing a plastic replica of the al-Aksa Mosque and Dome of the Rock, Iranian media reports tens of thousands of soldiers staged exercises dubbed 'Towards the Holy City'** (Nov. 21, 2015). Photos below from the [Jerusalem Post](#) Nov. 21, 2015.



Threats to wipe out Israel are still being issued by Iran. The headline from the [Israel Today](#) report on September 18, 2017 read as follows: “Iran Reiterates Threat to Destroy Israel in Very Near Future.” “A top Iranian general this week again threatened to destroy Israel, saying the Jewish state's demise would come even sooner if he didn't keep quiet about the nuclear deal Tehran signed with Barack Obama. “Israel should stay quiet and count the days until his death. Its smallest mistake will result in its destruction,” said General Abed Al-Rahim Musawi, according to the Iranian Tasnim news agency” (Ibid.) At the end of 2018, the [JewsNews](#) again exposes Iran's call for Israel's destruction but it would not be the last time.

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Iran's leader Khamenei meets with Islamic terror leaders and calls for the final destruction of Israel

By [Jews News](#)

“This is just more of the same vicious annihilationist Jew-hatred we have come to expect from Iran, which Iran's mullahs spewed for years with the sanction, the permission, of Obama. Khamenei has spewed this hatred many times before, and the United Nations yawns. The pressure on Khamenei is not coming from outside, but from within Iran.”

[The Times of Israel](#) on January 10, 2019 ran this headline. “Top Iranian general vows to 'annihilate' Israel” This report showed us that nothing has changed since 2018. On a regular basis Iran keeps telling the world they will wipe out the nation of Israel. I quote, “Brig. Gen. Mohammad Reza Naqdi, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Deputy Commander for Cultural and Social Affairs, said in a December 28 interview with the Iraqi television network Al-Nujaba that the “Islamic revolution in Iran will not back down” from the goal of “wiping out” the Jewish state. The interview was translated Wednesday by the Middle East Media Research Institute.” In 2020, Iran is still saying they will destroy the

nation of Israel. I quote ABC News on May 22, 2020. “ TEHRAN, Iran -- Iran's supreme leader on Friday called Israel a “cancerous tumor” that “will undoubtedly be uprooted and destroyed” in an annual speech in support of the Palestinians, renewing threats against Iran 's archenemy in the Middle East.” We know from the Ezekiel 38 prophecy that Turkey and Iran will be joined together in the attack on the Jewish nation and, they are already joined together over Jerusalem and the Palestinian issues.

September 23, 2021 Fox News showed us once again that Iran is still calling for the destruction of the state of Israel. “Iran's foreign minister said his nation's "willpower is dedicated" to the elimination of Zionism at this week's United Nations anti-racism conference. With the United States and 33 other nations boycotting a UN anti-racism conference due to its history of anti-Semitism, Iran's new foreign minister invoked the destruction of the Jewish state, perhaps giving the countries who boycotted the conference more reason to have stayed away, observers say.”

Russia : Although Russia is not mentioned by name in the Ezekiel prophecy, Ezekiel tells us that many nations will be coming down against Israel with those that are in fact named out right. I believe Russia is going to be one of those nations. In the beginning of the chapter, I stated that the nations which will attack Israel are all Muslim nations. Some people may have questioned me and said, “Russia is not a Muslim nation.” Let me make the connection for you with a report entitled “Le Monde diplomatique.” I quote, “Vladimir Putin was the first head of a non-Muslim majority state to speak at the Organization of the Islamic Conference, a gathering of 57 Muslim states, in October 2003, that was a political and diplomatic feat, especially since Russia was waging a long running war in Chechnya at the time. Putin stressed that 15% of the total population of the Russian Federation are Muslim (1), and that all the inhabitants of eight of its 21 autonomous republics are Muslim (2), and he won observer member status with the organization, thanks to support from Saudi Arabia and Iran. Since then, Putin and other Russian leaders, including the foreign minister, Sergei Lavrov, claim that Russia 'is, to some extent, part of the Muslim world” (December Issue Le Monde diplomatique). According to a report titled “Muslim Population Statistics,” Russia has 17,861,693 Muslims living in its nation. The primary source for these facts was taken from the CIA World Factbook of 2008 . Now let me ask you, do you see the connection?

So, what are the signs this nation is set to attack Israel? There are so many signs I couldn't put all the reports in this book, but let me show you a few to bring my point home. Russia is a major supplier of weapons to Syria and just about every nation on God's ready to attack Israel including Iran. A few years ago before the fall of communism, Donna O'Higgins wrote a news report on Russia and Iran, which was reported by UPI . The title of the story was, “Iran Turns to Moscow for Economic Security.” Iran needed help from Russia due to the fact that the rest of the world was cutting the country off economically. Iran was cut off because it was holding 50 American hostages taken from the American embassy in Iran. A headline in the April 9, 1993 edition of the Iranian Times read, “Russia signs New Security, Trade Agreement.” Since the signing of that agreement, the two countries have signed other agreements strengthening their friendship. As of December 2008, Russia's trade agreements with Iran are still very much intact. The following AP article “Russia Reportedly Adds Reactors to Deal” gives some details about part of their defense pact. Not only is Russia supplying Iran with weapons, but also the country is now giving Iran nuclear technology. According to the AP report, an Iranian official says that Russia will get spent fuel. Russia signed an \$800 million deal with Iran to build a nuclear power plant. “The US government, contending Iran harbors secret intentions to produce nuclear weapons, has pressured Russia to scrap its \$800 million deal, signed in January” (Santa Barbara News-Press May 5, 1995 pA-10). If you had been keeping up with the signs of the times in 2008, you would have known neither Russia nor Iran paid any attention to anyone. Both these nations are still working on finishing Iran's nuclear plant. In January of 2008, Reuters released a report from Tehran, which stated, “Iran expects to have its own nuclear-generated electricity by this time next year and will not bow to Western pressure to halt uranium enrichment, President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said on Wednesday” (Reuters Jan. 30, 2008). Iran's leader intends to use this weapon on Israel soon. On May 7, 2008 Iran's President said, "We must solve Iran's internal problems as quickly as possible. Time is lacking. A movement

has started for us to occupy ourselves with our global responsibilities, which are arriving with great speed." What is Ahmadinejad referring to? President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has already stated that he wants to wipe Israel from the face of the earth. Just the fact that he is saying that shows us he is fulfilling prophecy. Read what is stated in Psalm 83:4. "They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance." God knows exactly what Iran's leader is up to.

Ahmadinejad has made it known that he wants to attack Israel. He believes when he attacks Israel that will be the time the Mahdi will come and destroy Israel. Ahmadinejad's goal is to rush this attack so the Mahdi can come and bring a new era of peace and harmony. Mahdi is supposed to be the 12th imam of Shiite Islam who will return in the end times to wipe out Israel. Ahmadinejad is pushing for Israel to attack Iran over its nuclear plant so it will kick-start the war against Israel. This is the reason why Iran is telling the world that it will not stop working to finish the nuclear plant. The May 7, 2008 report from [Breitbart.com](#) had this as their headline: "Iran clerics rebuke Ahmadinejad over 'hidden imam.'" There are two very important things to see here. The Mahdi is supposed to be in a secret place, hidden in the desert until the right time comes for him to appear and destroy Israel. What did Jesus warn about this kind of statement? "Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not" (Matthew 24:25-26). Where is Ahmadinejad saying the 12th imam is? He is saying the Mahdi is in a secret place hidden in the desert! If I were you, I would pay very close attention to the Words of Christ. The second point to see here is that Iran's inflation is currently at 20%, which is why the Iranian clerics have rebuked Ahmadinejad. They want him to spend more time getting rid of the inflation and less time pushing the hidden imam to come out. However, Ahmadinejad will not stop. He has made it known to the world he was born to bring out the hidden Mahdi. War is coming soon to the Middle East, and the outcome of that war is recorded in Ezekiel 38-39.

Back in 2005, Iran had stepped up its efforts to acquire weapons of mass destruction. As I stated, Russia hasn't backed off in providing Iran with the materials to produce these weapons. When the rest of the world leaders are calling for action against Iran because of its nuclear plans, both Russia and China are not. One report in January said the "US and EU officials intend to urge Russia and China to support the diplomatic action against Iran when the UN Security Council holds a meeting in London on Monday. Iran's decision to resume its nuclear activities has raised serious concerns with the West, which fears the regime intends to build an atomic bomb. Iran insists it only wants to produce electricity" ([Newsfromrussia.com](#) Jan. 16, 2006). Since January 2006, Iran has repeatedly stated it wants to destroy Israel and anyone who helps the Jews. I believe since God told us Russia would unite with Iran, don't look for Russia to oppose Iran any time soon. As a matter of fact, [Reuters](#) on May 2, 2006 reported "Iran threatened on Tuesday to attack Israel in response to any 'evil' act by the United States and said it had enriched uranium to a level close to the maximum compatible with civilian use in power stations." On May 2, 2006 Russia again told the USA it had opposition to any sanctions against Iran concerning Iran's enriched uranium plans. On May 5, 2008, Israeli President Shimon Peres warned, "that if Iran becomes a nuclear power it will create a 'nightmare' for the whole world and not just the Jewish state" ([Breitbart.com](#)). Peres also stated, "Nobody is threatening Iran," he said. "On the other hand, Iran is threatening to wipe Israel off the map" (Ibid.). I am warning you all that soon Iran will try to destroy Israel; the handwriting is on the wall.

On June 16, 2006 the [Aljazeera](#) news issued a report with the headline "Iran, Syria sign defense pact." The report stated, "Close allies Iran and Syria signed an agreement to expand military cooperation against what they called the 'common threats' posed by Israel and the United States, AFP reported... 'Our cooperation is based on a strategic pact and unity against common threats. We can have a common front against Israel's threats,' Turkmani told reporters on Thursday ([Aljazeera.com](#) June 6, 2006). In the updated intelligence report on July 24, 2006, Hal Lindsey reported his personal Intelligence sources had revealed, "Russia, Iran and Syria have entered a defense pact that is in the process of altering the balance of power in the entire Middle East. Russia's part in the pact has been kept relatively secret for a long time. But the facts reveal a long steady Russian commitment to the Iranian nuclear program and arms supply to Syria." This three way

defense pact is one of the reasons why Russia has taken sides with Iran and Syria during the July war between Israel and Hezbollah which is based in Lebanon. The partnership between Russia, Iran, and Syria appears to be all part of God's plan.

God told us the Russian army and its allies would go down to take the spoils from Israel such as the “cattle and goods that dwell in the middle of the land.” Many believed Russia would join forces with its Islamic allies and attack Israel because the Russian nation was sitting on an economic titanic. “However, Russia has come a long way since it defaulted on \$40 billion of sovereign debt in 1998, burying its image of a handout-hungry giant and positioning itself as an energy superpower within the Group of Eight nations” ([AP](#) July 11, 2006). Since 1998 Russia has become a major economic player and is now wielding its newfound oil power. Reporting on Russia's new wealth, the [AP](#) wrote that, “The oil windfall has meant that, since the August 1998 financial collapse, Russia's hard currency reserves have soared from a feeble \$12.5 billion to \$247.1 billion - and given its economy a stronger claim to belonging in the elite group of nations whose leaders will meet in St. Petersburg this week” (Ibid.). What does this all mean? When Russia attacks Israel, it appears it won't be because it is an economic wreck. Russia really doesn't need the spoils in Israel. As of 2008 Russia is one of the richest nations on this planet so it must attack Israel for another reason. What is most likely at this point is this: Russia will have to honor all the military pacts signed with Iran, Iraq, Syria, the PLO, Turkey, and so on. Keep in mind, in Ezekiel's prophecy, we are told invading armies would be dragged into the attack against Israel, which means it really doesn't want to go. It is clear Russia has put itself in a position of no return. When its Arab friends want to attack Israel, Russia will be forced into the war as well and even end up helping Turkey as a major ally against Israel. I believe when this war begins against Israel, Russia will be so proud of its wealth and oil power that it will be proud to help lead the invasion.

It is common knowledge that Russia is still a close friend to Iran and will in fact keep supplying Iran with whatever military needs it has. A good example of what I am talking about is found in the [World Tribune.com](#) back in December 18, 2001. The report stated, "US officials acknowledge that Iran is more advanced than Iraq in both missile development and weapons of mass destruction. They said that Iran, with Russian help, has succeeded in advancing its nuclear project and they could arrive at weapons capability as early as 2005." Russia has and is still arming every one of the nations listed in the coming attack against Israel. Here is a good case and point. [FoxNews.com](#) on March 23, 2003 confirmed, “Russian arms dealers have equipped Iraq with supplies and electronic jamming equipment that could throw US plans and bombs off course.” And of course the news in 2006 is much the same. "Russia opposes the spread of nuclear weapons, but it's building Iran its first nuclear-power plant and this year plans to deliver 29 short-range, Tor M-1 anti-aircraft missiles to the Iranian government, all over US objections. The Kremlin sees no harm in its delicate and, some say, dangerous position of cooperating with Iran on civilian nuclear energy and supplying it with defensive weapons" ([Mercury News](#)) April, 26, 2006). It is a scary fact to know the most influential ruling cleric in Iran has already said he wants to use the nuclear bomb against Israel. What is more upsetting is the fact Iran is working toward that goal. God told us Russia and Iran would be partners in the attack against Israel, and that is why these nations are helping one another today. Russia has been very aggressive in making new and stronger alliances for years.

Both Russia and Iran displayed their military power recently. [The Jerusalem Post](#) reported on April 16, 2008 that Iran held the largest-ever air parade. I quote, "Iran will mark Iranian Army Day on Thursday with a massive air parade, the largest in its history. One hundred and forty aircraft will participate in the show, Air Force Chief Muhammad 'Alavi told local reporters." On May 5, 2008 Russia's military also went on display. “Russia's use of heavy weapons at this week's World War II Commemoration parades is not intended as a threat to any nation.” Yet, the report also said, “The parade comes amid heightened tension with Russia's pro-Western neighbor Georgia.” The fact is both Russia's and Iran's military are ready for the attack on Israel. In Ezekiel 38:9a he said, “Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land.” These plans are the ones that will soon fly toward Israel. They will be coming

from Iran, Russia, and Russia's allies. There will be so many of them that Ezekiel says it looks like a cloud. Remember some 3,500 years ago Ezekiel did not have the language to describe a plane, but there is no doubt that is what he saw.

As you can see from this next report, Iran is boasting about its strong alliance with Russia. "Iranian Defense Minister Brigadier General Mostafa Mohammad Najjar stressed that Israel is unable to harm relations between Iran and Russia, underlining Tehran's deep ties with Moscow. 'Our relations with Russia are deeper and broader than what Israel seeks to hamper,' Najjar told FNA on Friday, reminding the Zionist regime of Israel's attempts to undermine Iran-Russian relations, and military cooperation in particular. 'We have mutual cooperation with Russians in different fields. They have made a significant investment in the Bushehr power plant and other industries in Iran,' Najjar reiterated" ([Tehran Times](#) April 26, 2009). Iran can boast all they want, but at the end of the day, God is going to have His will done with both of these nations when they attack Israel.

You are about to see in 2012, Russia and Iran are the strongest of allies, and it's only a matter of God's timing before the Russian lead Ezekiel 38 war is played out. Earlier in this chapter I showed you in October of 2007, Russia warned an **attack on Iran will be viewed by Moscow as an attack on Russia**. In 2012, Russia again has already warned America and Israel if they attack Iran it will be the same as attacking Russia. I quote, "Russia has given Iran its bear hug and warns Israel and the West that an attack on Tehran would be considered an attack on Moscow. The threat heightens the prospect of [World War III](#) in the event of a military strike on Iran. "Iran is our neighbor," Russia's outgoing ambassador to NATO, Dmitry Rogozin, told reporters in Brussels. "And if Iran is involved in any military action, it's a direct threat to our security" ([IsraelNationalNews.com](#) Jan. 15 , 2012). "He added that an attack on Syria or Iran would be an indirect attack on Russia" ([MEMRI news](#) Feb. 6, 2012).

This next report should show you beyond a doubt what the Lord warned about Russia attacking Israel will come to pass just as all the other prophecies already have. The [WND](#) news on December 20, 2014 ran this headline: "**Official: Russia plotting to start war on Israel** ." "Russia is preparing a contingency plan to prompt Hezbollah and possibly the regime of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad into a direct military conflict with Israel, according to a French official who has been apprised of the situation. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the contingency was meant to be used as a card against the West, particularly the US and European Union, which has been engaged in efforts to isolate Moscow. This past week, the US and EU adapted tighter sanctions on the Russian The official said Russia has not made any decision about agitating a Hezbollah attack on Israel, including restrictions on investments in the Crimea, with emphasis on Russian Black Sea oil and gas exploration and tourism . conflict in the Mideast as a card it can play in its confrontation with the West, particularly in Ukraine." I find it interesting that Russia is making moves that may bring on the Psalm 83 war and, that will lead right into the Ezekiel war! If the Lord shows us in Ezekiel chapter 38 that Russia will join military forces with Iran you should have expected to see this type of news in the headlines. ran the following headline: "Russia and Iran sign defense deal, 'may resolve' S300 missile delivery issue ." "Moscow and Tehran have **signed military cooperation** deal that implies wider collaboration in personnel training and counter-terrorism activities. It may also resolve the situation concerning the delivery of Russian S300 missiles, Iranian media reported. Russia's Defense Minister Sergey Shoigu and his Iranian counterpart Brigadier General Hossein Dehghan, signed the document during a visit by Russia's top brass to Iran's capital on Tuesday. Under the new agreement, the expanded cooperation will include military personnel training, increased counter-terrorism cooperation exchange and enhanced capabilities for both countries' Ships to use each other's ports more frequently." There is no question this prophecy is coming together! [Israel National News](#) August 25, 2015 will show you Iran is still calling for the destruction of Israel. I quote, "A senior Iranian official has reiterated that Iran views the **annihilation** of the State of Israel as its most central foreign policy, despite warming relations with western powers."

On September 20, 2019 the [Arab News](#) showed us how Turkey, Iran and Russia have come together. "I have always been cautious about using the word "alliance" to describe the cooperation between Russia, Turkey and Iran as part of the Astana Process for peace in Syria. When considering the history of relations between these three countries, one would hardly conclude that they were obvious bedfellows. It would therefore be unrealistic, inaccurate and an overstatement to describe what has been going on between these three countries in recent years as an alliance, a partnership or even a strategic pact, as is being claimed by some people these days. However, the nature of international "Politics is such that states do not only cooperate to forge alliances; they also put aside their differences to work together to counter a common threat. That is what is happening with this tripartite group."

Ethiopia: In 1983 the population of Ethiopian Jews, the Falashas, was estimated at 30,000 souls who had maintained their Jewish faith and religious love of Zion and the Holy Land. Since the birth of the State of Israel, these Jews have left Ethiopia and settled in Israel. This was a fulfillment of the prophecy, which stated, "On that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the remnant that is left of his people from...Cush" (Isaiah 11:11a). That prophecy has now been fulfilled, but Ezekiel 38 tells us that Ethiopia will attack Israel along with Russia and the Arab nations. Russia and Ethiopia, have in the past, united to conquer their enemies. For example in 1979, Ethiopia was at war with Somalia. During the war, Soviet-backed Ethiopian and Cuban troops were proposed to strike in Somalia. The war caused great concerns for the US as the [Los Angeles Times](#) reported on February 11, 1978: "The growing Soviet-Cuban military involvement in Ethiopia 'affects the political atmosphere between the United States and those two countries'" (p.1). In 1986 Ethiopia adopted the Marxist style of government and found out the hard way that the Soviet Union type of government does not work. Although by 1986 Marxism was stalling, Ethiopia didn't give up on it. "Ethiopia's government continues to put up red hammer-and-sickle banners, and proletarian slogans around the country, moving resolutely down the Communist path" (Scott Kraft, "Wave of Defections Reveals Marxist Failure in Ethiopia," [Los Angeles Times](#) Dec. 24, 1986 p.12). Russia had also helped its Ethiopian friends during the war against Eritrea, which was in full swing in 1999, and is still a problem today. On July 18, 2000, the [WorldNetDaily](#) had learned from the Eritrean embassy in Moscow that "Russian 'mercenary' pilots are flying advanced fighter jets for Ethiopia in its conflict with Eritrea." I have obtained a copy of the complaint, which the Eritrean embassy filed against Moscow. The following is a section from the embassy's document: "The Eritrean government had through its Embassy in Moscow informed the Russian government that it has incontrovertible material evidence at hand of the direct participation of Russian senior military advisors, aircraft and helicopter pilots as well as anti-aircraft specialists and heavy artillery personnel in the large-scale offensive Ethiopia unleashed in February 1999 against Eritrea," said the statement. This document was filed against Moscow on May 26, 2000. Russia is still a strong ally with Ethiopia today and is still supplying its Ethiopian allies with arms.

Part of the reason for the Ethiopian Jews' relocation to Israel was the terrible persecution they had suffered since World War II when Italy overcame them. After the war, Ethiopia moved into communism. "Junta sets up party that diplomats call out of Soviet mold. The government owned Ethiopian Herald began laying the foundation last week for the continuation of military rule. It branded as 'enemies of the revolution' those who insist that progress is possible only through a civilian worker's party and those who believe that the example of the Russian Revolution must be followed precisely" (David Lamb, "Ethiopia Steps Deeper into Communism," [Santa Barbara News-Press](#) p.1). By March of 1986, Ethiopia was having major problems under the Soviet banner. "Ethiopia Resettlement: Tales of Horror," is the way the [Los Angeles Times](#) described it. "The Ethiopian government's own estimate, about 600,000 famine victims have been moved to the south of the country" (March 10, p.1). It was general knowledge that the Soviet Union was having major problems in feeding its own people, and with famine hitting hard in Ethiopia, the Soviet Union couldn't help its African friends. When you consider Ethiopia today, you have to take a close look at feeding its people and political turmoil. When the people of a nation are hungry, there is bound to be political unrest. Look at what is currently happening with Ethiopia and other nations in the horn of Africa? "Suddenly there is talk of famine in Africa again. Ten million people are at risk of starvation in the worst drought conditions

in 60 years in **Ethiopia** , Somalia and northern Kenya. Tens of thousands of people have left their homes in search of water and food. Hundreds of thousands of farm animals have died" ([The Independent](#) July 6, 2011). Sooner or later a starving country will move to get food for its people, even if it means attacking another country that has food. In this case, the nation Israel is the closest one with an abundance of food. Keep in mind, Ezekiel told us the armies would go down and try to steal Israel's goods. Ethiopian Jews fled their country and took up residence in Israel, rather than accepting a government molded out of Russia. The Falashas knew that it would only be a matter of time before the new government would hunt them down and kill them. Since Ethiopia is still considered Communist, it has friendly ties to all Islamic nations, and hates Israel, it should come as no surprise that they will assist in the assault on the Jewish nation. In April 2003, some of the remaining Ethiopian Jews living in Ethiopia fled to Israel. Who knows - it just may be possible God removed His people to safety just prior to this coming attack against His nation Israel.

Sudan: Don't forget that Bible history reveals Ethiopia was located to the south of Egypt and was comprised of Ethiopia and Sudan and is known as Cush in the Old Testament. In 2011 Ethiopia and Sudan are well known for their droughts, famines, wars, and long civil conflicts with bordering nations. Ethiopia is among Africa's poorest states. Its people are almost two-thirds illiterate. The economy centers around agriculture, which in turn relies on rainfall, but drought and famine are frequent deterrents to food production. Today, famine strikes African countries the hardest, but with ongoing wars and economic instability, famine continues to be a worldwide problem with millions of individuals suffering. In 2006 government officials were telling us Ethiopia and Sudan are in danger of starvation due to the combination of severe drought and military conflicts. Right now in the Sub-Sahara African region 180 million people suffer from under-nourishment, and among these nations are Ethiopia and Sudan. Sudan has constantly been in the news because of the Darfur problems, where millions are dying as a result of brutal conflicts and starvation. The world thought that Sudan was in bad shape in 2006. Two years later and Sudan, particularly Darfur, was in a mess. [ABC News](#) reported, "Up to 300,000 people may have died from the combined effects of war, famine and disease in Sudan's Darfur region since 2003, UN humanitarian chief John Holmes said, although he conceded this was just an extrapolation." Mr. Homes also stated, "This tally did not include those Darfurians who died from diseases, malnutrition or starvation" ([ABCNews](#) April 23, 2008).

I do believe one of the reasons why Sudan would join Russia, in the attack on Israel is because many people in Sudan are starving? It could be what many call the "hunger factor." Many parts of both Ethiopia and Sudan are starving. On April 3, 2011 news from Ethiopia informed us, "A Sudanese opposition MP said on Saturday that 150,000 people are suffering from hunger in his constituency in an impoverished region of Red Sea state and called on those responsible to resign. "150,000 people living in 40 villages in south Tokar are suffering from hunger," said Hamid Idriss, who represents the region in the Red Sea state assembly" ([ethiopientimes](#)). Between the current drought and hunger in Sudan, if Russia tells these nations they can take the spoils from Israel to feed their people, it may be the reason why they join the Russian forces. Some say it will be because these nations are Islamic, and they will want to stand together against Israel. As for me, I believe it will be a combination of facts that will include issues such as lack of food, and Islamic influence. Many also point out that al-Qaeda has strong holds in Sudan. Bin Laden was killed in 2011, but al-Qaeda still has strong roots in Sudan. According to the [BBC News](#) on April 23, 2006, "Bin Laden knows Sudan well. He spent the early 1990s based there before moving to Afghanistan. During that period US troops were engaged in a humanitarian mission in nearby Somalia."

In an audio tape Bin Laden sent to America, Bin Laden mentions Sudan and the Darfur problems. It was pointed out in the April, 23 2006 [BBC](#) report that "Clearly, Bin Laden is hoping that if Western troops do go into Sudan to deal with Darfur, al-Qaeda will be able to replicate his earlier feat and open up a new battlefield." On June 30, 2006, the [BBC](#) published a report titled, "New Bin Laden message is released." In that report it stated, "Bin Laden addresses US President George W Bush, warning him not to be ' too happy' about Zarqawi's death, 'for the banner [of al-Qaeda in Iraq] hasn't dropped but has passed from one lion of Islam to another lion'. Bin Laden says al-Qaeda will go on with operations against the US and its

allies. 'We will continue, God willing, to fight you and your allies everywhere,' he said, 'in Iraq and Afghanistan and in Somalia and Sudan until we waste all your money and kill your men.'" When Bin Laden was speaking about the US allies, he is referring to Israel. It is very easy to see how Bin Laden's influence can drag the poor people of Ethiopia, Sudan, Afghanistan, and Iraq into a war against the Israeli state even after his death.

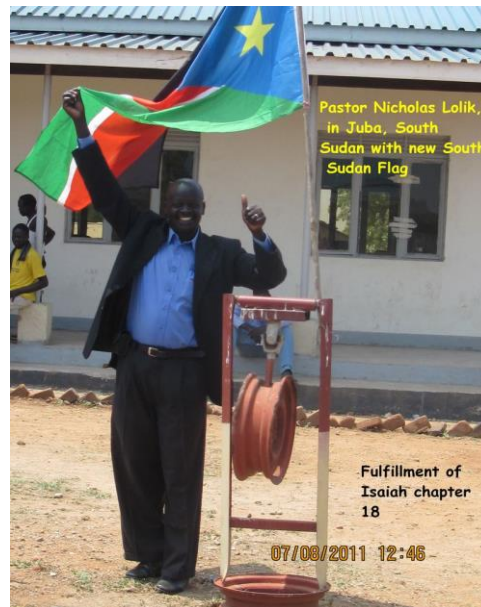
In 2011 we got a real eye opener as to what part of Sudan would be most likely to join forces with the nations listed in the Ezekiel war. Let me explain. July 9, 2011 Isaiah chapter 18 was fulfilled concerning Cush. Cush as you now know is modern day Sudan and Ethiopia. In short this is what Chapter 18 tells us. Isaiah 18:1 we see Cush mentioned. We know for sure God is pointing to Sudan. How do we know? In part of verse two it says this: "A powerful and oppressive nation whose land the **rivers divide** ." Where does this happen? Look at the map below and you will see that the Nile River begins dividing in Khartoum Sudan, and runs into Ethiopia. The White Nile flows in Sudan while the Blue Nile runs into Ethiopia.



In Isaiah 18:5 God warns us that a pruning would take place, I quote, "For before the harvest, as soon as the bud ^[f] blossoms And the flower becomes a ripening grape, Then He will cut off the sprigs with **pruning** knives And remove *and* cut away the spreading branches" (Isa. 18:5). This information tells us Sudan would see a separation in the last days. In Isaiah 18:3 God warned us that we would see a new standard raised on the mountains. Look at the Strong's Concordance and you will see a standard is a flag. In other words. Sudan would go through a purging by God that would divide up Sudan, and out of this new divide there would be raised a brand new flag in the mountains. The world witnessed the beginning of the fulfillment of this prophecy on January 11, 2011 when Sudan voted to divide the nation. The BBC News will fill in the details for you in their report entitled, "Southern Sudan votes on independence". " **Huge numbers of Southern Sudanese have been voting in a landmark referendum on independence from the north.** The week-long vote is widely expected to result in Africa's largest country being split into two. Amid scenes of retirement, southern Sudanese leader Salva Kiir said: "This is an historic moment the people of Southern Sudan have been waiting for." The poll was agreed as part of the 2005 peace deal which ended the two-decade north-south civil war. The leaders of the mainly Muslim north have promised to allow the potential new country, where most people are Christian or follow traditional religions, to secede peacefully. The BBC's Will Ross in Southern Sudan says he has not met a single person who says they will vote in favor of continued unity with the north. But President Omar al-Bashir has warned an independent south would face instability ([BBC News](#) Jan. 11, 2011).

On July 9, 2011 South Sudan completed fulfilling the Isaiah 18 prophecy. One day before South Sudan would officially become a new nation the following news broke out from the [Arab Herald](#) . "At the stroke of midnight Friday, South Sudan will become the world's newest independent nation and across the country the South Sudanese are preparing to celebrate their first independence day" (July 8, 2011). On July 7, 2011 [ynetnews.com](#) reported, "North Sudan's President Omar Hassan al-Bashir on Thursday said he will travel to South Sudan when it becomes independent on Saturday and said he seeks friendly relations with the former civil war foe. "I will travel to (the southern capital) Juba in two days to congratulate them on

their new state and wish them security and stability," Bashir said in a speech. Sudan's oil-producing south is due to declare independence on Saturday -- a split that was voted for in a referendum "promised in a 2005 north-south peace deal." Since July 9, 2011 this new flag that the Prophet Isaiah wrote about was raised in the Numbi Mountains, which are the mountains that divide Sudan into North and South Sudan. Below is a photo sent to me by Pastor Nicholas Lolik in Sudan. You can see what South Sudan's new flag looks like.



In Isaiah 18:7 we see that South Sudan would bless Israel. I quote verse 7. "At that time a gift of homage will be brought to the LORD of hosts ^[g] From a people ^[h] tall and smooth, Even from a people feared ^[i] far and wide, A powerful and oppressive nation, Whose land the rivers divide—To the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, *even* Mount Zion." Guess who South Sudan is blessing? You got it, Israel! South Sudan and Israel were one of the first nations to form full diplomatic relations with each other. I quote the Sudan Tribune. "The newly born Republic of South Sudan has officially established full diplomatic ties with the state of Israel three weeks after it became independent, revealed the caretaker minister of information, Banaba Marial Benjamin. On Thursday, President Salva Kiir Mayardit received an official letter from the Israeli government, congratulating the leadership for attaining independence of their new country and pledging for establishing full diplomatic relations with South Sudan. In an official statement he read out on South Sudan TV today, Barnaba Marial further explained that the two countries will soon open their respective embassies. in Juba and Tel Aviv at ambassadorial levels. He said the letter also praised the leadership in South Sudan for their wise strategy and focus that has successfully sailed their ship across the river to the other side of the shore towards independence. The government's spokesperson further praised the new development, saying the diplomatic ties with the Jewish state will also enable South Sudan to contribute to resolutions of the ongoing conflicts in the Middle East" (July 28, 2011). You can see the first glimpse of the blessing warned in Isaiah 18 in the photo below.



A Southern Sudanese man holds the flags of South Sudan and Israel during independence celebrations in Tel Aviv, Israel, Sunday, July 10, 2011 (AP)

As you can see from a section of this same report North Sudan is not blessing Israel. "Most countries in the Arab League, including North Sudan, do not have diplomatic relations with Israel and consider the latter an enemy state. The move is an assertion of how South Sudan's foreign policy will differ from Khartoum as it establishes itself on the world stage. South Sudan is home mainly to Christians and those with African traditional beliefs in contrast to the Islam-dominated North" (Sudan Tribune July 28, 2011).

As far as the Lord telling us South Sudan would raise a new flag and bless Israel, here is more proof South Sudan is fulfilling this prophecy. "South Sudan's President Salva Kiir told Danon that Hamas chiefs Khalid Mashaal and Ismail Haniyeh had approached him and requested that he refrain from diplomatic ties with Israel. They said, among other things, that Arab countries have no ties with Israel. Kiir said that he told them that he "sees Israeli embassies in Jordan and Egypt and that in any case, South Sudan is not an Arab country." He told Danon that his country **would establish its embassy in the city of Jerusalem**, rather than in Tel Aviv, like most countries. He also promised to visit Israel soon, in response to Danon's invitation. The South Sudanese Parliament's Deputy Speaker Daniel Awet Akot told Danon that when his country celebrated its first independence day, two months earlier, **Israeli flags were hoisted alongside South Sudanese ones**, as a token of appreciation and a will to emulate the Jewish state. "Israel is like Southern Sudan's older brother," he said" (Arutz Sheva Aug. 30, 2011).

Everything that was written down in Isaiah chapter 18 has come to pass in these last days. I started off this section by saying, " In 2011 we got a real eye opener as to what **part of Sudan** would be most likely to join forces with the nations listed in the Ezekiel war. Can you see now why South Sudan won't attack Israel? I am convinced that South Sudan which is the Christian half of Sudan will continue to support Israel and bless her. I believe being a Christian nation, South Sudan will understand to attack Israel or curse her would only lead to their destruction. I believe when the Ezekiel war takes place it will only be North Sudan, the Islamic portion that will join in on this invasion of Israel.

Russia, Iran, Iraq, Turkey, Libya, and the rest of the Islamic states are the players now in position. They have signed treaties with one another declaring their hatred of Israel and blaming Israel for the Middle East problems. Every country mentioned in Ezekiel's prophecy has been stockpiling arms of destruction or has been trying to acquire them for years. They are arming themselves for the future attack. You may ask, "What could provoke an attack on Israel?" One reason could be all of the countries named in Ezekiel 38 are Muslim, and today most Muslim leaders want, and are calling for, the destruction of Israel. Most Muslim heads of state today make it a point that the world knows they want to reclaim the holy city of Jerusalem for themselves. This is the reason why there has been so much trouble in Israel as of late. The PLO for one has repeatedly stated that he wants to rule from the holy city of Jerusalem. Israel recently declared that Jerusalem would always belong to the Jews. In an article called "Jerusalem at the Crossroads of Peace Talks," Los Angeles Times staff writer Michael Parks wrote: "We are determined...that Jerusalem will remain united, under Israel sovereignty, and remain the capital of the Jewish people and the state of Israel forever." In time the Arabs will come to the point when they are finished waiting for the peace process to give Jerusalem back to them. Directions are they are just about at that place.

The Santa Barbara News-Press on June 9, 1996 reported: "Arab Leaders Warn Israel on Peace Process...Any attempt by Israel to back off agreements already reached, or to delay implementing them, will place it in confrontation with the international community and will threaten to re-ignite the cycle of violence for which Israel will be held totally responsible" (pA-12). We now know the above statement to be true. When the peace process broke down, all hell broke out in Israel between the PLO and Israel. It has

now gotten to the point where the leaders are having a hard time controlling their people. A section from a Los Angeles Times report told us, "There were signs that those leaders will resist public opinion in Arab nations, where there have been pro-Palestinian demonstrations and call to break diplomatic ties or even go to war with Israel" (Oct. 21, 2000 front p.). The Islamic nations hoped to regain Jerusalem through the peace process or by wearing the Jews down with all their suicide bombers. As soon as the nations are sure the peace process has failed, they will attack. The Bible informs the believer that God will "put hooks in your [Russia's] jaws and bring you out with your whole army" and drag her into the invasion on the Jewish state with the rest of the Arab allies (See Ezekiel 38:4). Apparently Russia may have reservations about attacking, but something will force the Russians into battle. It may just be the treaties that Russia signed with all the Islamic nations mentioned in the prophecy. No one knows for sure why Russia will lead the attack. All we can say for sure is that they will come.

God described this coming attack and what will happen. "I will turn you around and drag you along. I will bring you from the far north and send you against the mountains of Israel" (Ezekiel 39:2). The attack will come from the north. "You will come from your place in the far north, you and many nations with you...a great horde, a mighty army. You will advance against my people Israel like a cloud that covers the land" (Ezekiel 38:15-16a). Then in Ezekiel 39:6, God tells how He will defeat the attacking armies: "I will send fire on Magog and on those who live in safety in the coastlands, and they will know that I am the Lord." Some scholars believe that this verse refers to nuclear war, and the fire refers to a nuclear blast. "For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them in order to cleanse the land. All the people of the land will bury them, and the day I am glorified will be a memorable day for them, declares the Sovereign Lord. Men will be regularly employed to cleanse the land. Some will go throughout the land and, in addition to them, others will bury those that remain on the ground. At the end of the seven months they will begin their search" (Ezekiel 39:12-14).

The prophet Zechariah also sheds light on the Islamic invasion with Russia and the outcome: "This is the plague with which the Lord will strike all the nations that fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths" (Zechariah 14:12). This description may describe a napalm bomb or even a nuclear attack. Finally, Ezekiel 38:22 describes "torrents of rain, hailstones and burning sulfur" on the enemies of the Jews. Many who have studied these prophecies believe it is a modern day description of nuclear war. Soon all of us will find out! Do you remember the prophecy Daniel was given about the last generation being known as the generation of knowledge? Well our generation has fulfilled that prophecy and part of that fulfillment can be seen in the invention on a nuclear bomb! What God wants us to know is this: when the battle is over, Israel will still be standing. Let me show you how current events are connecting with what the Bible has warned compared to recent events coming out of both Russia and Iran.

