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*the final "this generation" that Jesus spoke of*

## EZEKIEL 38/39

### THE RUSSIAN/ISLAMIC COALITION

**THERE IS MUCH SPECULATION** about Russia's invasion of Ukraine with many wondering if this is fulfilling Ezekiel 38/39 prophecy about the coming Russian/Islamic invasion of Israel.

According to Ezekiel's prophecy Gog of the land of Magog will amass an Islamic coalition to invade Israel at the end of our present age. Though Russia is not identified by name as part of this coalition, Russia is part of the territory known as Magog. Magog is given oversight by the archangel Gog. Historians have identified Magog as the area North of Israel stretching from the Ukraine to Siberia. This includes the land area known today as Russia.

As I outlined in my previous newsletter,<sup>1</sup> Russia is described as the feet of the *New World Order* Islamic beast that is now being put in place. As the feet, Russia's destiny is to give the necessary stability and mobility to the Islamic nations within its borders and around it so that when the time comes the Islamic beast will be prepared and organized to invade Israel. It is Russia's destiny, as revealed on *The Prophetic Timeline*, to transition world power back to the middle east.<sup>2</sup>

Russia's current invasion of Ukraine, and its desire to reclaim its historical territories, including Alaska, is part

of Russia's destiny as the feet to reclaim as much of the land of Magog as possible, especially that area in closest proximity to Israel. Reclaiming the Ukraine is an important strategic move. With the Ukraine back under Russian authority, Russia is able to establish military bases and move troops unhindered through the Ukraine, across the Black Sea, across Turkey, and into Israel. As it is now, the West could launch nuclear missiles from Ukraine to hit Moscow within a few minutes and targets in the Middle East. The goal now is for Gog to reclaim Magog's territory in preparation for the final Israeli/Islamic conflict by inspiring Russia's President Putin to move into action. At this point in prophetic history Russia's move into Ukraine is significant. We'll have to keep our eyes on how it all plays out.

### WHO IS GOG?

Gog has been a question mark in the minds of many trying to interpret Gog as some human world leader; but Gog is more than a man. Described here as a "chief prince" puts him in the same category as the princes described in Daniel 10:13 where it is clear that a prince and chief prince are angels in authority over specific geographical areas.<sup>3</sup> The archangel Michael is described by Daniel as a chief prince in authority over a specific

<sup>1</sup> *Our Present Age*, [Issue 3 2022](#)

<sup>2</sup> See line A, column 5.4 on *The Prophetic Timeline*. Click here: <http://hope-for-today.com/AOA/PDF/Chart%20-%20The%20Prophetic%20Timeline.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup> These angel princes are the principalities spoken of in Ephesians 6:12. These verses and those in Daniel indicate that all nations have an angel prince.

geographical area (Israel) with princes (angels) under him who are in authority over nations.

That Gog is an archangel is also clear when you consider that God is talking to Gog in the late 500's BC that he is the one who would release God's final anger upon His people.<sup>4</sup> There is only one who the prophets forewarned was coming to bring great tribulation<sup>5</sup> on God's people, and that is the Antichrist. Jesus spoke of him as the abomination that makes desolate, and the apostle Paul referred to him as the son of perdition.<sup>6</sup> Being the son of perdition reveals the Antichrist has the full power of the Devil and is the Devil on earth in the same way that Jesus was the son of God with the fullness of God and was God on earth. Gog is also referred to in Revelation 20:7-10 at the end of the Millennium. Here we have Gog mentioned one last time. He is given authority to rise up one last time to come against Israel. God intervenes. The battle is short. The millennium age ends and we then enter into God's great white throne judgment.<sup>7</sup>

In these Scriptures we find Gog is alive in Ezekiel's present, past, and future. Gog never dies. He is an angel on a mission and inspires the nations under his authority to reach his goals. When we think of Gog, we think of the Devil and the Antichrist...the three are the same.

## GOG & HIS LAND

Gog is in authority over a vast amount of land called Magog. As with the beginning of all nations, Magog was a grandson of Noah and the son of Japheth. It is from the sons of Noah that all nations originated and were divided throughout the earth.<sup>8</sup> The geographical area assigned to Magog originated here and continues throughout history to our present age. The archangel in authority over the land of Magog is Gog.

