





Two Old Testament Wars that impact on Revelation

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He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. Psalm 121:4

The Servitude of the Nation

- One of the Prophet Ezekiel's strangest acts was to lie on his side for 430 days, each representing a year of judgement against the nation.
- The first siege of Nebuchadnezzar in 606 BC began 70 years of captivity (Jeremiah 25:11; 29:10), which ended July 23, 537 BC by the Decree of Cyrus. Few Jews close to return to Jerusalem, scattering throughout the world.
- This left 430-70 = 360 years of judgement unaccounted for.
- Leviticus 26:18 states, "...if you will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins." This would mean 360 years x 7 = 2,520 years of judgement on account.
- Biblical years in Genesis and Revelation were 360 days (Anderson):
 2,520 years X 360 days/year = 907,200 days of judgement.
- July 23, 537 BC plus 907,200 days (accounting for leap years and calendar changes) means punishment ended on May 14, 1948 AD.

May 14, 1948: State of Israel is reborn



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Isaiah 11:11-12

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

The Desolations of Jerusalem

- Jerusalem suffered three sieges by Nebuchadnezzar. In the siege of 606 BC, he took Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego captive and left a vassal in charge. The vassal rebelled and was replaced by Zedekiah. He, too, ultimately rebelled and Nebuchadnezzar levelled the city walls and all in 587 BC. This began a 70-year period known as the "Desolations of Jerusalem".
- The Desolations of Jerusalem lasted until August 16, 518 BC, when king Artaxerxes gave Nehemiah authority to rebuild the city (Neh 2). This was *coincidentally* 70 years to the day after the third siege.
- Applying the prophecy of Ezekiel once again:
- Aug 16, 518 BC plus 907,200 days (accounting for leap years and calendar changes) means the Desolations of Jerusalem ended on <u>June 7, 1967 AD</u>.

June 7, 1967: Israel captures east Jerusalem



The Six-Day War between Israel and its Arab neighbors ended with a United Nationsbrokered cease-fire. The outnumbered Israel Defense Forces achieved a swift and decisive victory in the brief war, rolling over the Arab coalition that threatened the Jewish state and more than doubling the amount of territory under Israel's control. The greatest fruit of victory lay in seizing the Old City of Jerusalem from Jordan; thousands of Jews wept while bent in prayer at the Second Temple's Western Wall.

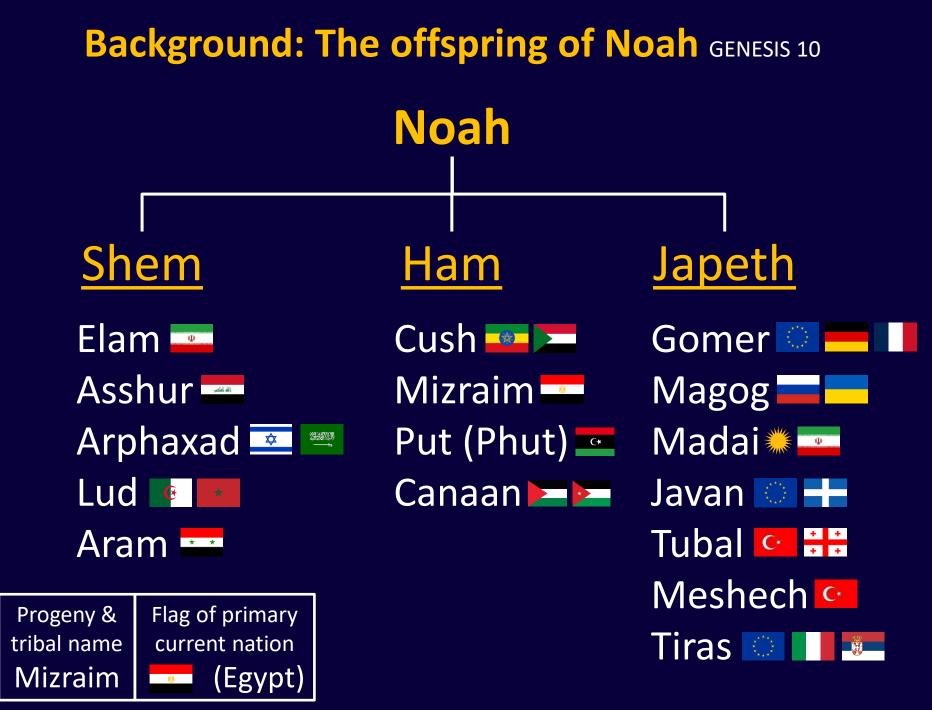


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 - **Ezekiel's Chapters 38-39** also describe a Gentile coalition of ten entities that want to annihilate Israel, yet all ten members are different. The Psalm 83 players that bound on Israel's borders are missing from Ezekiel's battle. Conservative scholars tend to see parallels with Revelation 20:8, which is clearly prophetic.



The Psalm 83 Confederation

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A widely overlooked 3,000 year old prophecy predicts a confederate invasion of Israel by the Arab countries that share common borders with Israel. This Muslim coalition of countries and terrorist groups has the following mandate: "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation, That the name of Israel may be remembered no more." (Psalm 83:4). The Psalm 83 battle precedes that prophesied in Ezekiel 38-39, and explains why these countries are not listed by Ezekiel's prophecy.

The Psalm 83 battle is often conflated with the invasion by Russia, Iran, Turkey, Libya, and several other countries per the prophecy in Ezekiel 38-39. But no explanation is given as to why Ezekiel's prophecy is silent on the Muslim countries presently bordering Israel.

Some scholars suggest that the Psalm 83 war closely resembles the Six Day War of 1967, or even the 1974 Yom Kippur War. Others see both the Psalm 83 and Ezekiel 38-39 battles as coming in the future.

Asaph, Head of David's choir

- Asaph was a Levite contemporary of David mentioned as a musician who played the cymbals (1 Chr 16:5) and "seer" along with David (2 Chr 29:30).
- Son of Berekiah from Gershon, the Doorkeeper of the Ark, Asaph and his brother Zechariah were in charge of music before the Ark for 49 years before the Temple was built.
- One of three musicians (with Heman and Jeduthun) David put in charge of worship at the sanctuary (1 Chr 16:37-43; 2 Chr 5:12), Asaph was chief musician (1 Chr. 16:4–5) over 4,000 singers divided into twenty-four courses. Each singer ministered two weeks every year. There was also a special choir of 288 singers (1 Chron. 25:7).
- Asaph lived and ministered throughout the reigns of David, Solomon and Rehoboam.
- He wrote 12 psalms (50, 73-83) and likely put some of David's psalms to music.
- His Psalm 74 prophesied the invasion by Syrian Antiochus Epiphanes who plundered Jerusalem in 167 BC, profaning the temple and placing an image of Jupiter in the holy place (Abomination of Desolation).



Asaph, Chief Musician (c. 1020 - 920 BC)



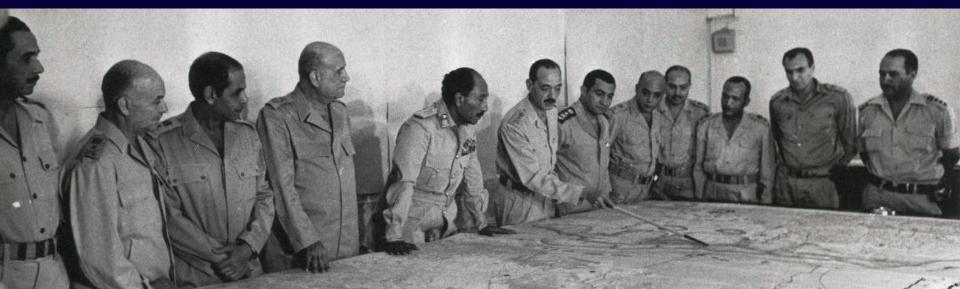
A Cry for Judgement

Psalm 83. A Song. A Psalm of Asaph.