In Ezekiel 38:5 Iran (Persia) is the first nation listed that will attack Israel with Russia. As you can tell from the information and facts in this chapter, Iran is going to play a major role in end time prophecy. This is the main reason why we are hearing the leader of Iran talk about attacking Israel on a daily basis . Soon there is going to be a conflict between Iran and Israel, and when this conflict takes place, everyone who has ever read Ezekiel chapter 38 should know God was telling the truth. If you see this war and still don't believe in the Word of God and His warnings, it then may take your entrance into the tribulation to convince you God's Word has always come to pass. For your sake, I pray that it is not the case. If you are an unbeliever, the fulfillment of Ezekiel just may convince you that you need to repent right away and come to Christ Jesus for salvation. In the news recently, I read Iran's President has lashed out at Israel again. This is what he stated, "Islamic world must unite to defend Palestine: Ahmadinejad." This news is out of Tehran. "Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has called on Islamic states to unite in their efforts to prevent the Zionist regime from committing more crimes against the Palestinians...Is the United Nations... so weak that it is not able to make a swift and binding decision for breaking the siege of a small territory... How is it that a unilateral strike to disarm (a country) or (as part of) a campaign against terrorism, which is outside

the framework of the United Nations Charter, is accepted, but there is no determination to end the siege of innocent Gazans?" (Tehran Times April 23, 2009)

I can assure you all that the handwriting is on the wall, and soon you are going to see the earth shake in the Middle East. Remember Russia may think it is going to destroy Israel, but God is going to turn this battle around. We will see some type of nuclear blast. For all I know, God may even use a nuclear weapon Russia tries to hit Israel with. It could be the Lord may just make sure that this weapon falls on the Russians. Russia has already warned it will use nukes if threatened. If Israel strikes at Iran's nuclear power plant soon, Russia may feel threatened and move on Israel. Let me quote for you what was said out of Russia. "Russia's military chief of staff said Saturday that Moscow **could use nuclear weapons in preventive strikes in case of a major threat, the latest aggressive remarks from increasingly assertive Russian authorities.** 'We have no plans to attack anyone, but we consider it necessary for all our partners in the world community to clearly understand... that to defend the sovereignty and territorial integrity of **Russia and its allies** , military forces will be used, including preventively, including with the use of nuclear weapons,' Gen. Yuri Baluyevsky said" (The Jerusalem Post Jan 19, 2008). I hope you know what that means. Who is one of Russia's closest allies? It is Iran. Notice that Russia said it would use a nuke if one of its **allies** was threatened. I am sure if Israel does wipe out Iran's nuclear site, Russia will take this as a security threat. All I know for sure is this: the Ezekiel war is about to take place.

Ezekiel made it as clear as day; Russia isn't the only nation Israel has to be concerned with in the last days. It is a well-known fact that the Iranians have had at least 600 missiles pointed directly at Israel ever since 2007. I quote, "Six hundred Iranian Shihab-3 missiles are pointed at targets throughout Israel, and will be launched if either Iran or Syria are attacked, an Iranian website affiliated with the regime reported on Monday. 'Iran will shoot at Israel 600 missiles if it is attacked,' the Iranian news website, Assar Iran, reported. '600 missiles will only be the first reaction'" (The Jerusalem Post Sept. 17, 2007). As you know, Iran is working with Russia to obtain a nuclear weapon. The Iranians would love to mount one of these nukes on one of their missiles and try to finally wipe Israel off the map. I say the same thing could happen to Iran that will happen to Russia if it launches a nuclear attack on Israel. God will turn the weapon on the Iranians themselves.

The pieces of the puzzle for the next Middle East war have been coming together. Back in January 1997, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu finally settled a deal with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and moved his Israeli troops out of the city of Hebron. Two major points should be noted which took place after the troops were pulled out of Hebron. First, Arafat reiterated his dream of creating a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital as supporters waved national flags and set off firecrackers. "I call on all of you to come together to build this independent Palestinian state,' he declared as the crowd roared" (Santa Barbara News-Press Jan 20, 1997 pA-2). Second, Arafat on December 1997 made it public he would declare statehood by 1999. Arafat was forcing tensions to rise. When it came time to call for that independent Palestinian state in 1999, President Clinton managed to talk Arafat into delaying it. In another report, "Mohammed abu Rajab, 32, a civil engineer, said he and other Hebronites were very excited to see Arafat in person, not just on television...We are looking to him [to lead us] in Jerusalem. Hebron is not the end of the story" (Los Angeles Times Jan. 20, 1997 pA-13). In November 2000, when the peace process broke off, Arafat once again pledged to call for an independent Palestinian state. As you know, as of 2009, no PLO state has been formed yet.

As stated earlier, the Islamic brothers have only one purpose in mind: to retake the city of Jerusalem. On January 20, 1997 "The Israeli leader also reiterated his Likud Party's long-held position that no part of Jerusalem will be ceded in negotiations and, that the Palestinian entity that results from negotiations must not have sovereign rights, including the right to raise armies" (Ibid.). As 1999 was ushered in, tensions in the Middle East began to increase as they do every year. In January Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told his cabinet, "We will not allow Arafat and the Palestinians to determine the borders of our state and

the future of our capital" (AP [Santa Barbara News-Press](#) Jan. 11, 1999 p.A5). "The Prime Minister also demanded that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat stop talking about any unilateral statehood declaration" (Ibid. Jan.11). The Prime Minister knew Arafat's language concerning statehood could possibly set off another conflict between the Arabs and Israel.

Going into November 2000, the final stage for the showdown in the Middle East had taken shape again. President Clinton had Israel's newly elected Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Arafat come to the US for final peace talks at Camp David. For two weeks, both sides refused to cave in on the issue of who has the rights to the city of Jerusalem. At the present time, the capital of Israel is Jerusalem. It has been her capital ever since the victory in the 1967 war. For the first time in 2000 years, the city of Jerusalem was back in the hands of the Jewish people, and they are not about to give it back. The Jewish people believed that recapturing the city of Jerusalem had put them in the first stage of redemption. In any case, as a result of the fight over Jerusalem ownership, the Middle East peace talks collapsed over Jerusalem's future. After returning home from the peace talks, Arafat stated on September 13, 2000 he is going to call for an independent Palestinian state. Arafat also said he didn't care if the peace talks resumed or not, he would still call for that independent state. So, once again the issue over Jerusalem has put both Israelis and Arabs at odds with each other. As soon as Arafat returned home, he gave the following message to President Clinton. "I want to remind Clinton and the whole world that, in fact, we should have already declared a Palestinian state, according to the Oslo [peace] accords, on May 4, 1999" ([Los Angeles Times](#) July 30, 2000 p.A4). I also found it very interesting that Arafat, upon his return to the Middle East, visited his Arab allies and asked for support in declaring statehood. Arafat's search for support also included Russia. "Arafat said he asked Putin to organize a meeting that would bring in countries that traditionally have been friendlier to Palestinian interests" ([Santa Barbara News-Press](#) Aug. 12, 2000, p.A10). The interesting fact about Arafat's search for support is he visited the nations listed to attack Israel in Ezekiel's prophecy. Arafat died in 2005 so he never did see the destruction of Israel, and his replacement in 2006 has once again called for Israel's annihilation.

Here are the facts to consider. Since Arafat made his plea with his Arab friends, many of the Arab leaders have made some very bold statements concerning war with Israel. What these leaders are saying is exactly what God wrote to us. The [UPI](#) reported one such statement in an article dated December 21, 2000 from Baghdad. The title of the report states "Iraq can destroy Israel, defense minister says." Here is a quote: "Iraqi Defense Minister Lt. Gen. Sultan Hashem Ahmed said his country could destroy Israel and that it was ready to confront any aggression against the Arabs." In that same article it stated, "The Palestinian cause will not be solved until the Jews leave Palestine and its (Arab) people return to their homeland." And finally the report states, "Last month, some 1.6 million Iraqis reportedly responded to a call by President Saddam Hussein and Volunteered to fight alongside Palestinians against Israeli forces in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem." On December 31, 2000, Saddam called for a previously unannounced ceremony in Baghdad, which he called "The Call of Jerusalem Day." He ordered a military parade showing off his Iraqi tanks, warplanes, helicopters, bombers, and missiles. According to [The New York Times](#) online , "Saddam has criticized Arab leaders for failing to take action in the Israeli conflict." He also stated, "Only a few Zionists are humiliating more than 200 million Arabs," he said in October. "What more does it take for Arab leaders to make a real move?" We are told in that same [New York Times](#) piece, "Iraqi officials said more than 6.5 million people went to Saddam's ruling Baath Party offices to volunteer to fight for the liberation of Palestine." As you can see, Saddam was definitely pushing for the Arabs to make this final attack against Israel. In Ezekiel 38:9-11 we read, "Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee. Thus saith the Lord God; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that art at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates." Iraq alone now has 6.5 million people waiting in the wings to attack Israel. When you start adding up the numbers of people

from the other nations who will also aid Iraq in the attack, you can see how the prophet Ezekiel likes it to a cloud covering the land.

At the beginning of the new year 2001, Israel was forced to put its people on alert, and this is why. "Saddam put army on alert to fight Israel" was the January 7, 2001 headline in The Sunday Times. "The Iraqi headquarters and Saddam's promise to support the Palestinian uprising-reaffirmed in yesterday's speech-are being closely monitored by Israel. It is expected that heavy Iraqi love would join Syria in any regional war against Israel. Ehud Barak, the Israeli prime minister, predicts that such a war will break out if the Palestinian question is not settled peacefully." On December 30, 2000, the Associated Press ran a story saying, "Iran Threatens Retaliation on Israel." The report ran from Kuwait and stated, "If Israel were to attack Syria or Lebanon, Iran would retaliate in an 'astounding and unexpected' way, Iran's defense minister said in remarks published Saturday" (Newsweek.com Dec. 30, 2000).

To make matters even worse for Israel, Russia and Iran still have military agreements which were made in 2000. "The two countries have made concrete decisions to expand and deepen all kinds of military, security and defense relations on the long term" (Newsday.com Dec. 29, 2000). We know this is true due to the fact that Russia never stopped shipping arms to the axis of evil nations. We also learned from the December 29th report, "Iran, which has declared itself self-sufficient in missiles production, has built and tested several missiles, including the Shahab-3, which has a range of 810 miles. Washington denounced a July test of the Shahab-3, which it said could reach Israel or US troops in Saudi Arabia." We now know that because of this new military cooperation between Russia and Iran if Iran got involved in a war with Israel, Russia would be forced by this new pact to attack Israel as well.

The Israeli leaders are well aware of a coming attack against them. In a report from Jerusalem, we read, "For the first time in a decade, Israel has raised the prospect of a regional war with the Arab world with the key participation of Iraq. Israeli sources said the most likely prospect is a Hezbollah attack on the northern Israeli border. Israel would then react by retaliating against Syrian military installations in Lebanon. This, in turn, would result in Iraqi and Iranian intervention" (World Tribune.com Dec. 2, 2000). Let me remind you in Ezekiel 38:15, God told us we would see this attack against Israel come from the north.

On January 26, 2001, the WorldTribune.com reported, "The United States has sent a Patriot anti-missile defense battery to Israel amid heightened concerns of a Middle East war. Pentagon sources said the heightened tension in the Middle East prompted a decision to place on alert US forces in Germany and Italy. They said Washington has been concerned about an Iraqi attack on Israel amid reports that several Iraqi divisions have moved close to the Syrian border." We may not know the exact date of this coming attack against Israel, but we can definitely see by all the signs in the Middle East that it is near.

Events in 2002 showed tensions in the Middle East were always on the minds of world leaders. Every day we hear Israel and the PLO are killing one another; Yet, world leaders are still calling for peace talks to restart. These world leaders understand that if Israel is attacked again by the Arab world, Israel will have to respond with a greater blow. That major blow could be the next nuclear event to occur in the Middle East. You must remember Israel is very well aware that Iran is working to use a nuclear bomb against her. If you are going to watch any news concerning the Middle East, focus your attention on the names of the nations God listed to attack Israel. This war is not far off, and it will happen! When President Bush made his State of the Union speech in January 2002, he made it clear who the enemies of the US were. He has pointed out Iran and Iraq as two nations on his list. I found it very interesting soon after the President's speech, leaders from Iran and Iraq came together to call for a new chapter in Iran-Iraq relations. The front page of the Iranian Times February 1, 2002 had this to say. "Both Iran and Iraq seem to be moving in tandem as far as their concerns about US military actions in Iraq are concerned. In the days leading up to Sabri's trip, the United States actually bombed Iraqi security installations on three separate occasions. If the United States was not named directly, Israel-known as 'the Zionist regime' in both Iran and Iraq-was.

Khatami said to Sabri: 'We must face together our common threats, especially those originating from the Zionist regime.'" Israel, in fact, you have long and loudly proclaimed both Iran and Iraq as their main enemies. Israeli officials frequently accuse each country of being "a terrorist regime."

President Bush has stated he will use any means including nuclear weapons if the people of the United States were attacked. In a report from Britain, nuclear weapons were again discussed. "Britain would be ready to make a nuclear strike against states such as Iraq if they used weapons of mass destruction against British forces, Geoff Hoon, the Defense Secretary, told MPs yesterday" ([News telegraph.co.uk](http://News.telegraph.co.uk) March 21, 2002). I found this next quote very interesting. " Mr Hoon was briefing the Commons select defense committee on the threat posed by four countries Britain had identified as 'states of concern': Iraq, Iran, Libya and North Korea" (Ibid.). It's interesting because, as you know by now, Iraq, Iran, and Libya are all mentioned in the prophecy, which warns us they will attack Israel.

