

Mid-East Prophecy Update – October 20th, 2013

- For today's update, I want to sort of peel the geopolitical layers back far enough so as to address what I see as two stunning occurrences.
- Namely, that of the successful destruction of the America from within-in concert with the unsuccessful destruction of Israel from without.
- If you were to ask me what I thought would seal the deal in terms of how close we are to the end, these two reality's would be my answer.

- It's important we understand how that Islam deems the United States the "Great Satan," and Israel the "Little Satan," and as such must go.
- As far back as even ten years ago, an irrelevant United States was virtually inconceivable, yet, within the last five years, it's now inevitable.
- Moreover, as far back as ten years ago, Israel seemingly had allies, at least as it relates to the United States, yet, now, Israel stands alone.

- During my staycation over the last two weeks, I watched in horror as our government shutdown, and moved dangerously close to a default.
- If the truth be known, this eleventh hour deal to reopen the government and delay the 17 Trillion Dollar debt ceiling debate is more horrific.
- This because, the next few months we're back at the drawing board, as it were, and the propensity for the unthinkable is again inevitable.

- That said, in the span of just two weeks, the US and Israel moved the needle of Bible Prophecy to full, such that they're about to be fulfilled.
- Seemingly with the click of a mouse or the stroke of a pen if you prefer both the US and Israel were simultaneously postured, prophetically.
- More specifically, the posture of the US is that of being decreased, and the posture of Israel is that of being increased, on the world stage.

- Here's how I get there, the US is as insolvent in our poverty, as Israel is solvent in prosperity, and both must happen for the end to come.
- Let me explain, if the US was still the world's superpower, and Israel still had at least the US as an ally, then the end is not yet to come.
- Here's why, there's no mention of the US as a superpower in the world, and Israel will be sole focal point, as the obsession of the world.

- Now, with the presupposition that the demise of America is a foregone conclusion, I'd like to draw your attention to Tuesday, October 1st.
- It just so happened to be the last day of the UN General Assembly in the US, in which Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu spoke.
- I hope you'll indulge me as I quote Netanyahu and in so doing, correlate key components in his profound speech to specific Bible prophecy.

- What follows are excerpts from Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's speech, and their corresponding prophesies in the pages of scripture.

First quoting Netanyahu: "...We are an ancient people. We date back nearly 4,000 years to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. We have journeyed through time. ... And we re-established our sovereign state in our ancestral homeland, the land of Israel."

Now quoting fulfilled prophesies in scripture: **Ezekiel 37:12 NKJV** Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel."

Matthew 24:32-36 NIV "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. (33) Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. (34) I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. (35) Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. (36) "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

Quoting Netanyahu: ...Today our hope for the future is challenged by a nuclear-armed Iran that seeks our destruction. But I want you to know, that wasn't always the case. Some 2,500 years ago the great Persian king Cyrus ended the Babylonian exile of the Jewish people. He issued a famous edict in which he proclaimed the right of the Jews to return to the land of Israel and rebuild the Jewish temple in Jerusalem. That's a Persian decree. And thus began an historic friendship between the Jews and the Persians that lasted until modern times.

Quoting fulfilled prophesies in scripture: **Isaiah 44:28 NKJV** Who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, And he shall perform all My pleasure, Saying to Jerusalem, "You shall be built," And to the temple, "Your foundation shall be laid."'
Isaiah 45:13 NKJV I have raised him up in righteousness, And I will direct all his ways; He shall build My city And let My exiles go free, Not for price nor reward," Says the LORD of hosts.

Quoting Netanyahu: "...in 1979 a radical regime in Tehran tried to stamp out that friendship. As it was busy crushing the Iranian people's hope for democracy, it always led wild chants of "death of the Jews." ...I know ...some in the international community think I'm exaggerating this threat. Sure, they know that Iran's regime leads these chants, "death to America, death to Israel," that it pledges to wipe Israel off the map. But they think that this wild rhetoric is just bluster for domestic consumption. Have these people learned nothing from history? ...Ladies and gentlemen, Israel will never acquiesce to nuclear arms in the hands of a rogue regime that repeatedly promises to wipe us off the map."

Quoting about to be fulfilled prophesies in scripture: **Psalms 83:4 NIV (4)** "Come," they say, "let us destroy them as a nation, that the name of Israel be remembered no more."

Ezekiel 38:1, 5 NIV (1) The word of the LORD came to me: ...**(5)** Persia, Cush and Put will be with them, all with shields and helmets,

Quoting Netanyahu: ...In our time the Biblical prophesies are being realized. As the prophet Amos said, they shall rebuild ruined cities and inhabit them. They shall plant vineyards and drink their wine. They shall till gardens and eat their fruit. And I will plant them upon their soil never to be uprooted again. Ladies and gentlemen, the people of Israel have come home never to be uprooted again. (Applause.)

Quoting both fulfilled and about to be fulfilled prophesies in scripture: **Amos 9:14-15 NIV** I will bring back my exiled people Israel; they will rebuild the ruined cities and live in them. They will plant vineyards and drink their wine; they will make gardens and eat their fruit. **(15)** I will plant Israel in their own land, never again to be uprooted from the land I have given them," says the LORD your God.

- In closing, I'd like to quote the prophet Isaiah because it sums up and settles the matter whether or not one is a believer or is not a believer.

Isaiah 1:18 NKJV "Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool."