

Mid-East Prophecy Update – September 22nd, 2013

- If you were to put a title on today's update it would have to be something like "The World is Falling Apart as Prophecy is Coming Together."
- By way of example, arguably, the entire Middle East is falling apart, and clearly, it's evidenced by how Bible prophecy is coming together.
- You don't have to be a rocket scientist to figure out that the Middle East, vis-à-vis the current situation in Syria is hanging on by a thread.

- However, it seems that this last week, Syria has been eclipsed, at least here in the US, by the floods in Colorado, and the shooting in DC.
- The problem with this is, we're not hearing much about Syria, and we're also not hearing much about the U.S. peace process with Israel.
- Add to this, other breaking news throughout the week that has prophetic significance, and how they too are signs the world is falling apart.

- Here's another example, this one a little closer to home, the entire US economy is falling apart as evidence, that prophecy coming together.
- Here's how I get there, whether we like it or not, the scriptures contain prophecy's describing a worldwide crash, before a new world order.
- Namely, the impending economic collapse globally that ushers in a one world monetary system under the antichrist, during the tribulation.

- Let me hasten to say that I firmly believe, we as believers won't be here when it happens and I'll share why at the conclusion of the update.
- However, just because we won't be here when it happens, doesn't mean we won't go through some financial difficulty before it happens.
- While I hope I'm wrong, and I very well could be, there is the possibility that we may in fact experience economic crisis prior to the rapture.

- It's for this reason that I would rather address it and have nothing happen as opposed to not addressing it only to have something happen.
- We'll look at two of the prophecies that foretell this, both of which are in the book of Revelation, and the first of which is in the chapter 6:5-6.

Revelation 6:5-6 NIV When the Lamb opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" I looked, and there before me was a black horse! Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. (6) Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a day's wages, and three quarts of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!"

- Here we're told that during the seven year tribulation there will be unthinkable worldwide hyperinflation. It will take a day's wages just to eat.
- This of course presupposes that even if you had a day's wages, that you would be able to buy something to eat by virtue of Revelation 13.

Revelation 13:16-18 NIV (16) He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, (17) so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name. (18) This calls for wisdom. If anyone has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's number. His number is 666.

- This prophecy here in Revelation thirteen, has led many students of Bible prophecy to surmise that a complete global collapse comes first.
- More specifically, there must be a three-fold collapse, governmentally, economically, and even religiously, before this prophecy is fulfilled.
- Will the US take the lead with the looming government shutdown, packaged with the debt ceiling and defunding Obamacare, in eight days?

- Now, I am keenly aware of those who may argue that the stock market is at an all time high, and the housing market is even rebounding.
- In response to this, I would simply say, that if we've learned anything at all from the past, it's that we've learned nothing at all from the past.
- The fact of the matter is, a balloon is always the biggest, right before it bursts, and so too is the stock market the highest, before it bursts.

- Please know that I in no way wish to foster a spirit of fear, as it were, however, I do need to share with you some very disturbing headlines.
- The common denominator with all of them is that they seemingly point to, and speak of, prophecy coming together as the world falls apart.
- Perhaps better said, from the Catholic Pope to the world's presidents and everything in between, one would have to draw this conclusion.

- For your consideration, I've organized the following headlines into three categories, with the hopes that our eyes and hearts would be open.
- First, I'll read the headlines religiously, then second, governmentally, then third and finally, economically, and as I do, listen for two words.
- The words destruct and reconstruct. Once we're out of the way sudden destruction comes then reconstruction of a new world order comes.

1. RELIGIOUSLY

[Islamic Movement leaders warn of 'Israeli plan to destroy al-Aksa Mosque'](#)
[Al-Qaeda Vows to Slaughter Christians After US 'Liberates' Syria](#)
[Pope Francis assures atheists: You don't have to believe in God to go to heaven](#)
[Pope seeks historic easing of rigid Catholic doctrine](#)
[Pope Warns Church Must Find Balance or Fall 'Like House of Cards'](#)
[Pope Francis: Church too focused on gays and abortion](#)
[The Pope Separates Jews from Israelis](#)
[Two Hundred Million Europeans See Israel as Nazi State](#)

2. GOVERNMENTALLY

[Government Shutdown Looming Over Obamacare, Sequester](#)
[Detroit Government Shuts Down Power Because Residents Didn't Conserve Electricity](#)
[Egyptian forces raid pro-Morsi town of Kerdasa](#)
[Egypt arrests prominent Muslim Brotherhood spokesman](#)
[Egypt army storms Islamist-held town](#)
[No time left for negotiations with Iran: Israeli minister](#)
[Hinting at dismay with Obama, PM says Israel can rely only on itself](#)
[Official: Obama and Netanyahu to meet in Washington on September 30](#)
[Putin to visit Iran for first time in six years](#)
[Turkey downs Syrian helicopter, claims it violated airspace](#)

[Implications of the US-Russia Agreement About Assad](#)
[Obama waives ban on arming terrorists to allow aid to Syrian opposition](#)

3. ECONOMICALLY

[Al Qaeda Leader Urges Small-Scale Attacks in US to "Bleed America Economically"](#)
[Obama: 'Raising the Debt Ceiling...Does Not Increase Our Debt,' Though It Has 'Over 100 Times'](#)
[US House passes budget bill that would defund healthcare law](#)
[Cabinet Establishes Team to Evaluate Reducing the Use of Cash](#)
[Gas prices set record: 1,000 days above \\$3 a gallon](#)
[American poverty figure edges up to 46.5 million](#)
[Why a US recovery may send Treasury's, dollar crashing](#)
[Analysis: House Republicans go for broke in fiscal battles](#)
[Food-Stamp Use Rises; Some 15% Get Benefits](#)
[Study: U.S. Debt Obligations \\$70 Trillion](#)
[4 in 5 in US face near-poverty, no work](#)
[National Debt Stacked in Dollar Bills Would Stretch from Earth to Moon Five Times](#)
[Study: Record Number 21 Million Young Adults Living With Parents](#)
[US blows out \\$16.7 trillion debt limit](#)

- I would suggest that these headlines paint a very bleak picture of how the world is falling apart and as such prophecy is coming together.
- By that I mean; it's just a matter of time before these prophecies in Revelation find their fulfillment, which means we're closer than we think.
- Be that as it may, for those of us who are born again believers in Jesus Christ, we have absolutely nothing to worry about concerning this.

[Matthew 6:19-34](#) "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. (21) For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (22) "The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are good, your whole body will be full of light. (23) But if your eyes are bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness! (24) "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money. (25) "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? (26) Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? (27) Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? (28) "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. (29) Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. (30) If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? (31) So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' (32) For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. (33) But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (34) Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

- In closing, I'd like to share with you why it is that we as born again believers will be taken up in the rapture before it all comes crashing down.

[Matthew 24:36-42 NIV](#) "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. (37) As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. (38) For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; (39) and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. (40) Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. (41) Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. (42) "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.