There are definite signs the Arab world is losing patience with the United States and Israel. A section from the [Gulf News](http://GulfNews.com) stated it best. "The people all over the Arab and Muslim countries have been helplessly watching the brutal oppression unleashed on unarmed Palestinians by the Israeli troops under the leadership of their terrorist Prime Minister Ariel Sharon with the blessings and support of the US government... This one-sided US policy has been extremely unpopular with the Muslim masses, and under this circumstance an attack on Iraq, without any justification, will add fuel to fire and will not serve the US interests in the region at all,' added Dr Ali" ([Gulf News](http://GulfNews.com) online edition March 23, 2002). If the events in the Middle East continue as they have, I believe the Arab people will say, "Enough is enough," and then make their attack on Israel. I, for one, believe there is a purpose for everything that happens. I can see one effect the September 11 attack has had on the USA It has caused all of the nations which are supposed to attack Israel to become much closer friends with one common idea. The idea is Israel is the real aggressor, and she must be destroyed.

In May 2003, the world watched the battle rage in Israel. Arab states and Arabs around the world were protesting in the streets. The unified call they were shouting was "Holy War against Israel." President Bush was now being forced by the Arab states to intervene in the war on behalf of the PLO. Four leaders of Hamas, which is a section of the PLO, had an interview with the press. During the 45-minute interview in Sheik Yassin's compound, this is what was said about Israel. "The goals of Hamas are straight-forward. As Sheik Yassin put it, 'our equation does not focus on a cease-fire; our equation focuses on an end to the occupation.' By that he means an end to the Jewish occupation of historical Palestine. Hamas wants Israeli withdrawal from all of the West Bank and Gaza, the dismantling of all Israeli settlements and full right of return for the four million Palestinians who live in other states. After that, the Jews could remain, living 'in an Islamic state with Islamic law,' Dr. Zahar said. 'From our ideological point of view, it is not allowed to recognize that Israel controls one square meter of historic Palestine.' Mr. Shenab insisted that he was not joking when he said, 'There are a lot of open areas in the United States that could absorb the Jews'" ([The New York Times](http://TheNewYorkTimes.com) April 4, 2002 p.2A).

In 2002, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, "who has been under growing US Pressure to withdraw troops from Palestinian cities, spoke after receiving word that 13 Israeli soldiers were killed in fighting in the West Bank refugee camp of Jenin... 'This is a battle for the survival of the Jewish people, for survival of the state of Israel,' Sharon Said" ([The Washington Post](http://TheWashingtonPost.com) online April 9, 2002). In 2002 Sharon knew that someday Israel would once again be faced with another major war. As time passes, it certainly looks like all out war against Israel is at hand. As one who is keeping his eyes focused on the Middle East, I found this next set of reports very interesting with "Russia's newest tie to Iraq" on the front page of [The Christian Science Monitor](http://TheChristianScienceMonitor.com) . Here is a quote: "Amid uncertainty about US war plans toward Iraq, Russia is poised to sign a \$40 billion economic cooperation deal with the regime of Saddam Hussein that could complicate the White House's military strategy, while boosting Kremlin influence...Moscow has made it clear that it does not support Washington's policy for any 'regime change' for their long time Russian ally. The Kremlin has also

recently deepened financial and political ties with two other nations which Mr. Bush has included with Iraq as part of an 'axis of evil'- Iran and North Korea" (Aug. 20, 2002). What I wanted to show you here is this: year after year Russia is supporting every one of the nations which are named in the attack against Israel.

While Russia, Iran, and Iraq were all becoming close allies, Israel had been getting ready for war. On August 20, 2002, [ABC News.com](#) had this to report. "Israel says there is one sure thing amid the uncertainties about how the US-Iraq showdown will play out: if attacked by Iraq, the Jewish state will respond... Israel now has the Arrow, a sophisticated anti-missile system, and its own spy satellite, the Ofek. Air force squadrons have intensified training, reportedly including delivery of a nuclear counter strike to an Iraqi 'dirty bomb.'" In 2006 Israel is once again keeping its eyes fixed on Iran. From Jerusalem [Reuters](#) reports "Israel is set to launch on Tuesday a highly accurate imaging satellite which will enhance its ability to spy on Iran, a report in the mass circulation daily, Yedioth Ahronoth said. Israeli Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz said this week that the nuclear program being pursued by arch-foe Iran was the most serious threat faced by Jews since the Nazi Holocaust" ([Reuters](#) April 25, 2006).

In July of 2004 under the heading of Wars and Rumors of Wars, the [WorldnetDaily.com](#) (July 18, 2004) reported, "Israel has conducted military exercises for a pre-emptive strike against several of Iran's nuclear power facilities and is ready to attack if Russia supplies Iran with Rods for enriching uranium, Israeli officials told reporters." The source of the story which ran on the [London Sunday Times](#) said, "Israel will on no account permit Iranian reactors—especially the one being built in Bushehr with Russian help—to go critical." The same news source was also quoted as saying "that any strike on Iran's reactors would probably be carried out by long-range F-15I jets, flying over Turkey." Since Russia has a pact with Iran, this assault against Iran's nuclear power facilities could start a war. If Israel flies over Turkey without the permission of the Turkish government, this act alone could have been enough for Turkey to unite itself with Russia and the rest of the Arab nations to fulfill the attack against Israel. In May 2005 the Middle East was still a hot zone. The Arab news from [Aljazeera.Net](#) on August 15, 2004 tells why the Middle East is a hot zone. "Iranian officials have made a point of highlighting the Islamic state's military capabilities in recent weeks in response to some media reports that Israeli or US warplanes could launch air strikes to destroy Iranian nuclear facilities." The Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has made it clear that Iran is both Israel's and the United States' greatest threat. Israel knows how dangerous Iran is especially now that Iran made it known it can hit any part of the Israeli territory. Back in 1981 when Israel found out Iraq was working on a nuclear reactor, the Prime Minister sent in Israeli warplanes and destroyed the Osirak nuclear reactor in Iraq. Ariel Sharon was then warning Iran that his government will not allow Iran to have nuclear weapons. If Israel attacks Iran as they did Iraq, it could set the stage for the Arab attack against Israel.

To complicate matters even more, in the latter part of 2004, PLO chief Yasser Arafat died. The world was hoping a new PLO chief would bring in peace; However, an article sent out by the [Jerusalem Newswire](#) points to more of the same. On December 6, 2004, the "PLO chief Mahmoud Abbas Sunday reiterated his pledge to pursue Yasser Arafat's goal of seizing control over eastern Jerusalem as the capital of a future Palestinian Arab state." That same month the " Hamas terrorist organization rejected reports it was prepared to accept a ceasefire and recognize Israel's right to exist within the Jewish state's pre-1967 borders " (Ibid.). On December 10, 2004, the [Jerusalem Newswire](#) again reports on statements made by the new PLO chief. "PLO Chief Mahmoud Abbas has again insisted on the right to flood Israel with millions of Arabs labeled as 'Palestinian' refugees, and by doing so demographically destroy the Jewish state." In other words, nothing has changed in the Middle East. Everyone was still afraid of another war in 2004.

In August 2004 Iran also issued an announcement saying Iran carried out a successful test firing of an upgraded version of its Shahab-3 medium-range ballistic missile. This is bad news for everyone because this announcement puts Israel in a corner. President Bush has asked Israel not to strike; However, only time will tell whether Israel holds back. That old military alliance between Russia and Iran also sent shock waves around the world in February 2005. It was reported by [MediaCorp News](#) "Iran, Russia sign landmark deal

to fire up controversial nuclear plant." The report stated, "Iran and Russia signed a landmark nuclear fuel agreement that paves the way for the firing up of the Islamic republic's first atomic power station, a project the United States alleges is part of a cover for weapons development" (Feb. 27, 2005). Prime Minister Ariel Sharon had already warned Iran she will attack if activity at the nuclear facility doesn't stop. Let us not forget in 1981 the leaders of Israel warned Iraq concerning its Osirak nuclear reactor. When Iraq did not listen to the Israeli warning, Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan on June 1981 dispatched his Israeli pilots to bomb Iraq's nuclear reactor. The Washington Times in an article called "Israeli '81 strike on nuke plant set precedent" dated September 25, 2004 stated, "In ordering the lightning knockout, Israel served notice to its Middle Eastern foes that the Jewish state would act even pre-emptively to deprive them of a nuclear option." One of the main stories run on NewsMax.com on March 11, 2005 had the heading "Israel Ready to Strike Iran's Nuclear Facilities." NewsMax reported, "Too many Washington sources are telling us this, so it may be imminent. Israel is set to attack Iran's nuclear facilities, fearing that the Islamic regime will use atomic weapons on the Jewish state. Israel has long assumed the right of pre-emption--that is, the right to attack and even make war with Arab states that are developing nuclear weapons. 'They are ready to go,' a top former American diplomat with close ties to Israel tells a source close to NewsMax ." Other news sources are reporting the same thing. Independent Media TV reported, "The Israeli Air Force has completed military preparations for a pre-emptive strike at Iran's Bushehr nuclear facility and will attack if Russia supplies Iran with rods for enriching uranium, Israeli officials said, according to a report in the London Sunday Times." Iran has already responded to Israel. "Iran's top nuclear negotiator warned Israel on Tuesday that his country would certainly retaliate if the Jewish state were to attack Iranian nuclear facilities" (The Associated Press Nov. 5, 2004). Reuters' news from Jerusalem on December 9, 2005 had this to say. "Israel called Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad 'very dangerous' on Friday after he expressed doubt that the Holocaust occurred and suggested the Jewish state be moved to Europe. 'This was not a misstatement or a passing remark,' Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom told Israel Radio. 'It is a systematic way of thinking which is intended to bring about the annihilation of the state of Israel.'" The attack on Israel is coming!

On August 20, 2005, a Hamas leader announced more attacks against Israel in order to bring Israel's destruction. Read what Mahmoud Zahar, Hamas leader in the Gaza Strip, said concerning this so-called peace and security plan. "Now, after the victory in the Gaza Strip, we will transfer the struggle first to the West Bank and later to Jerusalem...We will continue the struggle until we liberate all our lands. This is an important day for the Palestinians and proof that the armed struggle has born fruit. Zachary went on to explain Hamas 'would not stop its attacks until all of Israel is destroyed.' Three days later 'In a news conference in Damascus, the leader of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad today boasted all Palestinian groups remain united in the goal of annihilating the Jewish state of Israel'" (WorldNetDaily.com Aug. 23, 2005). On August 29, 2005 the PLO's promise to keep attacking Israel was delivered when 42 people were injured after a PLO suicide bomber detonated a bomb in the city of Beersheba. The Israel National News reported by Arts Shiva said, "Following Israel's withdrawal from Gaza and northern Samaria, Ahmed Quarrel, Palestinian Authority Prime Minister and senior PLO figure announced Sunday that the fight for Jerusalem has now begun" (Aug. 30, 2005). The PLO has never really wanted peace and safety with Israel, and the continued attacks make that fact clear. Israel acted in good faith when she gave Gaza back to the Palestinians. Israeli leaders believed trading land for peace would work; However, Jesus said when they call for peace and safety, destruction will follow. Currently the two parties which run the PLO have come to terms at least on one issue. In an article with these headlines "Convergence Plan: Fatah and Hamas Agree on Destroying Israel," we are told "Abu Taiyer , spokesperson for the Al Aksa Brigades, the military wing of Fatah, said at a press conference in Gaza that his group remains loyal to Fatah's pre-Oslo charter which calls for 'liberating all Palestinian land, and the elimination of the Zionist entity, economically, politically, militarily, and culturally'" (Israel Nationalnews.com June 19, 2006). Why do you think nations like Iran and Syria are backing the Fatah and Hamas leaders representing the PLO and Hezbollah? Both Iran and Syria want Israel destroyed as well. As of April 2007, there was a lot of talk about nations going to war in the Middle East. For one thing, a "Senior Russian general warns Washington to think twice before attacking Iran...The RIA-Novosty news service quotes Yuri Baluyevsky , head of the armed forces general staff as

saying Tuesday, April 3: Such an attack would have global implications. 'Inflicting damage on Iran's military and industrial potential might be realistic, but winning [the war] is unachievable – its reverberations would be heard across the world.' Baluyevsky said that the US should bear in mind negative experience in other countries in the region. 'Our strategic partners,' he said, 'have already got bogged down in Afghanistan and Iraq.' "He warned that if the US goes to war with Iran as well, the world may see America decline as 'the world's mightiest and most powerful state'" ([DEBKAFfile](#) April 3, 2007). There is a chance the Russian general may be correct. If America were to strike at Iran with Great Britain, it could set the stage for Ezekiel 38 to be fulfilled. Such an attack would provoke the rest of the Islamic nations to join their forces and go after Israel. Read this news from the [DEBKAFfile](#), and you will understand why. "In his briefing to the Israeli cabinet Sunday, April 1, Maj. Gen. Amos Yadlin, AMAN chief, reported that Iran, Syria, Hizballah and Hamas expect the United States to attack Iran in the summer and they are preparing to retaliate for going to war with Israel" (April 2, 2007). Only time will tell what happens, but what we do know is the attack against Israel is not far off.

