

ISRAEL: IS THERE NO ONE TO SAVE HER?

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Zechariah 12 :2-3: “Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness to all the surrounding peoples, when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem. And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it.”

Zechariah 14:12 “And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and

their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.”

Of all the nations of this earth, no nation has captured the indignation of the whole world as much as the tiny state of Israel. Why does a nation about the size in land mass of New Jersey in the USA, cause so much anxiety of the world powers and its leaders? This is a very broad subject that I will try to condense for lack of time and space into a biblical reason for the problems faced by Israel today, from Tribulation and sorrows, to ultimate victory.

ISRAEL, GOD’S CHOSEN PEOPLE

It all began with a man called Abram whom God called from his home in what is now modern day Iraq or the southern end of Mesopotamia called Ur of the Chaldeans. Abram was told to leave his home and head for a land that God would show him. So Abram started this search of a place promised by God and he knew not where he was going, but was to follow God. During this journey, God made promises to Abram, changing his name to Abraham as he was promised to be a father of a people that would be as the stars of the heavens, or the sands of the seashore in numbers. Genesis chapter 15,

15:5 “And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

15:6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.”

God’s hand was on Abraham’s life and his descendents as God had a plan to bless the whole earth through the lineage of Abraham, and that was the birth of the Messiah to save the whole world from their sins. Of all the people of the earth, no other nation was blessed as Israel would become. God spoke of those blessings that would extend to all people, or curses.

Genesis 12:2 "And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing;

12:3 And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

As you read of the life of Abraham and his believing God for an heir, we see that Abraham got a little anxious as he grew older, and Sarah his wife made the mistake of helping God along by giving her handmaiden, Hagar for a surrogate wife to bring children unto Abraham. We all know the story of how Ishmael was born out of this mistake of human impatience and the nation of Israel has paid for it for over 4000 years. God gave His promises

to Abraham through the son born through Sarah, not Hagar, and his name was Isaac. Since that time, there has been a historical struggle between the nations produced from the birth of Ishmael and the nation born unto Isaac. That nation expanded through Isaac's son Jacob and Jacob's 12 sons as the nation of Israel, so named after their father Jacob whose name was changed to Israel by God. The descendants of these brothers are the 12 tribes of Israel and history shows that it has been a twisting and turning of events that led God's people to Egypt, then back to the Promise Land in the Exodus, and eventually overtaking their homeland promised by God, by defeating the Canaanite tribe that had been judged by God for their idolatry.

ISRAEL FALLS INTO IDOLATRY

The historical and archeological facts prove the aspects of Israel's rise to be the most powerful nation on earth, to its eventual downfall was in direct relationship to its following the Law of God and then falling into idolatry and sinning against God. God proclaimed this by His servant Moses during the Exodus blessing and curses. There would be blessings if they would follow God's law and His judgments, and curses if they did not. Until down through their history from ebb and flow of blessings when they followed God and curses when they did not, till God had enough of their failure to follow His commands and exiled them to Babylon for their idolatry. But God was not done with them. He brought them back from their exile and the 2nd Temple was rebuilt as Solomon's Temple had been destroyed by the Babylonians. During this time of Israel becoming a nation once again, they were eventually conquered by the Romans, but allowed to keep their customs and their national heritage, but paid servitude to their conquering nation, Rome. As we know, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was born during this second return, but was rejected by the ruling Theocracy of the Sanhedrin, Pharisees and a majority of the people. Many times God had chastised the nation of Israel until rejecting His Son and allowed 40 years for their repentance that never came. He sent them to the four winds and scattered them into other nations by the hands of the Romans, destroyed the 2nd Temple in 70 AD and the nation of Israel was no more. You would think that God had cast away this nation called Israel forever. Has He? If we read prophecies in the major and minor prophets concerning Israel it's not that way at all. Jeremiah wrote of their eventual return to the land of Promise.

"For it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord of hosts, "that I will break his yoke from your neck, and will burst your bonds; foreigners shall no more enslave them. But they shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up [resurrect] for them. Therefore do not fear, O My servant Jacob," says the Lord, "Nor be dismayed, O Israel; for behold, I will save you from afar, and your seed from the land of their captivity. Jacob shall return, have rest and be quiet, and no one shall make him afraid. For I am with you," says the Lord, "to save you; though I make a full end of all nations where I have scattered you, yet I will not make a complete end of you. But I will correct you in justice, and will not let you go altogether unpunished." ([Jeremiah 30:8-11](#))

Now a part has happened, as Israel is a nation once more in our modern era, but the last part of this passage has not happened, but will happen in the future and very well may be on the foreseeable future's horizon. More on that later in this message.