Historians have traced Magog's land to the ancient Scythians. These tribes lived North of the Black Sea and their territory stretched from the Ukraine to Siberia.

Magog's main geographical area is modern day Russia and Turkey. As we saw in the previous section, Gog is the fallen angel Lucifer who is now the Devil. Revelation 2:13 informs us that the Devil/Gog has his dwelling place and throne in Pergamos, which in our day is Pergamum and is located on the northwest of Turkey. This is the Devil's homebase today. When he rises on the earth through the Antichrist, he will appear out of Turkey. Ezekiel also confirms that Gog comes out of the North, which is Turkey, when he comes against Israel.<sup>9</sup>

To prepare for the massive invasion into Israel it is important that the Ukraine is reunited with the land of Magog. Currently it is under Western governance. Now that we are coming closer to the final battle, it is important that Ukraine is reestablished as part of the land of Magog. To make this happen, Gog has inspired Russia's President Putin to take back the Ukraine at whatever the cost. He has no concern for the people, only the land. Regaining Ukraine allows Gog to mobilize his Russian forces through the Ukraine, across the Black Sea, across Turkey, and into Israel.

We can say with assurance that the current situation with Russia and the Ukraine is not the beginning of the Ezekiel 38/39 invasion of Israel since the one called the Antichrist is not yet in authority. The situation does signal that the final pieces necessary for this invasion are being put in place.

We live in dangerous times. Hold on, whatever may come. Hold on!

## GOG & HIS ALLIES

When Gog invades Israel he will bring with him the Islamic nations of Libya (Libya), Iran (Persia), Sudan (Ethiopia, Cush), as well as Turkey (Gomer, Togamah, Mesheck), and Russia.<sup>10</sup> Other nations in alliance with him will also join in this invasion as indicated in Ezekiel

<sup>4</sup> Ezekiel 38:17

<sup>5</sup> Ezekiel 38:8-16

<sup>6</sup> Matthew 24:15,16; 2 Thessalonians 2:3

<sup>7</sup> Revelation 20:11-15

<sup>8</sup> Genesis 10:2-5, 32

<sup>9</sup> Ezekiel 38:15

<sup>10</sup> Ezekiel 38:1-7

38:6 when it talks about Turkey's "bands" and the "many people" who will come with him.

Look at the map below. Notice how Libya, Iran, Sudan, and Turkey surround Israel. As with the story of David



and Goliath, Israel is faced with an undefeatable giant. Turkey is to the North. Sudan is to the south. Iran is to the East. Libya is to the West. With this massive Islamic force Gog enters the land of Israel covering her like a cloud. Israel does not have the military strength or numbers to overpower this Islamic force. God intervenes and fights for Israel. The end result is not good for Gog and those in alliance with him.<sup>11</sup>

## WHEN DOES GOG INVADE?

Ezekiel 38:8 and 16 records that the invasion takes place in the "latter years," the "latter days." These years refer to that time we call the "last days" and "end times." These final days refer to the end of God's anger upon Israel which Daniel records takes place when the Antichrist releases his hatred and anger upon God's people through the great tribulation/Jacob's trouble during earth's final seven years.<sup>12</sup>

Before Gog invades Israel the Jews must be back in their land and the land must be prosperous.<sup>13</sup> This has taken place. The Jews also must be living in peace.<sup>14</sup> This won't take place until the Antichrist arrives and confirms a seven year treaty with Israel. Since the Antichrist is not yet in authority, we know what is happening in the

Ukraine will not fulfill Ezekiel's 38/39 war. It is a steppingstone to set the final pieces in place to make it happen and it's possible other empires will get involved...but it will not lead to the great Islamic invasion of Israel lead by Russia.