No one knows for sure what will bring the final attack on Israel. It could be if Israel attacks Iran to take out the nuke plant, it may be enough to set Ezekiel's prophecy in motion. So, how does Israel feel about its future? This news report from the Middle East says it best. "Israel has relayed its concern to the United States of the rising prospect of a Middle East war in 2006. US officials said Israel has determined that the expected US withdrawal from Iraq in 2006 would raise tensions in the region that could lead to a Middle East war. The officials said the Israeli assessment asserted that Iran would either lead or play a major role in any future war against the Jewish state" (MENL April, 19, 2005). Let us never forget that God told us Iran was named in the list of nations that is going to attack Israel. Remember also Russia and Turkey were named on that list. On April 19, 2005 a report also gave some up-to-date information on the alliance both these nations have. "Turkey has participated in a major Russian-led naval exercise as part of growing military cooperation between the two countries. Russian officials said Turkey joined a Russian exercise in the Black Sea as part of regional and bilateral military cooperation. The officials said Ankara has agreed to a series of exercises with Russia over the next two years" (Moscow [[MENL](#)] April, 19 2005).

A new threat of a major war in the Middle East has started again, and anytime fighting breaks out in that region, the world begins to think about World War III. A recent [AP](#) report stated, "Israel's nightmare has become reality, with cease-fires collapsing on its southern and northern borders. But the seizure of three of its soldiers and the army's fierce response is allowing Israel to pursue a wider strategic goal: neutralizing Hamas in Gaza and Hezbollah in Lebanon" (July 13, 2006). On July 17, 2006, the world kept a close watch on the fighting. Israel had already attacked the PLO in Gaza; they started to engage troops in Northern Lebanon and had sent jets to bomb all three areas. By August 2006 Israel had sent 30,000 troops into Lebanon to get rid of any Hezbollah forces. It is important to note that Iran is backing Hamas and Hezbollah, but it is more important to remember this is another major birth pang of which Jesus warned us. The tension is turned up in the Middle East again; only this time the conflict is getting much worse, and there are reports the whole region may ignite in the near future . If you watched the news in May 2008, Hezbollah once again began its efforts to take control of Lebanon.

Here is one important piece of information you need to see. The Word of God compares the nation Israel to a fig tree. This is what the Bible says, "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door" (Matthew 24:32-33). The Bible also says when the attack comes against Israel in the last days, it will come like a **storm** . God warned the reader Iran would be part of a huge force that would attack Israel. In the description of this attack, God says, "You and all your troops and the many nations with you will go up, advancing like a storm; you will be like a cloud covering the land" (Ezekiel 38:9). Now I want to compare a few statements recently made by President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the leader of Iran, to these Scriptures. "President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran appeared to threaten Israel with a nuclear attack yesterday when he described it as a 'rotten, **dried tree**' that would

be **annihilated by 'one storm'** " (Telegraph.co.uk April 4, 2006). I don't think Ahmadinejad realizes that he may have prophesied what is going to happen to his own nation. God calls His nation Israel a fig tree; Ahmadinejad refers to Israel as a "rotten, dried tree." God said they would come against Israel like a storm while Ahmadinejad says he will attack Israel like a 'storm.' Ahmadinejad has been working at a furious pace to obtain nuclear power. He has made it clear he wants to use this nuclear power against Israel. Telegraph.co.uk has a section that explains what I am talking about. "In his most vitriolic and anti-Semitic attack to date, Mr Ahmadinejad warned that Israel faced imminent destruction. While he did not refer explicitly to nuclear weapons, his reference to the 'one storm' that would do away with Israel was seen as a code for nuclear Armageddon" (Ibid.). Israel isn't just sitting back and doing nothing about Iran's threats. Headlines from the Arutz Sheva News told us what Israel is doing. I quote, "Israeli Plans Prepare for Airstrike on Iran" (May 3, 2009). Here is a section of that report. "While the US is preparing for talks with Iran, Israel appears to be preparing for an attack, according to a plethora of media reports. Israel Air Force plans conducted exercises between Israel and Gibraltar, including midair refueling, according to a report published Saturday in the French weekly L'Express . The writer speculated that the distance of the exercises that were carried out, 2,361 miles (3,800km) from Israel, appeared to confirm that the IDF is preparing to attack Iran if Tehran "continues its refusal to end its nuclear program."

Let's put the question "Is Israel ready for battle with Iran?" to rest. "The Israel Defense Forces is carrying out drills to practice for a possible massive aerial assault on Iran's nuclear facilities within days - or even hours - of being given the go-ahead by its new government, according to a report today in the Times of London. 'Israel wants to know that if its forces were given the green light they could strike at Iran in a matter of days, even hours. They are making preparations on every level for this eventuality. The message to Iran is that the threat is not just words,' one unnamed senior defense official was quoted telling The Times" (WorldNetDaily April 18, 2009). Ten days later this is what was reported. "As Israel commemorated Memorial Day for its fallen soldiers and victims of terror on Tuesday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that the global threat of terror was greater than ever and vowed that Israel would never cease to defend itself." In this same report it went on to say, "In his address, Peres went on to say that Israel's very existence was still threatened, in an apparent reference to Iran, whose president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has called for the country to be wiped off the map" (HAARETZ.com April 28, 2009). Ezekiel saw this war coming, Israel knows it is coming, and the Iranians are bent on making it happen.

In the latter part of 2006 and all the way through to 2009, there have been rumors of war breaking out in the Middle East over Iran's nuclear power plant. I pointed out how Iran wants to wipe Israel off the face of the earth. Now Israel is saying she believes she may be going to war against Iran alone. "Israel is carefully watching the world's reaction to Iran's continued refusal to suspend uranium enrichment, with some high-level officials arguing it is now clear that when it comes to stopping Iran, Israel 'may have to go it alone,' The Jerusalem Post has learned. One senior source said on Tuesday 'that Iran 'flipped the world the bird' by not responding positively to the Western incentive plan to stop uranium enrichment. He expressed frustration that the Russians and Chinese were already saying that Iran's offer of a 'new formula' and willingness to enter 'serious negotiations' was an opening to keep on talking. The Iranians know the world will do nothing,' he said. 'This is similar to the world's attempts to appease Hitler in the 1930s - they are trying to feed the beast.' He said there was a need to understand that 'when push comes to shove,' Israel would have to be prepared to 'slow down' the Iranian nuclear threat by itself" (Jerusalem Post Aug. 24, 2006). Jumping to December 4, 2007, President Bush said "that the international community should continue to pressure Iran on its nuclear programs, saying a new intelligence report finding that Tehran halted its development of a nuclear bomb provides an opportunity" (AP). That report also informed us that Iran had supposedly stopped the nuclear program back in 2003, but Israel wasn't buying it. In response to Bush's press release, "Israel on Tuesday charged that Iran is still seeking nuclear weapons despite a new US report claiming the contrary, and vowed to continue its diplomatic campaign against its arch-foe. 'Iran is probably continuing its program of manufacturing a nuclear bomb,' Defense Minister Ehud Barak told army radio, according to its website. Even if the Islamic republic halted its program in 2003, as said in a

new US intelligence assessment, Israel believed it has since been relaunched." (Jerusalem [AFP](#) Dec. 4, 2007). Israel has made it very clear to Iran and the world she is not backing off from stopping Iran from obtaining nuclear power or nuclear weapons. Israel is prepared to take action against Iran alone if necessary . Some news agencies have suggested that when Israel bombed Syria's nuclear plant a few months ago that she was sending a message to Iran they were next. Here is an example of one such report. "A senior Israeli official, while declining to speak about the specific nature of the target, said the strike was intended to 're-establish the credibility of our deterrent power,' signaling that Israel meant to send a message to the Syrians that even the potential for a nuclear weapons program would not be permitted. But several American officials said the strike may also have been intended by Israel as a signal to Iran and its nuclear aspirations. Neither Iran nor any Arab government except for Syria has criticized the Israeli raid, suggesting that Israel is not the only country that would be disturbed. by a nuclear Syria. North Korea issued a protest" ([Defencetech.org](#) Oct. 15, 2007).

If Israel in 2009 decides to take out the Iranian nuclear plant, it could set the stage for the coming attack on Israel as prophesied in Ezekiel chapters 38-39. At the present time, American, British, and Australian troops are beginning to pull out of Iraq. Even if they stayed in the region, they couldn't stop a massive invasion against Israel. At this time in history, America doesn't have the manpower to help anyone, and she is already overwhelmed in Iraq. Russia, being a major partner with Iran, would respond to Israel's bombing of the nuclear plant possibly by forming its alliance with the Arab states to try to destroy Israel. Israel recognizes the fact that whatever happens, she will be on her own. This is exactly what we read in Daniel's writings. When you watch current events and compare to what the Bible says will happen, it gets pretty scary because we can see it coming.

When you read the description of the battle found in Zechariah's book, you see how Israel's enemies die. It appears this battle may end up with some kind of nuclear device being unleashed. This is what the prophet Zechariah wrote. "This is the plague with which the LORD will strike all the nations that fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths. On that day men will be struck by the LORD with great panic. Each man will seize the hand of another, and they will attack each other" (Zechariah 14:12-13). What we see in this description is what would happen if a nuclear weapon were to be used on humans. God is trying to prepare as many as will listen to Him. This storm Ahmadinejad wants to bring to Israel is in fact coming! I don't believe what we are seeing and hearing in the news from Iran is by coincidence. We are seeing the stepping stones , which will fulfill the prophecy of this end time battle found in Ezekiel chapter 39-39!

The Bible makes it clear that they will be seeking peace in Israel, and that is when the attack will come. Is it true we are still hearing the world call for peace and safety in the Middle East as God warned? Chapter 9 confirmed that to be the case. What is the point? Everything has come together to fulfill every word found in Ezekiel 38-39. The nations listed to attack Israel are all allies with Russia, and the call for peace and safety is reported in the news just about every night now. What about this? Is it a fact in 2007, 2008, and 2009 the world is seeing more news about nuclear concerns in the Middle East and at the same time hearing the call for peace and safety? Yes, Israel knows she cannot afford to allow Iran to start up its nuclear plant. As you have learned from this chapter, Russia has made tensions worse by helping Iran complete its nuclear reactor. Recent news from Moscow reported, "Russia has made its first shipment of nuclear fuel to an Iranian nuclear power plant at the center of the international tensions over Tehran's atomic program, the Foreign Ministry said Monday" ([Yahoo News](#) AP Dec. 17, 2007). This act has heightened concerns for Israel. At the same time Russia sent nuclear fuel to Iran, it put its new military power on display. Read what the [Telegraph News](#) had to say. "Russian warships are steaming towards the Atlantic Ocean last night at the beginning of a series of joint naval and aerial exercises designed to showcase Russia's resurgent military prowess before the world. Against a backdrop of growing international concern over Russia's rapid re-
armament and its government's increasingly belligerent rhetoric, naval cruisers and air-force jets will test-fire missiles in both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea over the next three months" ([Telegraph.co.uk](#)

Dec. 12, 2007). On January 14, 2008, it was reported from Jerusalem that, "Prime Minister Ehud Olmert warned Monday that all options are open when it comes to keeping Iran from obtaining atomic weapons, his clearest sign yet that Israeli could use force against a nation considered among its most serious threats" ([Yahoo News](#)). Does Israel think she will be attacked soon? In March of 2008, Israel held the biggest emergency drill in its history. Israel is getting ready for the coming war! Read a section of the [Jerusalem Post](#) dated March 17, 2008. "In the face of a possible escalation with Syria and Iran's effort to obtain a nuclear weapon, parts of the country will shut down next month in what security officials say will be the largest emergency exercise in Israel's history." The prophet Ezekiel warned us Russia would be the leader of the attack on Israel. You better believe it when I tell you Russia is getting into position to lead that attack.






When you look at the list of names God mentions that will attack Israel, you shouldn't be surprised to see more news reports linking all these nations together. Here is a good example of what I am referring to. The headline to this report is entitled, " **Inevitable Iran-Turkey-Syria-Russia Alliance** ." The report states, "The Middle East has acquired immense strategic value as one of the determining fulcrums in the global balance of power due to its being the world's largest known storehouse of low-cost energy supplies. Aversion to American global policy, in particular to the actions of the US in Iraq, the common allies of Syria and Iran, and also shared economic interests, will lead to the merging of the political strategies of Russia and Turkey. Countries that were previously historical opponents will turn into partners in the creation of a new Eurasian coalition. The final effect of the region's aversion to American policies will be the formation of the 'union of four:' Russia, Turkey, Iran and Syria. Of course, this rapprochement between Ankara, Moscow, Damascus and Tehran will definitely affect Washington's position in the Middle East" ([Fars News Agency](#) Jan. 5, 2009).

In yet another report, we read, "Russian Prime Minister's Press Secretary Dmitry Peskov has described **Iran** as an influential power in the region despite sanctions. Given Tehran's position in the region, the official, who was speaking to *Voice of Russia* on Saturday, said that his country, Iran and **Turkey** had great cooperation prospects lying ahead. Peskov said that there is a great deal of work **Moscow** , **Tehran** and **Ankara** can do together in the fields of energy, oil and gas, fuel transportation as well as in nuclear energy. 'Now that Russia is completing the construction of the Bushehr nuclear power station in Iran, what are our chances of entering the nuclear energy market also in Turkey?... Russian companies are now seeking the right to build nuclear power facilities there and our chances of winning the ongoing tender are pretty good. I hope we'll soon be getting good news from there,' Peskov commented. Dmitry Peskov also said that Russia, Turkey and Iran could jointly develop nuclear energy projects in other countries to help them become less dependent on oil and gas imports" ([Press TV](#) March 22, 2009). When you put all the evidence together concerning all these nations lining up with Russia, you come to realize God's plans for the end times are rapidly approaching us.

