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WHAT'S REALLY HAPPENING IN THE MIDDLE EAST?

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Luke 21:28-36

Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." 29 Then He spoke to them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. 30 When they are already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. 31 So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. 32 Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all things take place. 33 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. 34 "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. 35 For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. 36 Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Matthew 24:32-37

"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. 33 So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! 34 Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. 36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. 37 But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

I should first of all say,
congratulations and welcome to all of you,
for you have entered into a time period unlike any other in all of human history. These are The Days that, according to the scripture that would announce the commencement of the last days events as recorded in the ancient Scriptures.

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<https://open.oregonstate.education/app/uploads/sites/7/2019/06/image-3-4.jpg>

Deuteronomy 29:29

"The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Isaiah 41:21-23c

“Present your case,” says the LORD. “Bring forth your strong reasons,” says the King of Jacob. 22 “Let them bring forth and show us what will happen; Let them show the former things, what they were, That we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; Or declare to us things to come.23 Show the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods.

Isaiah 46:9-11

Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, “My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure,’ 11 Calling a bird of prey from the east, The man who executes My counsel, from a far country. Indeed I have spoken it; I will also bring it to pass. I have purposed it; I will also do it.

Amos 3:7

Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.

2 Peter 1:19-20

And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; 20 knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,

What is the definition of an Epicenter?

We must answer the question by #1 being true historians regarding the past and #2 by being keen-observers of the present.

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1.) Why Israel matters and will always matter?

Israel, both as a Sovereign Nation and as an Ethnic People Group, exist among the nations of the earth, like no other in all of human history. Israel, time and time again has proven itself to be the most Remarkable, the most Unique, and the most Unsuspecting and certainly the most Impossible Nation and People to have ever existed - - So much so that there is really no explanation sufficient enough to qualify the existence of Israel or the Jew - - but through one key source - - the Bible.

1 Peter 1:10b-12

The prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you, 11 searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow 12 To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things which angels desire to look into.

According to the Bible, Israel holds a Special place in God's heart and mind.

The Bible is full of expressions of God's affection for Israel.

Zechariah 2:8

(The LORD is Tender regarding His Nation of Israel.)

For thus says the LORD of hosts: "He sent Me after glory, to the nations which plunder you; for he who touches you touches the **apple** of His eye.

2 Chronicles 6:5-6a

(The LORD is Jealous of His Nation of Israel.)

"Since the day that I brought My people out of the land of Egypt, I have chosen no city from any tribe of Israel *in which* to build a house, that My name might be there, nor did I choose any man to be a ruler over My people Israel. **6a** Yet I have chosen Jerusalem.

Psalms 121:3-4

(The LORD is Protective over His Nation of Israel.)

He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. **4** Behold, He who keeps Israel Shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Genesis 12:1-3

(The LORD is Faithful to His Nation of Israel.)

Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Why Israel matters and will always matter?

Like an Engine – Things are Spooling Up

Bible prophecy and the Prophetic Scriptures,
Are centralized around one single nation on earth as being the epicenter –
the mainstage of God's End Time Final Act.

To be accurate - The near future for Israel will look bleak as the LORD
once again focuses on the nation of Israel and the Jewish people during a period of time revealed in the
book of Daniel, known as the time of Jacob's trouble,
The Seven Year Tribulation Period or Dispensation. (1,260 x 2 – 2,520 days or 7 years)

It is a time so well documented in advance - that it has held biblical
scholars in awe for thousands of years. A descriptive and graphic time that has staggered man's
imagination and put a reverential fear into the hearts
of all those who have studied it.

It all begins with the fact that
the Bible records a (4 Word) Proclamation!

Made up of just (16 Letters) - - that appears 1,902 times in the Bible;

“Thus Saith The Lord”. And this “Thus Saith The Lord” is a Proclamation, a Declaration made by the Ancient Hebrew Prophets regarding (1) the nations of the world, yet always with Israel being at the Epicenter of their Proclamation-Declaration of their Prophecy.

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2.) What do Israel’s enemies have in common?

Many have asked over the centuries,
“How is Israel, Still Israel?”

From the Book of Esther Chapter 3

in the days of King Ahasuerus, Queen Esther and Mordecai – there was a high functioning narcissist, by the name of Haman. Haman was an Agagite, - an enemy of the Jewish people, a hater of Israel and a genocidal freak.