Now that is an encapsulated historical account of the rise and fall of Israel. Some say that Israel has been cast away and the Church has replaced Israel for the promises of God? Has Israel no hope of redemption?

ISRAEL RETURNS TO BECOME A NATION ONCE AGAIN

Exactly as Jeremiah prophesied in the above scripture, Israel has returned to her homeland after nigh 2000 years of exile. This happened in 1948, and it happened in ONE day, just as prophesied in the Old Testament. If there ever was a nation that causes so much anxiety in the international community, it would be Israel. Why is this so? As I mentioned earlier, Israel is no bigger than the state of New Jersey. Why all the anxiety and hand wringing by much larger nations? There are many reasons, but let's list just a few:

1. Israel is surrounded by their natural enemies of the Arab nations, with the religion of Islam. Many of these people are distant relatives of Israel from Ishmael, Lot, Esau, Moab, and Ammon. All of these patriarchs were related to Abraham in one form or another. There have been many wars fought to eliminate Israel from the face of the earth, but against all odds, Israel has won them all. How can that be? Because God fulfills His promises, even though Israel, as a people, don't deserve His grace and mercy, but then "do we"?

2. Judaism and Islam are in direct opposition to one another. Judaism having the true God of the Bible, Jehovah or YHVH (Yahweh) and Islam has the false god, Allah and the one culture, (Islam) will not allow the people of the true God of the Bible to live in peace. It just intensifies their hatred of the old family dispute between their common ancestors. It's Isaac and Ishmael at each other's throats all over again.

3. The international community erroneously believes that if they can appease the Arab people, calling themselves Palestinians, (which in truth are nothing but displaced Jordanians and former land squatters) they can prevent another Mid-East War and a possible World War over the Holy Land. Only thing the nations do not understand, is that the Palestinians and the surrounding Arabs do not want a peaceful solution called the "two state solution", but complete annihilation of Israel and/or driving them from the land.

4. The real reason behind the conflict between these nations is the Arab's "father" or Satan the devil who hates Israel because of the promises made by God to them. That being through the nation of Israel, Satan's greatest defeat was accomplished just at the moment he thought he had gained his greatest victory, the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus. Paul wrote of this in 1st Corinthians:

2:7 "But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

2:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory."

5. Since God cannot lie and has and never will go back on His Word so if Satan can negate any part of God's promises given to the forefathers of Israel, then he believes that if one promise is broken, he can prevent his own demise, as he will have proven God a liar. Of course, we know that God is not a liar, but Satan keeps trying to destroy the people of His promises, the Apple of His Eye.

FAST FORWARD TO PRESENT DAY

Since the creation of the State of Israel, God's people have had to fight nearly constantly for their very survival. Vastly outnumbered and out gunned by a sadistic enemy bent on their destruction. Israel has defeated their enemies at every junction of combat numerous times. How is it possible that a rag-tag fighting force at its beginning, could defeat the entire Egyptian army and their cohorts, not once, but three times in the last 65 years? True, Israel has made significant advances in weapons capability with the help of their only benefactor militarily, the USA. But still, there are stories of impossible odds that spelled doom for the tiny nation of Israel that no one could explain, save one reason...and that was God's divine intervention. Anyone can do a Google search and read about impossible odds and stories about Israeli soldiers winning decisively against a much greater enemy....reason? God was on their side and no one could explain why they won. But that is an everyday condition of the Jewish people. They are surrounded on every side and must be vigilant if they expect live to see another day. Up to the year 2008, when this present administration came into the oval office, Israel has been able to count on America as their staunchest supporter with military arms and technical assistance. But Israel counting on the USA as their chief ally now, looks to be in dire peril.

ISRAEL WILL BE LEFT TO STAND ALONE

Saber rattling has taken a diabolical tone as the nations surrounding Israel, (Hamas to the West, Hezbollah to the north, and Egypt to its south) have sworn to wipe Israel off the face of the map. But wait, a new player who is flexing its atomic muscle is on the scene to add a much more dire scenario to the mix of Jew haters. The nation of Iran has been working feverishly to enter the nuclear age. Oh, they claim for peaceful purposes of energy, but we all know that Iran has one purpose, to destroy Israel with a few well placed nuclear warheads, and boom, Israel would be no more. (at least in their midnight imaginations). For nigh now 20 years, Iran has been progressing closer and closer to being able to develop enough enriched uranium for a nuclear bomb, but it seems they have passed that threshold some time back according to this website:

<http://www.iranwatch.org/our-publications/articles-reports/irans-nuclear-timetable>

Iran is closer than the people of America even think, and the administration knows they are, but keeps the citizens in the dark. Now I read where Obama the usurper has threatened sanctions against Israel for continuing to build “settlements” in East Jerusalem. And this is Israel’s chief ally? This is their land given by God and this POTUS thinks he can dictate to Israel how they should use their land? The POTUS is foolish at best, with an Anti-God mentality at the worst.