Do not keep silent, O God!
 Do not hold Your peace,
 And do not be still, O God!



- ² For behold, Your enemies make a tumult;
 And those who hate You have lifted up their head.
- ³ They have taken crafty counsel against Your people, And consulted together against Your sheltered ones.
- ⁴ They have said, "Come, and let us cut them off from *being* a nation, That the name of Israel may be remembered no more."



- ⁵ For they have consulted together with one consent; They form a confederacy against You:
- ⁶ The tents of Edom^a and the Ishmaelites^b; Moab^c and the Hagrites^d;
- ⁷ Gebal ^e, Ammon ^f, and Amalek ^g;
 Philistia ^h with the inhabitants of Tyre ⁱ;
- ⁸ Assyria ^j also has joined with them; They have helped the children of Lot. Selah









The Psalm 83 Coalition



The Psalm 83 Confederates















Palestinians and South Jordanians Tents of Edom Ishmaelites Saudis (Ishmael, father of Arabs) Moab Palestinians and Central Jordanians Hagrites Hagarenes - Egyptians Gebal Hezbollah and Northern Lebanese Palestinians and North Jordanians Ammon Amalek Arabs of the Sinai Area Philistia Hamas of the Gaza Strip Hezbollah and Southern Lebanese Tyre Syrians and Northern Iraqi's Assyria



9 Deal with them as with Midian, As with Sisera, As with Jabin at the Brook Kishon, ¹⁰ Who perished at En Dor, Who became as refuse on the earth. ¹¹ Make their nobles like Oreb and like Zeeb, Yes, all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna, ¹² Who said, "Let us take for ourselves The pastures of God for a possession."

- a. Victory of Gideon over Midian (vv. 9a, 11; Judg. 6–8)
- b. Victory of Deborah and Barak against Sisera and Jabin (vv. 9b-10; Judg. 4-5)
- c. En Dor (Jos. 17:11), not mentioned in Judges 4–5, was near Taanach (Jud. 5:19).
- d. Oreb and Zeeb were commanders (princes) of the Midianite army
- e. Zebah and Zalmunna were Midianite kings (Judg. 7:25-8:21).

Bataille de Gédéon contre les Madianites by Nicolas Poussin (1625 – 1626), Vatican

- ¹³ O my God, make them like the whirling dust, Like the chaff before the wind!
- ¹⁴ As the fire burns the woods,And as the flame sets the mountains on fire,
- ¹⁵ So pursue them with Your tempest, And frighten them with Your storm.
- ¹⁶ Fill their faces with shame, That they may seek Your name, O LORD.
- ¹⁷ Let them be confounded and dismayed forever;
 Yes, let them be put to shame and perish,
- ¹⁸ That they may know that You, whose name alone is the LORD, Are the Most High over all the earth.



The Structure of Psalm 83

A song; a psalm of Asaph. (Psalm 83:1)

A God, do not be silent (83:2-4)

B They say, "Come, let us wipe out their nation; let Israel's name be mentioned no more!" (83:5)

C The people against God (83:6-9)

C' The people who were destroyed by God (83:10-12)

B' Who made a plan together, "Let us seize the pastures of God." (83:13)

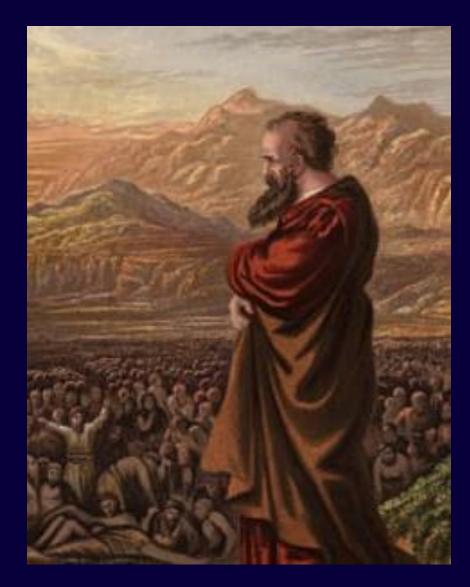
A' My God, turn them into withered grass (83:14-19)

A: Prayer for salvation. B: Words of enemies. C: The people against God.