The Dirty Secret is – It’s all about The Dirt.
Whoever controls the land controls the Last Day’s events.
(It’s all about the Promised Land)

“Israel must not be allowed to exist, and a Jew must not be allowed to live.”

**“The creation of Israel is a crime that must be erased.
Muslims have a religious duty to combat Jews in Israel and worldwide.”**

Osama bin Laden
b.1957 - d.2011

There is only one religion in the world whose existence is devoted to the total destruction of all Jews and the Nation of Israel. – Islam.

Islam (aka: submission) is a Geopolitical-Theocratic-Worldview-System.
and is 100% incompatible with all (infidels) non-Muslims.

<https://www.algemeiner.com/2024/03/15/we-should-salute-them-hezbollah-leader-expresses-gratitude-american-anti-israel-activists/>

<https://www.memri.org/tv/hizbullah-sec-gen-hassan-nasrallah-uncommitted-campaign-america-pressure-biden-losing-elections-gaza>

“From the River to the Sea”

Is an antisemitic slogan dating back from the 1960’s

However, this is not what you’re hearing today. What you’re hearing today is;

“From the River to the Sea Palestine will be Free”

Israel is Being Accused of Being the Occupier.

(q1) What is Palestine? (q2) where did Palestine come from?

(q3) Is there any ancient Palestinian coins, or artifacts? (q4) Are there any Palestinian archaeological discoveries, pottery, tools, or artwork? And if there is, (q5) how far does it date back? (q6) Was there ever a Palestinian dynasty, nation or city state, and (q7) what other nations coexisted with Palestine?

The word “Palestine” is not of Arab or Middle Eastern origin. It dates back 1,900 years ago and is derived from a people who were not native to the region of Israel / Judea — The word “Palestine” is derived from the word Philistine, a people who had come from the regions of the Aegean Sea who were closely related to the ancient Greeks. They settled on the coast of what is now called Gaza. All traces of the Philistines had disappeared by the 6th century BC.

But why is the land such a big deal?

Psalm 83:1-8

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 and the Ishmaelites; Moab and the Hag’rites; **7** Geb’al, Ammon, and Ama’lek; Philis’tia with the inhabitants of Tyre; **8** Assyria also has joined with them;

Joel 3:1-3a

“For behold, in those days and at that time, When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem, **2** I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there On account of My people, My heritage Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land. **3** They have cast lots for My people,

It’s fascinating to look ahead into the book of revelation where we can see that the Bible reveals to us the remarkable anti-Semitic hatred that the devil himself, Satan has for the Jew, and for the land of Israel.

Whatever can be used to attack Israel and its Existence -
Is a direct attack against the God of the Bible
The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob – the God of the Land of Israel.

Comfort & Confirmation from the Book of Revelation

Revelation 12:1-6,13-14

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. 2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth. 3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. 4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. 5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her

there one thousand two hundred and sixty days..., :13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. 14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

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3.) Is Israel's existence important?

Satan knows the Bible better than we do, but he doesn't believe it like we do.

Satan knows that Israel and Jerusalem must not be allowed to exist. If Israel does exist at the Time of the End - then Jesus' 2nd Coming is not only certain, it is near!

In All of Human History

No Other Nation / No Kingdom / No City State / No Dynasty has Long Endured.

Civilizations, nations, empires, and movements that have tried to destroy Israel throughout Israel's history.

Ancient Egyptian Empire	0	Israel	
The Philistines	0	Israel	
The Assyrian Empire	0	Israel	
The Babylonian Empire	0	Israel	
The Persian Empire	0	Israel	
Greek Empire	0	Israel	
Roman Empire	0	Israel	
Byzantine Empire	0	Israel	
Ottoman Empire	0	Israel	
Spanish Empire	0	Israel	
The Nazi Third Reich	0	Israel	
The Soviet Empire	0	Israel	
The Iranian Regime	0	Israel	0 (overtime)

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4.) The Dark Lords are gathering as we speak.

I know that sounds more like a scene coming right out of a Sci-Fi Horror film or chapter from The Lord of The Rings - - But it's true...

**the invisible-spirit- (~~wars~~) battles have begun
warfare that is behind the physical scenes of our lives.**

Ephesians 6:10-13

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **11** Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. **13** Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

John 14:1

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

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