Now given that Iran is dangerously close to a nuclear weapon, can Israel rely on the USA any longer? According to a report on **DEBKAFfile’s military sources**: “The Obama administration has put Israel on harsh notice that an attack on Iran to disrupt or delay its nuclear armament will be refused US missile backup – both in the course of the operation and to cover Israel’s back in the event of a counter-strike widening into a general Middle East conflict. The Netanyahu government will bear full and exclusive responsibility for the consequences of attacking Iran.”

It seems that the whole world has abandoned Israel from Europe that wishes to take apart Israel and recognize a “Palestinian state” to the Arabs threatening a war of opportunity should they see an opening, to Iran seeking nuclear weapons to erase the tiny state of Israel, to finally the USA coercing Israel that they will go it alone if they attack Iran as noted in another report on DEBKAFfiles:

“US Gen. Martin Dempsey’s assertion that the US would not be “complicit” in an Israel strike against Iran, together with the drastic reduction in the scale of next month’s joint US-Israeli war game disclosed by TIME, add up to a blunt message from US President Barack Obama to Israel: You are on your own! See how you manage without special US weapons and US military backup, including a shield against missile counter-attack, if you decide to defy us and go through with a military operation against Iran.”

War could break out any day now, and Israel will be on her own. I’ve been expecting it for some time now, but for some reason, Israel is keeping their cards close to their chest. It is prophesied that a coming war of neighboring Arab nations is building to a climax. Hezbollah has enough weapons, (they believe), to destroy Tel-Aviv and hit every large city in Israel including their Dimona nuclear reactor, thus creating a nuclear explosion of radioactive debris into the air of Israel. Hamas continues to test missiles into the Mediterranean Sea and getting ready for the next conflict. Jordan has taken steps to end diplomatic ties with Israel over the Temple mount and their fear that Israel will end Islamic control over the holy site.

Psalm 83 is the next war that I see coming as soon as next year. I wrote about this concerning the coming blood moons in conjunction with the blood moons that have passed this year, and will be fulfilled this next year in the fall around September or the Feast of Tabernacles (called a Blood Moon Tetrad, or four blood moons). You’ll find that message on my website. We are in the middle of that Tetrad of four blood moons which have heralded something big coming concerning Israel every time they have happened. This time will probably be no different, in fact I fully expect it. I believe the IDF will take first strike, either in an Iranian attack to set back their nuclear program, or an impending attack from neighboring Arab nations, bent on finishing what they forfeited in the wars of 1967 and 1973 and causing Israel to go nuclear and taking land from the great river of Egypt to the river Euphrates east to the west, and south to Saudi Arabia creating what Bill Salus calls, Isralestine.

On its heels, there will be a short window of peace that Israel will have thought they have defeated their enemies and have taken oil and gas rich land that is coveted by a leader, which the news media is calling “Putin, the wounded bear”, and he desires it. Russian economy is going sour. The ruble is in the tank with oil prices in the dumper, destroying what was a recovering economy of a reviving Soviet Empire. Adding to the USA and European sanctions, Russia is growing desperate and has even made a bid to be part of the Israeli Leviathan gas exploration in the Mediterranean, an overture that has been spurned by Israel.

EZEKIEL 38&39 WAR: COMING PROPHECY FULFILLED

EZEKIEL 38:4 “ And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine

army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:"

Many believe (myself included) that Russia is Magog and it is possible that Gog is their Russian leader...maybe even Putin who although wounded will covet the oil and gas of a newly formed state of "Isralestine". Only it will be God who pulls them down into His land to sanctify Himself before the world:

Ezekiel 38:18 "And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.

38:19 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

38:20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

38:21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.

38:22 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." God will rain down on this invasion and destroy them on the mountains of Israel. God does not need any help from the likes of the USA, as they have been drawn back, either by abandoning Israel as Obama looks to be doing right now, or impotent in their economic inability to intervene as God has taken vengeance in all who come against His people Israel and His city, Jerusalem. Obama is playing with fire, and God will judge those who curse Israel with a curse unto that nation. His judgment will be total of this invading army leaving only a handful of their soldiers to return to their home country and the slaying of their populations will travel back with them to their own land.

