

# Ezekiel 39– 8 May 2025

## “Final Attack: God’s Victory Over Gog” ‘Episode 2 of 2’

### Introduction

- \*1<sup>st</sup> Section was (Chap 1-3): Ezekiel’s Commission
- \*2<sup>nd</sup> Section (Chap 4-24): Prophecies Against Judah
- \*3<sup>rd</sup> Section (Chap 25-32): Prophecies Against Nations
- \*4<sup>th</sup> Section (Chap 33-39) Of Israel’s Restoration
- \*5<sup>th</sup> Section (Chap 40-48) Of the Millennial Kingdom
- \*This 4<sup>th</sup> section of Israel’s restoration really mirrors & prototypes the restoration of any church or individual
  - \*Chap 33-34 – we see the need of good leaders
  - \*Chap 35-36 – we see the need to prepare the land for fruit production
  - \*Chap 36-37 – we see the need for a unified new heart & life of the people
  - \*Chap 38-39 – we see the need to trust in the Lord thru the attacks of the enemy until the end
- \*Here in Chap 38-39, we’re seeing 5 parts of this attack from Gog’s forces against Israel (3 of 5 today)**

## **Recap the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> part from Ezekiel 38b**

### **#1 – We identified the players, places & what prompts them (Chap 38:1-13)**

In Vss 1-3 we...

1. Identified God of Magog as the Russian leader
  - a. We walked thru the Bible & history to determine how we can know this is so
  - b. We set this pattern to know how all these nations have come down thru time
2. We IDed Meshech & Tubal as parts of Turkey

In Vss 4-12 we...

1. IDed Iran, Ethiopia, Libya & rest of Turkey
2. We IDed what prompting Russia to invade
  - a. They seek a financial advantage over Israel
  - b. We talked of how natural gas motivated all

In Vs 13 we...

1. IDed that nations that stand off & stand down
2. Saudi Arabia, Western Europe & America

## **#2 – We identified God’s plan & activity (Chap 38:14-23)**

In Vss 14-17 we...

1. Spoke of how God has already prophesied of this Russian attack & knows all about it (Num 24)

In Vss 18-20 we...

1. Saw God use earthquakes to defeat Russia
2. Yet worldwide events begin to happen

Finally, in Vss 21-23 we...

1. Saw hail, fire & brimstone rain down from God

Transition – Now, as w/ Gen 1-2, so too w/ Eze 38-39

The 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter gives further detail of what was given in the previous chapter

### #3 – The Scope of Gog’s Attack (Chap 39:1-8)

Read Chap 39:1-2

1. *Drive you on*
  - a. The words literally are ‘a sixth’
  - b. The words mean annihilated by confusion
2. *Brought against the mountains of Israel*
  - a. This isn’t an analogy, or computer warfare
  - b. This is a literal military invasion

Read Vs 3-5

1. Remember, it does no injustice to the text to read *bow & arrow* as ‘missile’ & ‘missile launcher’
2. It’s a timeless way to identify these tactics

Read Vs 6-8

1. A fire into the land of Magog & the coasts
  - a. Gog brought the battle to Israel, but God brought the battle to Gog’s home Magog
  - b. If this doesn’t describe a nuclear exchange between the USA & Russia, nothing does

2. Notice, these things affect the whole world
  - a. “*The nations will know I’, Yahweh*” – (vs 7)
  - b. Whole earth will quake – from Eze 38:20

## **#4 –Gog’s Intention Is Turned Backward (Chap 39:9-20)**

Read Chap 39:9-10

1. Those that intended to spoil Israel will be spoil
  - a. Whoever exalts himself will be abased & vis versa
2. So ingenious, Israel will turn implements of war into implements of warmth
  - a. Heat-seeking missiles into heat
  - b. This is another indication that we’re dealing w/ the chemical & nuclear fuels from missiles & equipment
3. 7 yrs of burning the weapons
  - a. This indicates not just a quantity of fuels but also the time you can continuously burn these radioactive fuels before they’re spent

- b. This timing is an indication that this battle probably happens before 7 yr Trib starts, but could happen after the Rapture of the Church

Read Vs 11-16

- 1. Burying the dead in one place is common
  - a. Napoleon's French army of 1812 was scattered across Russia & were gathered up into mass graves in modern Vilnius, Lithuania
- 2. All Israelis will play a part in recognizing the dead, for 7 months but specific people are assigned to burying the dead
  - a. Once identified, they don't touch it, but mark it
  - b. Again indicates radioactive contamination

Read Vs 17-20

- 1. Let this not be mistaken for the Battle of Armageddon in Rev 19 just before 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming
  - a. That's in a valley, this is on mts of Israel
  - b. That's Anti-Christ's forces, this is Russia's

## #5 – It's Always Been About Saving Israel (Chap 39:21-29)

Read Chap 39:21-24

1. God's saving work for Israel will change the nations around the world
2. *Glory, judgement & hand*
  - a. The weighty substance (*glory*) of God's work (*hand*) will change (*judgement*) the world
3. *Israel will know that I am the Lord*
  - a. All of Chap 33-39 have been leading to this
  - b. Rom 11 is coming true right here

Read Vs 25-29

1. What a glorious conclusion
2. Goal all along has been to return Israel to a good relationship with the Creator & lover of their soul
3. No more being scattered & ruled over by haters
  - a. Now they're ruled by love
4. No more enemies anywhere around them
  - a. Now there's only God with them

5. No more reminders of their unfaithful past
  - a. Now a view of God's face at last

## Conclusion

So, as with Israel, so with us the Church, the devil wants to stop the advancement of God's work

God will be glorified, but do we want to join in on His plan and be blessed for it

So now we understand the 5 parts of Gog's attack

1. Identified players, places & promptings (38:1-13)
2. Identified God's Knowledge & Activity (38:14-23)
3. Seen the scope of Gog's battle (39:1-8)
4. Seen Gog's intent is turned backward (39:9-20)
5. It's always been about saving Israel (39:21-29)

God's love towards His people will never be thwarted

Next week, we begin the final section of Ezekiel

\*The Temple (40-43), the rituals (44-46) & the new holy land (47-48)