Ezekiel, Priest and Prophet

- Ezekiel's ministry was conducted in Jerusalem and Babylon in the first three decades of the 6th century.
 Before the first surrender of Jerusalem, he was a functioning priest.
- He was among those deported in 597 to Babylonia. Ezekiel's religious call came in July 592.
- He subsequently prophesied until 585 and then was not heard of again until 572. His latest utterance can be dated at about 570.



Gog the king

- Ezekiel 38:2 introduces "Gog, prince of Rosh" (LXX), without background. Context can be found in some other passages:
 - "¹Thus has the Lord God shewed me; and, behold, a swarm of locusts coming from the east; and, behold, one caterpillar, Gog the king." (Amos 7:1 LXX)
 - "²⁷ The locusts have no king, yet they all advance in ranks;" (Proverbs 30:27)
 - "³ And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power." (Revelation 9:3) "¹¹ And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon." (Revelation 9:11)

Gog is a demon king.



(Γωγ ὁ βασιλεύς) **Gog the king** (London Guildhall)



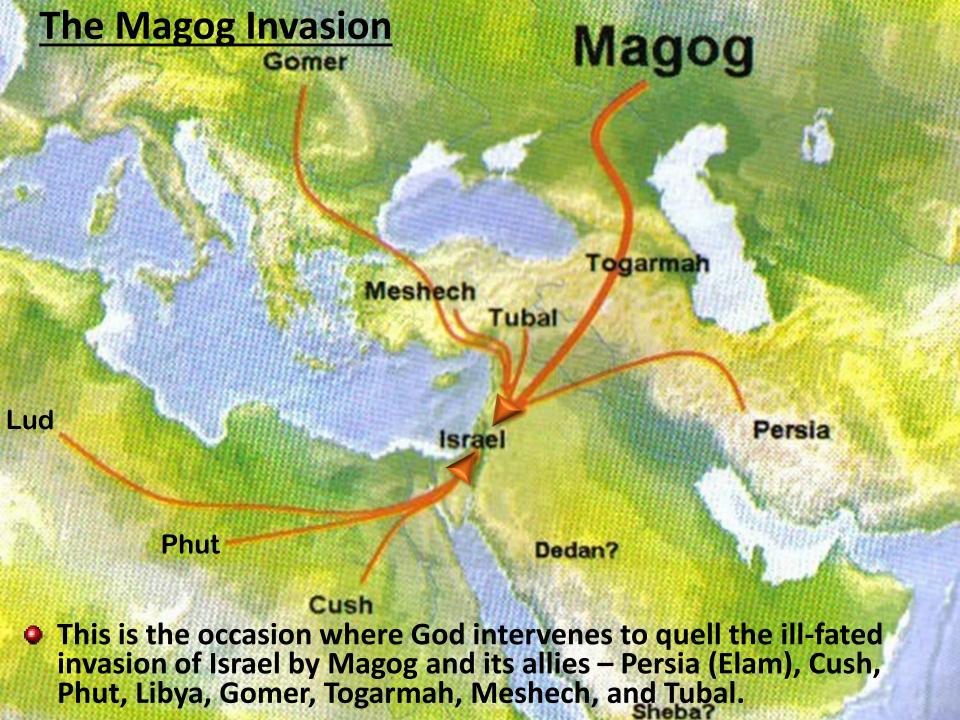


The Israel of Ezekiel 38:8-13

- 1. Regathered from the nations (Ezek. 38:8)
- 2. In the "latter years" (Ezek. 38:8)
- 3. Brought back from the "Sword"
- 4. Dwell in "Midst" of a land long desolate (Ezek. 38:6)
- 5. Peaceful people dwelling securely (Ezek. 28:26, 38:8)
- 6. Dwelling without "Walls", "Bars" or "Gates" (Ezek. 38:11)
- Having gold and silver and acquired livestock and goods (Ezek. 38:13; Zephaniah 2:7,9)
- Wealthy nation possessing booty and "Great Plunder" (Ezek. 38:13; Zephaniah 2:7,9)

Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, ² "Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophesy against him, ³ and say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I *am* against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. ⁴ I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords.