Ezekiel 39:2 "And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

39:4 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

39:5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD."

I am of a belief that this war will be something the church will not see with our human eyes. Why do I say that? Because with this war, the international community is ready to give Israel whatever they want, as they cannot explain the devastation that has destroyed 5/6 of an invading army that could be in the thousands, if not the tens of thousands of near total annihilation. It will be the perfect setting for a "man of peace" to come to the forefront and propose a peace treaty of seven years. Based on the last of my three messages concerning the "Coming Beast Power", then I see only one nation that could convince Israel to sign such an agreement. Who has been their "savior" that drew back and their REAL Savior came to their rescue? None other than the POTUS with a UN resolution in hand that the world will agree to without question, as God Almighty has shown Himself to Israel and the world, and Israel clamors for the 3rd temple to be built immediately to resume their Old Testament covenant with Jehovah (Yahweh). All roadblocks will be removed and the Temple materials that have been ready for years will be quickly assembled. Thus begins the Tribulation of seven years leading into the Great Tribulation when the Anti-Christ and his false prophet will set out to destroy only what Hitler began.

As judgment after judgment, seal after seal is broken by Jesus Christ, men in their arrogance and unrepentant heart will follow a man called the Anti-Christ to their doom. As Zechariah prophesied in the opening verses, God

will draw down the armies of the Anti-Christ and those of the world into a valley in Megiddo called Armageddon. There they will see the Lord Jesus coming with power and great glory to the rescue of His people Israel and the scripture will be fulfilled. It is said that a neutron bomb could produce similar results that Zechariah speaks of that their eyes will consume away in their holes and their tongues will consume away in their mouths and their flesh will be destroyed as they stand on their feet. God is the author of this much power, and it will be swift and complete. Only can I imagine their horror when seconds before they realize that they have come to fight a Living God, the same One they have rejected when even the angels proclaimed the Gospel message from the heavens as they flew through the air, but they would not repent. Now it is too late for them.

Many details I have condensed, as the details would require volumes of commentary, as the book of Ezekiel, Zechariah, and finally Revelation give so many details of what this world will witness. It will be the total extinguishing of rebellion on this earth, when Jesus comes to finish what His first advent began. Revelation,

19:11 “And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

19:12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

19:13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

19:14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

19:16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.”

As the prophet Zechariah added to the chorus of what Apostle John wrote, the return of Jesus Christ will be the salvation of those living on the earth who are Jews and those who have not taken the Mark of the Beast.

My question that began this message was “Israel, Is there no one to save her?” All will abandon her in her hour of peril, but the Holy One of Israel will stand and fight for His people and they will see Him coming and will cry out in belief of their Messiah.

As Jesus prophesied, it will be the trigger that brings the Lord of Creation back to fight for His people noted above when He said in Matthew:

23:39 “You won't see me again until you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

Zechariah **12:10** “And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.”

Zechariah 14:3 “Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.”

I believe there will only be a remnant saved out of the Tribulation, as those slain for the Word of God called Tribulation saints will be resurrected to join the Church who comes back riding on white horses, clothed in linen, white and clean which is a sign of the Saints. And the True, blood washed Church and the Tribulation Saints will reign on earth with Jesus Christ for a thousand years, which is just the beginning of our eternal glory.

Jesus the Christ, Lord of Creation, the Holy Father, God Almighty will return and His saints with Him. Israel will be saved, but saved as through the fire. As Jesus incarnate said, as the God of the Old Testament in Jeremiah:

"For I am with you," says the Lord, "to save you; though I make a full end of all nations where I have scattered you, yet I will not make a complete end of you. But I will correct you in justice, and will not let you go altogether unpunished." God will save His people, but a wise Christian of the Church of Jesus Christ will get on the side of God's people, even while they are in unbelief. It won't always be so. Paul proclaimed it so, when by Holy Spirit direction wrote in Roman:

11:25 "For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

11:26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

11:27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins."

Praise our Lord God, Jesus Christ...so come my Lord, your servants await for your appearing with much anticipation and steadfastness...

Are YOU ready?

This is Pastor Mike Taylor, praying that God comes to you and you repent of your sins and accept Jesus Christ as Lord...if you have needs for prayer, counseling , or just a friendly ear to listen, drop me a line at realteam1999@sbcglobal.net.

God bless you all, till we meet at Jesus feet.