The world is quickly moving toward fulfilling the United Nations *Agenda 2030* and the World Economic Forums *the Great Reset* goals to have the entire world restructured and transformed into a new world economic/political structure no later than the year 2030. Russia's movement, along with what takes place in and out of Libya, Iran, Sudan, Turkey, and the Middle East, between now and then, will intensify to realign that part of the world as well as the West in preparation for the arrival of the Antichrist and his invasion of Israel. This will take place after the Antichrist breaks his seven-year treaty with Israel and means that until the treaty is signed, there is always three and a half years before Ezekiel's invasion takes place. When the treaty is confirmed, three and a half years later the invasion takes place. Ezekiel's 38/39 invasion will not take place until the Antichrist confirms a seven-year treaty with Israel.

## GOD IS IN CONTROL

No matter what takes place upon the earth it does not happen unless God has authorized it. Even in this great battle of the ages when Gog comes against Israel, it is God who puts hooks into Gog's jaws to drag him into war with Israel.<sup>15</sup> It is God who releases Gog and his evil to complete His anger and indignation against Israel. God draws Gog into battle to destroy him and his influence upon His people and the world. It is Gog who the Israelites followed when they rebelled and turned away from God. In His jealousy,<sup>16</sup> God turned against Israel since they turned against Him. Even today Israel has not yet turned back to God. He uses Gog and his military, along with diseases, torrential rains, hailstones, fire and brimstone to plead with His people and the heathen to acknowledge Him and to know that He is God, and He is

<sup>11</sup> Ezekiel 38:18-23

<sup>12</sup> Daniel 9:25-27

<sup>13</sup> Ezekiel 38:8, 12-13

<sup>14</sup> Ezekiel 38:11

<sup>15</sup> Ezekiel 38:4-9, 16, 17

<sup>16</sup> Ezekiel 38:19; 39:25

the God of Israel.<sup>17</sup> There is only one God. Soon all people everywhere will know His power and presence.

By destroying Gog God sanctifies Himself, revealing His purity and justice and showing to the world His power. Through Gog/Antichrist's defeat, all nations will then know the reality of the true God and His son through the demonstration of His power against Gog. As the Psalmist wrote, "The Lord is known by the justice He brings."<sup>18</sup> God prefers that people come to repentance without His judgement. But knowing the terror of the eternal hell to come, He demonstrates His power so none are without excuse for not receiving Him when they stand before Him.

Today is the day of salvation. Receive Him today before His judgment is poured out upon you.<sup>19</sup>

## 2030 WATCH

Now that we have a target date of 2030 for having the final political, economic, and cultural environment in place no later than 2030, we can expect the increase in and intensity of wars, diseases, violence, inflation, etc. in order to set in place the environment necessary to welcome the one called the Antichrist.

Russia's move into Ukraine and desire to take back territory once belonging to them, including Alaska, signals that Gog is ready to have his alliances and borders in place to facilitate his invasion into Israel.

Russia's President is not the decision maker in the direction he takes his country. Gog is the master mind who utilizes those empires attached to the final Islamic *New World Order* to advance his goals. This is why we are reminded in Ephesians 6:12 that our battle is not with flesh and blood, presidents and politicians. It is with "principalities [ruling angels], against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." As we saw in our last issue of *Our Present Age*, the empires attached to the *New World Order Islamic* beast are Russia, Great Britain, and the

United States. From this point forward decisions made by these empires will support the advance of the Middle East to the position of the dominant world power. Whether it is Russia, Great Britain, or the United States you will find a juggling back and forth of assistance to Libya, Iran, Sudan, Turkey, and their allies. In this way the middle east can move forward developing and growing its military, its wealth, and its political power in preparation for the future mass invasion of Israel.

Though there is little we can do to stop the direction the world is moving toward, there is a lot we can do to prepare ourselves for the increasing pressure we will continue to face. Jesus promises to carry any pressure you may carry so that your load/pressure is bearable.<sup>20</sup> This is made possible through the Holy Spirit he gives to us. It is this Holy Spirit in us that gives peace, comfort, assurance in the most extreme and intense of situations. No matter what the future holds, hold on to God. Don't let go. Continue to look up. Christ is coming soon to take us to our eternal home.

The days are dark. Hold on! It won't be long.

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"For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." (Romans 8:18)

<sup>17</sup> Ezekiel 38:21-23

<sup>18</sup> Psalm 9:16

<sup>19</sup> 2 Corinthians 6:2

<sup>20</sup> Matthew 11:30