February 27, 2010 the [EU Times](#) wrote a report entitled, "Israel could attack Iran today February 27, 2010." The February date came and left with no such attack, but I assure you the attack has already been drawn up. I quote, "Sources close to the Israeli government have warned Executive Intelligence Review that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's inner cabinet is **close to making a decision to launch a preventive strike against Iran's nuclear facility** . Such a decision, that would be a further step closer to a devastating regional confrontation, could come as early as Sunday, when the Israeli cabinet agrees. According to the source, a fierce debate is raging within the Israeli military, over whether Israel has the capacity to successfully strike Iran's nuclear facilities at Natanz or elsewhere. Recently former Israeli Defense Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Dan Halutz told Israeli media that the IDF does not have the ability to seriously damage the Iranian program. But, according to an Israeli source close to the inner cabinet, several options are being reviewed for just such an attack. According to the source, in recent visits to Russia, both Netanyahu and Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman pressed Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin for permission to stage attacks against Iranian targets from sites inside [Russia](#) . government of Kazakhstan, according to the Israeli source." "Lyndon LaRouche warned that circles in London, including former Prime Minister Tony

Blair, are the real potential architects of this “doomsday” scheme. It is those in London, who are desperate over the collapse of the entire British System, who may be contemplating an Israeli breakaway ally attack on Iran, that would bring on a planetary dark age. Just recall Blair's testimony before the Chilcot Commission, in which he taunted the commissioners with the need to take military action against Iran today, just as he lied the US and Britain into the 2003 invasion of Iraq. **These people would have to be totally desperate, to be contemplating such a doomsday act, and I am afraid that they are, LaRouche warned** .” Right now we are just hearing the rumors about this war. This in itself is fulfilling prophecy, because in Matthew 24:7 Jesus told us we would hear the moods of war. He also said we would see war, and this Ezekiel war is coming. As for Iran in the Ezekiel 38 war look at what news from The Blaze on August 18, 2015 shows us. It is exactly the same thing we are warned about in the Psalm 83 war. I quote The Blaze. "The video showed the fighters preparing for battle with their gear, headbands, shoes and weapons, then descending on Jerusalem. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has repeatedly pointed out to Iran's continued sponsorship of international terrorist groups including Hezbollah and to its dedication to destroying Israel as two reasons he believes the deal is dangerous for Israel." "The animated video shows the soldiers approaching Jerusalem, with the iconic yellow dome of the Dome of the Rock situated on the Temple Mount, the holiest site in Judaism and third-holiest site in Islam. Later in the video, a wider shot is presented, showing dozens of fighters on a hilltop across from the holy city. At the end, Persian script appears saying "Israel must be obliterated," or literally, " **erased from the annals of history** ... and the youth will definitely see that day when it you come," the Algemeiner noted" (ibid.). Keep in mind the Psalm 83 war comes first but Iran is correctly helping back the nations listed in the Psalm 83 war and when the Psalm 83 nations cannot erase Israel's name forever Iran and its allies will then make another attempt to wipe out Israel and erase Israel's name in the Ezekiel 38 war.

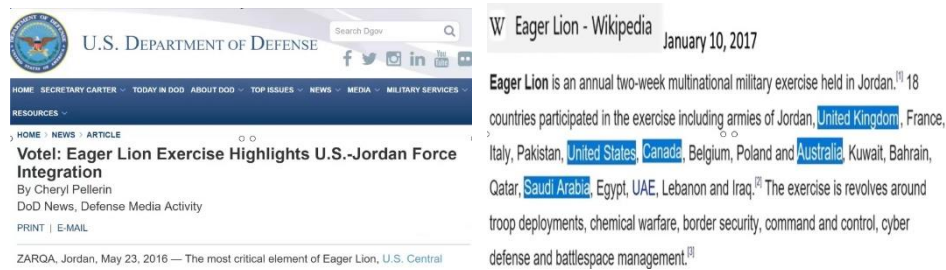
Do you remember what Ezekiel stated in Ezekiel 38:13? "Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the **young lions** thereon, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? Hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? To carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?" In this passage of Scripture, we see these young lions doing nothing to help Israel except to give a formal protest. In other words, Israel is on its own when this Ezekiel war breaks out. One of those **young lions is the United States** , and as you can see from the news, Obama will hang Israel out to dry. I quote from the Arutz Sheva News . "Israel and the United States are heading towards a parting of the ways on how to deal with the threat of Iranian nuclear capability, according to an article published Tuesday in the *Middle East Times* . Unlike his predecessor, US President Barack Obama is unlikely to approve, let alone cooperate, with the targeted assassinations of Iranian nuclear scientists carried out by Israel's international Mossad intelligence agency, wrote journalist Richard Sale...The article also raised the possibility that the Obama administration might try to put the brakes on Israeli covert operations against the Iranian nuclear program." (April 9, 2009). First we see Obama trying to force Israel to divide her nation into two, and now he is showing Israel she will be on her own if she attacks Iran. Current events are proving the Word of God is coming to pass.

For the past four years while Obama had been saying he will support Israel he has allowed Iran to keep working on producing their nuclear bomb. In May, 2012 the US and Saudi Arabia were taking part in a **military exercise** that when I saw the name of this exercise, I could hear the Lord say, “if you're watching I will show you.” Let me show you what I believe the Lord was pointing out to me. Ezekiel Chapter 38:13 tells us that  Great Britain, which is Tarshish in the Old Testament and is known as the **lion** , the  United States,  **Canada** ,  and Australia, which are the young **lions** a break off from the main lion Tarshish are *in the area of*  *Saudi Arabia* which is known as Sheba, and Dedan at the time the attack against Israel breaks out.

On May 30, 2012 [DEBKA News](#) released a report from the Middle East. The Debka report was giving us facts on how certain nations were getting ready to attack Iran in case Iran would not halt their quest to obtain a nuclear bomb Iran has said they would use against Israel. I do not think the name of this military exercise is a coincidence as you will see. I quote, "The US-Arab ***Eager Lion*** 2012 exercise ends Wednesday, May 30, after 12,000 mostly American as well as Saudi, Jordanian, Qatari and UAE special forces troops staged three weeks of joint maneuvers in Jordan." "In the ground section of ***Eager Lion*** 2012, large scale US and Arab special forces carried out practical operations backed by air and armored strength including assault helicopters in northern Jordan near the Syrian border. 2022 the Eager Lion have continued. It is no coincidence the Lord warned us about the young lions in the Ezekiel prophecy and, now you see these exact same nations preparing for war in the Eager Lion exercise! When the time comes for the Ezekiel 38 prophecy to be fulfilled these same Eager Lions won't be so eager to help Israel on the other hand has also prepared for war with Iran.

Let me show you additional signs that the very nations God addressed in Ezekiel 38:13 are in fact lining up to fulfill this prophecy. In November, 2012 after Israel had 600 rockets fired at them by the PLO in the Gaza, Israel began to strike back by bombing the rocket sites. When this happened the nations listed in the Ezekiel 38 prophecy took sides. Guess what? Those very nations listed in Ezekiel 38:13 as ***Tarshish*** and the ***young lions*** aligned with Israel while Russia took sides with the Hamas in the Gaza. Is this also just another coincidence? Not on your life! Look what the [Israel Today](#) news on November 15, 2012 reported. "The government of ***Canadian*** Prime Minister Stephen Harper once again demonstrated its ***unwavering support of Israel*** on Thursday when it unequivocally backed the Jewish state's military response to incessant terrorist rocket fire." "Referencing the hundreds of terrorist rockets that sparked Israel's "Operation Pillar of Cloud" - a provocation much of the world has suddenly forgotten about - Baird said that Canada "condemns the terrorist group Hamas and stands with Israel as it deals with regional threats to peace and security." [The Australian News](#) November 16, 2012 will now show you how the rest of the Ezekiel 38:13 nations are lining up with scripture. "But ***Moscow*** also criticized the "disproportionate strikes on Gaza" while calling for cooler heads. Moscow's reaction ***openly clashed*** with the understanding approaches of Israel's position adopted by both ***Britain*** and the ***United States***. Washington meanwhile rose to the Jewish state's defense despite earlier signs of strains in relations between US President Barack Obama and the conservative Mr Netanyahu. Expressing regret for the victims on both sides of the conflict, White House spokesperson Jay Carney said there was "no justification" for the violence on the part of Hamas, saying it "does nothing to help the Palestinians." US State Department spokesperson Mark Toner said in a statement: "We support Israel's right to defend itself, and we encourage Israel to continue to take every effort to avoid civilian casualties." The United States is also calling on Egypt to use its sway with the Palestinians to try to end the violence from Gaza, Mr Toner said. Julia Gillard said the ***Australian government*** was seriously concerned by the escalating conflict and urged both Hamas and Israel to exercise restraint. The Prime Minister condemned the Hamas rocket and mortar attacks on southern Israel, saying they did not serve the interests of the Palestinian people or their push for statehood. "***Australia supports Israel's*** right to defend itself against these indiscriminate attacks," Ms Gillard said. "Such attacks on Israel's civilian population are absolutely unacceptable." British Foreign Secretary William Hague said Hamas "bears principal responsibility" for the surge in Gaza violence and accused the Shiite group of creating an "intolerable situation" in the south of Israel where its rockets were falling. The [United States Central Command](#) on May 19, 2015 gives you details about the 2015, ***Eager Lion*** exercise in a report titled: "Exercise Eager Lion 2015: a demonstration of Navy-Marine Corps integration ." I highlighted the nations in ***network*** that are listed in Ezekiel 38 which will give a protest against the massive army that is heading toward the nation of Israel to wipe her out. About 10,000 total military personnel participated in the exercise. In addition to Jordan and the ***US***, other nations participating in Eager Lion include: ***Australia***, Bahrain, Belgium, ***Canada***, Egypt, France, Iraq, Italy, Kuwait, Lebanon, Pakistan, Poland, Qatar, ***Saudi Arabia***, United Arab Emirates and the ***United Kingdom*** ." As you can see below from the information via the [US Department of Defense](#) May 23, 2016 the Eager Lion maneuvers were again held in the year 2016. Fact is, each year as seen by the Wikipedia search below shows, the Eager Lion exercises continue and, the

Mother lion which is the UK, the young lions which are the US, Canada, and Australia all take part in the military Eager Lion exercises.



Do you find it as interesting as I do that the UK, the US, Canada, and Australia in 2017, have all come out in firm support for Israel? For example, The Jerusalem Post on January 17, 2017 showed that the Palestinian Liberation Organization slammed the **UK** and, **Australia** for not supporting them concerning the latest Paris Peace conference which favored the PLO instead of Israel. In 2016, Donald Trump stated in his campaign to be president he would move the US embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem which would recognize Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel. The Headline to the January 10, 2017 CNN report read as follows: “Trump pushes US Embassy move in Israel amid outcry.” Canada's Kellie Leitch is now running for office as Trump did and she is doing the same exact thing as Donald did in promising to move the Canadian embassy to Jerusalem. I quote ARUTA SHEVA news December 30, 2017. “ Following the passage of the recent anti-Israel resolution at the UN Security Council and subsequent condemnation by US Secretary of State John Kerry of Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria and eastern Jerusalem as being illegal, candidate for the leadership of the Conservative **Party of Canada Kellie Leitch voted to move the Canadian Embassy to Jerusalem** if elected as Prime Minister. Tony Abbott of Australia has also suggested moving their embassy to Jerusalem. Here is the headline from ABC on January 2, 2017. “ Tony Abbott criticizes aid to Palestinian Authority, suggests moving Australia's embassy to Jerusalem.” On December 14, 2018 news broke via The Guardian that Scott Morrison the new leader of Australia did in fact become one of the nations who now recognizes Jerusalem as the Jewish Capital . “a peace settlement is reached.”

Now I want to jump to the year 2020, for a second to show you how the young lions alliance is forming. Look at this headline from The Express on August 11, 2020. "Goodbye EU! Boris told to form 'superpower' alliance with Australia, Canada & New Zealand." I quote, “ Boris Johnson has been overwhelming told by Express.co.uk readers to form a "superpower" alliance with the old Commonwealth allies of Australia, Canada and New Zealand after Brexit as Britain waves goodbye to the European Union. Britain could be moving towards forming the “CANZUK Union”, the acronym for Canada, Australia, New Zealand, after finally freeing itself from the bloc at the end of the Brexit transition period on December 31. Historian Andrew Roberts has described how the “superpower” nations, whose majority of people speak English, could form an alliance to be a free trade zone with the free movement of people. The “CANZUK ” nations are already set to agree lucrative post-Brexit trade deals over the coming weeks.”

I don't think the same nations as described as the young lions and, the mother lion the UK are all talking about moving their embassies to Jerusalem is a coincidence. Nor do I believe the formation of a young lions' alliance is a coincidence. I believe the Lord is showing us His warning about the Ezekiel 38 war are on course to be fulfilled. There is no doubt that the Lord is showing His children who are keeping on the watch that He is bringing the nations in line to complete His prophecy.