⁵ Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya are with them, all of them with shield and helmet; ⁶ Gomer and all its troops; the house of Togarmah from the far north and all its troops—many people are with you.



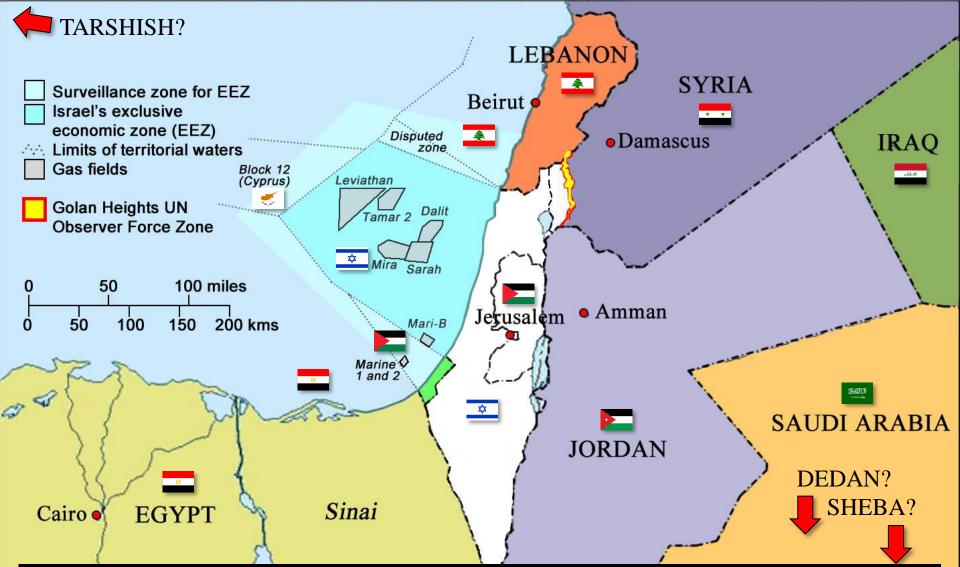
God's Allies per Ezekiel 38-39



- Gog
- Magog
- Rosh
- Meshech
- Tubal
- Persia
- **Ethiopia**

Gomer

- 🗱 🔀 Chief Prince and Military Leader
 - Scythians (Ukraine, Russia, "Stans")
 - Land north of Black Sea (Russia)
 - West Turkey
 - East Turkey to Upper Euphrates R.
 - Iran ¢
- 📂 💳 South of Egypt (Sudan, Ethiopia)
- West of Egypt (Libya, Algeria, etc.) Libya **()**
 - Cimmerians along Danube & Rhine
- Togarmah 💳 ⊂ Armenia, Turkey



¹³ Sheba, Dedan, the merchants of Tarshish, and all their young lions will say to you, 'Have you come to take plunder? Have you gathered your army to take booty, to carry away silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods, to take great plunder?' "' ⁷ "Prepare yourself and be ready, you and all your companies that are gathered about you; and be a guard for them. ⁸ After many days you will be visited.

In the latter years you will come into the land of those brought back from the sword *and* gathered from many people on the mountains of Israel, which had long been desolate; they were brought out of the nations, and now all of them dwell safely.

⁹ You will ascend, coming like a storm, covering the land like a cloud, you and all your troops and many peoples with you."



- ¹⁰ 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "On that day it shall come to pass *that* thoughts will arise in your mind, and you will make an evil plan:
- ¹¹ You will say, 'I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates' — ¹² to take plunder and to take booty, to stretch out your hand against the waste places *that are again* inhabited, and against a people gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell in the midst of the land.