The guardian.co.uk released a report titled, “Israel primed to attack a nuclear Iran.” “ Israel regarded 2010 as a "critical year" for tackling Iran 's alleged quest for nuclear weapons and has warned the United States that time is running out to stop Iran from acquiring a nuclear bomb. Ehud Barak, Israel's defense minister,

told American congressmen in June 2009 there was a window of "between six and 18 months from now in which stopping Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons might still be viable." After that, Barak said – in a striking admission recorded in a confidential state department document – "any military solution would result in unacceptable collateral damage ." Barak's comments were one of many occasions in the last five years when Israeli leaders and officials have hammered home the message that Iran's nuclear ambitions pose an existential threat to Israel . Iranians continue to protect and harden their nuclear sites it will be more difficult to target and damage them," the US embassy reported Israeli defense officials as saying in November 2009. In a discussion of the upcoming delivery of GBU-28 bunker-busting bombs to Israel it was noted that the transfer "should be handled quietly to avoid allegations that the US government was helping Israel prepare for a strike against Iran" (November. 28, 2010). If Iran thinks Israel won't strike soon, they are mistaken. Israel took out both Iraq's and Syria's nuclear sites and Iran is a much greater threat to Israel! No one stepped up to help Israel when dealing with the nuclear threat against Iraq or Syria. You can see history is repeating itself again. I can assure you all, Iran will be hit by Israel to either kill off their quest to get the bomb or slow it down putting Israel out of harms way. Will Israel hit Iran before the end of 2012? Only God knows for sure however, one thing is for sure, Israel's Prime Minister can not afford to look weak. I know as well as Israel's Prime Minister that he must take action soon to protect his people from Iran's pledge to destroy Israel. As of June, 2012 Iran is still looking to wipe Israel off the map. I quote, The Fars News Agency . "Chief of Staff of the Iranian Armed Forces Major General Hassan Firouzabadi said threats and pressures cannot deter Iran from its revolutionary causes and ideals, and stressed that the Iranian nation will remain committed to the full annihilation of the Zionist regime of Israel to the end" (June 2, 2012).

It was written, "But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief" (1 Thessalonians 5:1-4). Don't be in the dark when this attack finally comes. If you are, it was because of your unbelief in God's Word and in God. The times and seasons Paul spoke about are already upon us. The prophecy given to us in Ezekiel was given with all the specific details. Nothing was left out. We know which nations are going to attack and from where they come. We also know the outcome of the war! Why did God give us so many details concerning the coming attack against Israel? Simply to get us ready to meet our Savior. If you don't believe this attack will happen now, I am sure Jesus will speak to your heart when you see it take place. In any case, you will see the power of the Word of the Lord come to pass very soon. My intention for this chapter is not to scare you, but rather to prepare you to see the future events fulfilled just the way it has been given to us in the Bible.

When will the Ezekiel 38 war take place? We may have a possible date for this war as seen by prophecy author, Grant Jeffrey. Grant writes: "Although Scripture does not indicate the year in which this future invasion and defeat of Russia will occur, the prophet Haggai gives us a strong indication of what the actual day may be . Haggai reveals that on the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month (Chisleu) of the Jewish calendar, the day before Hanukkah, God will deliver Israel as He did twice before on this day: (1) the defeat of the Syrian army and recapture of the Temple in 165 bc and (2) the British capture of Jerusalem from the Turks in 1917 during the closing battles of WW1. The prophet Haggai declares: "The Word of the Lord came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth day of the month [Chisleu], saying, Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth; and I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother" (Haggai 2:20-22). Chisleu is the ninth month of the Jewish ecclesiastical year, answering to a part of November with a part of December. It could be possible that the Lord is showing us that the ninth month of Chisleu which, would be November, and on the 24th day of that month that this war will take place?



News | Recep Tayyip Erdogan

Erdogan calls on Muslim countries to unite and confront Israel

Turkish president tells OIC leaders that Israel must be held accountable for the killing of Palestinians in Gaza Strip.



By Faisal Edroos
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Istanbul, Turkey – Turkish President [Recep Tayyip Erdogan](#) has called on Muslim leaders to unite and confront Israel, days after scores of Palestinians were killed by Israeli snipers as they marked 70 years of Israeli occupation.

As you can see from the headline in the news report above the same people God warned us about which will attack Israel are joining together under the leadership of Erdogan from Turkey. Do you now still think that what you are witnessing is a coincidence?

Here is one thing to consider. Since the Lord came to Israel's aid twice on this date in dealing with the Jewish Temple it just may be possible that the outcome of this war will again allow the Jews to start building their third Temple. Will this war happen in 2022? Since we have seen continued war talk over the years against Israel from the Muslim nations, I for one am keeping watch on the ninth month and the 24 day just in case! The Prophet Ezekiel shows us Tarshish and the young lions don't help Israel when the Ezekiel 38 war breaks out. Ezekiel shows us Israel will have to fight this war all by themselves and this is the direction we see taking shape right now. A military strike on Iran by way of Israel could still occur at a moment's notice, but the US is now warning its allies that any overseas action would jeopardize America's ability to assist in a Middle East war. Although US President Barack Obama and his challenger Mitt Romney both say the next administration will be aligned with any Israeli efforts to prevent Iran from procuring a nuclear weapon, any unilateral strike on the Islamic Republic could prevent America from offering its service in the event of a war" (RT News Nov. 1, 2012).

Ezekiel 38:13 we saw that the young lions did nothing to stop the invading armies against Israel. Keeping in mind one of those young lions is the United States we know are a witness to Israel understanding that when war comes upon Israel the Jewish nation can not count on any help via the US. Why does Israel feel this way in 2022? The report below will explain.

BECAUSE OF UKRAINE: ISRAEL NO LONGER SEES US AS RELIABLE ALLY IN POTENTIAL WAR AGAINST IRAN

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Knesset Member and former Health Minister Yuli Edelstein (Likud) is the latest voice from the Israeli establishment admitting that Washington can no longer be relied upon in case of war with Iran. At the Begin Symposium kick-off event in Jerusalem on Sunday, Edelstein **said**: "When it comes to Israel's security, the country can only rely on itself."

It is important to understand the war described in Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39 is not the same war that will come at the end of the tribulation, which is called the battle of Armageddon. At the end of the battle of Armageddon is when Jesus returns to defeat the Antichrist and Satan and establish His 1,000 year reign here on this earth. How do we know Ezekiel's battle is different from the battle of Armageddon? The war at the end of the tribulation, known as Armageddon, is a world war with every nation against Israel. This is what the prophet Zechariah tells us. "For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem" (Zechariah 14:2a). In the book of Revelation, Jesus tells us the same thing regarding all the nations coming against Israel. This is what He stated. "For them are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth together with the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty" (Revelation 16:14). "And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon" (Revelation 16:16). In the battle of Armageddon, the armies come to Israel from all over the world, whereas in Ezekiel 38 and 39 we are told these armies come from the far north. The armies who attack Israel from the far north are named specifically, and they are tiny in number compared to all the nations in the world, which at present number 192 nations.

A major point of difference is this: After the battle of Ezekiel 38, we are told 5/6 of the invading armies would be killed. God will allow 1/6 to remain alive to return to their homes, and Israel will take seven months to bury the dead from this battle. This is not the case after the battle of Armageddon. Read Revelation 19:17-18. "And I saw an **angel** standing in the sun; and he **cried** with a loud voice, saying to all the **fowls** that **fly** in the midst of **heaven**, Come and **gather** yourselves together unto the **supper** of the great **God**; That ye may eat the **flesh** of kings, and the **flesh** of **captains**, and the **flesh** of mighty men, and the **flesh** of **horses**, and of them that sit on them, and the **flesh** of all men, both free and **bond**, both **small** and great." After this battle, the birds eat up the dead, and no one is buried. Also, Scripture tells us all men will be eaten; no one is left alive after this war, and they are not buried. It appears Ezekiel's war in chapter 38 will take place around seven years before the battle of Armageddon. We are told in Ezekiel 39:9 that Israel will burn the weapons from that battle for seven years.

As a matter of fact, we are told the following in Ezekiel 39:10. "So that they shall take no wood out of the field, nor cut down any out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord God." This seven-year time period just happens to be the very length of the tribulation period, and this is why many believe Ezekiel 38 will take place seven years before the tribulation. After Jesus defeats Satan at the battle of Armageddon, Satan is locked up for 1,000 years. In Ezekiel 38 and 39, there is no mention of Satan at all, which tells us Satan was not cast into chains after this battle yet. This event still remains in the future, after Armageddon.

The handwriting is on the wall, and it is telling us that war is coming. Every nation God listed to attack Israel in the last days has some type of pact, treaty, or friendship agreement which either includes arms, oil,

or troops. Here is a fact you should keep in mind, it is no coincidence that recently Iran, Russia, and Turkey have made an alliance. These are three main players in the coming Ezekiel 38 war. When you hear these nations calling for war against Israel such as Iran has been doing in 2022, and Turkey in 2023, just remember the prophecy God warned you about in Ezekiel 38.



April 29, 2022 we heard Israel's enemy Iran once again warn Iran was going to attack Israel. The headline to the [Jerusalem Post](#) read as follows: "Iran may attack Israel directly, Nasrallah warns in Quds Day speech." "Nasrallah's speech comes after weeks of tensions in Jerusalem and multiple days of clashes on the Temple Mount between Muslim rioters and Israeli forces. On Friday, rioters threw rocks and fired fireworks toward Israeli forces and the Western Wall." [The Washington Free Beacon](#) May 25, 2022, ran a report titled: "Iran Warns Israel: 'We Are Ready for War'." I quote, Iranian military leaders say they "are ready for war" with Israel and issued renewed threats to burn Tel Aviv to the ground "very soon," according to comments made during a military demonstration in Tehran. "We are ready for war, tell Zion," one unnamed speaker was quoted as saying during the May 20 military parade organized by Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC), the country's paramilitary fighting force that has murdered scores of Americans. "No trace will be left of the demon. ... Not a single house will be left standing in Tel Aviv." In April of 2023, tensions increased on the Temple Mount in East Jerusalem over Jews being allowed up on the Mount to celebrate Passover. Islamic leaders are concerned the status quo on the Temple Mount is changing as seen by actions of the Israeli police. Jews on the Mount caused the leader of Turkey to call for the [Muslim world](#) to unite against Israel as you see from the photo below. "Erdogan is calling for what God has already told us what was going to happen. "Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan told his Iranian counterpart Ebrahim Raisi over the phone that the "Islamic world should be united against Israel's attacks in Palestine," Turkish media reported. The two world leaders also discussed the incidents at the [al-Aqsa mosque](#) and Iranian-Turkish relations, the report said. The Turkish president also noted the importance to preserve the status of holy areas and emphasized "reasonable thinking" in order to prevent further escalation of violence in Israel and the Palestinian territories, sources said. Israeli foreign minister [Eli Cohen](#) then told his Turkish counterpart Mevlut Cavusoglu the same day that the IDF will respond to any attempt to terrorize civilians. The incident came during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan and on the eve of the Jewish Passover." The Ezekiel war cannot be far off because what we see from the Ezekiel war is a world of Muslims attacking Israel.



January 11, 2024 The US Department of Defense issued the following statement. "In light of the illegal, dangerous, and destabilizing Iranian-backed Houthi attacks against US and international vessels and commercial vessels from many countries lawfully transiting the Red Sea, today the militaries of the **United States** and the **United Kingdom** , with support from **Australia** , Bahrain, **Canada** , and the Netherlands, conducted strikes against military targets in Houthi-controlled areas of Yemen. This action is intended to disrupt and degrade the Houthis' capabilities to endanger mariners and threaten global trade in one of the world's most critical waterways. Today's coalition action sends a clear message to the Houthis that they will bear further costs if they do not end their illegal attacks."

As stated earlier in this chapter you notice Tarshish is modern day the UK, its symbol is a lion. The break off from the mother lion would be the **United States, Australia, and Canada** . These are the UK'S young lions. Does it surprise you that these same people are in the Middle East protecting Israel and the Red Sea now? However, as stated earlier, we will not see the Ezekiel war until we see no bars, gates, or walls protecting Israel and Israel is living in a time where they think they are safe. Take a look at Ezekiel 38:11 and verse 14. ¹¹ And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates, 14 Therefore, son of man, prophecy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it? The news is showing us a clear picture of the events leading up to the Ezekiel war. 2024, and 2025 show us the Ezekiel war is just ahead of us.

The New York Times April 14, 2024 reported on the first time Iran ever attacked Israel from its own nation. I quote, "Iran last night launched more than 300 drones and missiles in retaliation for an apparent Israeli strike on an Iranian embassy two weeks ago." The conflict between Israel and Iran got much more intense in 2025.

"Israel strikes Iran's nuclear sites and kills its top generals. Iran vows 'severe retaliation' Israel launched blister attacks on the heart of Iran's nuclear and military structure Friday, deploying warplanes and drones previously smuggled into the country to attack key facilities and kill top generals and scientists -- a barrage it said was necessary before its adversary got any closer to building an atomic weapon " (AP June 13, 2025). is no doubt a prelude to what we will see happen during the Ezekiel war. One thing has become very clear, since the Hamas attack on Israel Oct. 7, 2023 Israel has wiped out most of its enemies that border Israel. Now Israel is attacking Iran to secure Israel lives in security.