¹⁴ "Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say to Gog, 'Thus says the Lord GOD:

"On that day when My people Israel dwell safely, will you not know *it*? ¹⁵ Then you will come from your place out of the far north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great company and a mighty army. ¹⁶ You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes."

¹⁷ Thus says the Lord GOD: "Are you he of whom I have spoken in former days by My servants the prophets of Israel, who prophesied for years in those days that I would bring you against them?

Axis of Advance of Gog's Armies



Judgment on Gog

- ¹⁸ "And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord GOD, "that My fury will show in My face.
- ¹⁹ For in My jealousy *and* in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: 'Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel, ²⁰ so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep on the earth, and all men who *are* on the face of the earth shall shake at My presence.

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The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.' ²¹ I will call for a sword against Gog throughout all My mountains," says the Lord GOD.

"Every man's sword will be against his brother. ²² And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who *are* with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.



²³ Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the LORD."

Chapter 39 - Gog's Armies Destroyed

- ¹ "And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, 'Thus says the Lord GoD: "Behold, I am against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal; ² and I will turn you around and lead you on, bringing you up from the far north, and bring you against the mountains of Israel.
- ³ Then I will knock the bow (קְשֶׁת, qesheth, launcher) out of your left hand, and cause the arrows (קָשֶׁת, chets, piercing missile) to fall out of your right hand.
- ⁴ You shall fall upon the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who *are* with you; I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and *to* the beasts of the field to be devoured. ⁵ You shall fall on the open field; for I have spoken," says the Lord GOD.
- ⁶ "And I will send fire on Magog and on those who live in security in the coastlands. Then they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

Israeli Weapons Systems



- Israel's Arrow ABM (Anti-ballistic Missile) designed to replace the Patriot.
- Nuclear-capable IDF F-35 Stealth Fighters, one of several types of nuclear-capable aircraft in the Israeli Defence Force arsenal.
- Iron Dome intercepts and destroys shortrange rockets and artillery shells.





- Protector[®]USV Unmanned Surface Vehicle w/Typhoon
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- Advanced Truck-mtd 155mm Howitzer System (ATMOS)
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- ⁷ So I will make My holy name known in the midst of My people Israel, and I will not *let them* profane My holy name anymore. Then the nations shall know that *I am* the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.
- ⁸ Surely it is coming, and it shall be done," says the Lord GOD. "This *is* the day of which I have spoken.
- ⁹ "Then those who dwell in the cities of Israel will go out and set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and bucklers, the bows and arrows, the javelins and spears; and they will make fires with them for seven years.
- ¹⁰ They will not take wood from the field nor cut down *any* from the forests, because they will make fires with the weapons; and they will plunder those who plundered them, and pillage those who pillaged them," says the Lord GOD.





Left-over weapons provide Israel's energy needs for seven years.

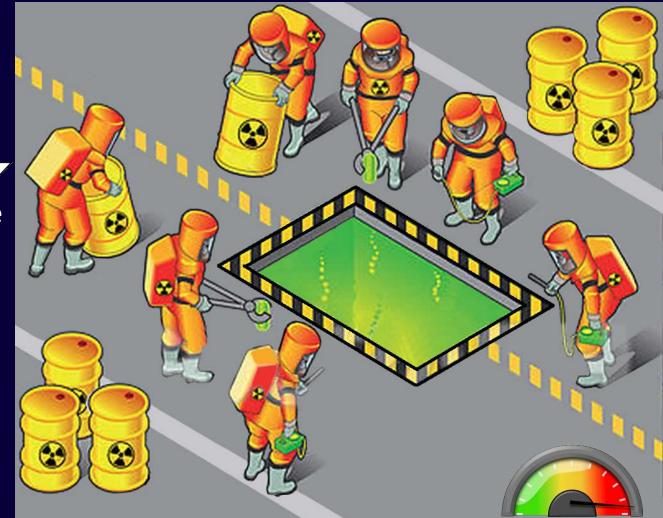
The Burial of Gog

¹¹ "It will come to pass in that day *that* I will give Gog a burial place there in Israel, the valley of those who pass by east of the sea; and it will obstruct travelers, because there they will bury Gog and all his multitude. Therefore they will call *it* the Valley of Hamon Gog. ¹² For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them, in order to cleanse the land.



¹³ Indeed all the people of the land will be burying, and they will gain renown for it on the day that I am glorified," says the Lord GOD.

- ¹⁴ "They will set apart men regularly employed [*professionals*], with the help of a search party, to pass through the land and bury those bodies remaining on the ground, in order to cleanse it. At the end of seven months they will make a search.
- ¹⁵ "The search party will pass through the land; and when anyone sees a man's bone, he shall set up a marker by it, till the buriers have buried it in the Valley of Hamon Gog.
- ¹⁶ "The name of the city will also be Hamonah. Thus they shall cleanse the land." '



A Triumphant Festival

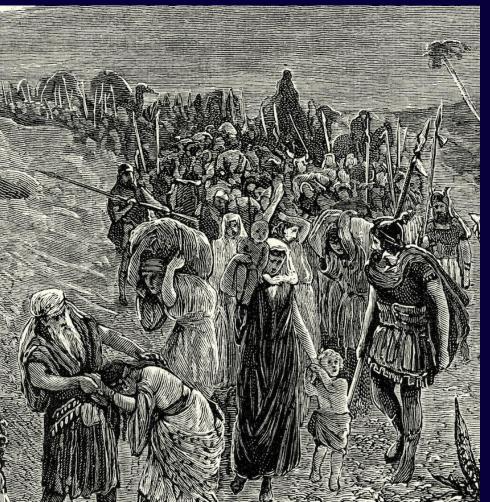
¹⁷ "And as for you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Speak to every sort of bird and to every beast of the field:

"Assemble yourselves and come; Gather together from all sides to My sacrificial meal Which I am sacrificing for you, A great sacrificial meal on the mountains of Israel, That you may eat flesh and drink blood. You shall eat the flesh of the mighty, Drink the blood of the princes of the earth, Of rams and lambs, of goats and bulls, All of them fatlings of Bashan. You shall eat fat till you are full, And drink blood till you are drunk, At My sacrificial meal which I am sacrificing for you. You shall be filled at My table With horses and riders, with mighty men And with all the men of war," says the Lord GOD.

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- ²¹ "I will set My glory among the nations; all the nations shall see My judgment which I have executed, and My hand which I have laid on them.
- ²² So the house of Israel shall know that I *am* the LORD their God from that day forward.



- ²³ The Gentiles shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity; because they were unfaithful to Me, therefore I hid My face from them. I gave them into the hand of their enemies, and they all fell by the sword.
- ²⁴ According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions I have dealt with them, and hidden My face from them." '

"Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: 'Now I will bring back the captives of Jacob, and have mercy on the whole house of Israel; and I will be jealous for My holy name—
 ²⁶ after they have borne their shame, and all their unfaithfulness

in which they were unfaithful to Me, when they dwelt safely in their *own* land and no one made *them* afraid.

²⁷ When I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and I am hallowed in them in the sight of many nations, ²⁸ then they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God, who sent them into captivity among the nations, but also brought them back to their land, and left none of them captive any longer.

²⁹ And I will not hide My face from them anymore; for I shall have poured out My Spirit on the house of Israel,' says the Lord GOD."

Israel will survive and fulfil prophecies

- They have become an "exceedingly great army" (Ezek. 37:10)
- 2. The execution of judgments on those who despise them (Ezek. 28:25)
- 3. They will then dwell securely (Ezek. 28:26)
- 4. They will acquire Arab lands and great plunder (Obadiah 1:19, Jeremiah 49:2)
- Sovereign International acclaim as "My People Israel" (Ezek. 25:14, 38:14,16)
- They will become one of the wealthiest nations on earth (Zephaniah 2:7,9)









Modern Wars involving Israel 🛥

War of Independence (1947 - 1949)

Egypt **(***

Iraq

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Yom Kippur