

### IS THIS SUPPOSED TO BE GOOD ?

Admiral Dennis Blair, our new National Intelligence Director testified before the Senate Intelligence Committee. Some of what he said was a real eyes opener. Blair has called our current economic situation a bigger threat than al-Qaeda. He fleshed it out a bit in the Senate hearings. It seems, with plants closing, the retail sector shrinking, bankruptcies and foreclosures he believes that we could soon see this country in the throes of a form of “violent extremism” that characterized parts of the world during the 1920’s and 1930’s. This could bring bread lines and unemployment exceeding even the Depression era. Though officially unemployment remains below 7%, - if you add in those who have given up looking for full time employment you get closer to a figure of 14%. That’s a pretty scary number.<sup>1</sup>

Many analysts, - like Howard Davidowitz for instance, believe that we are in the process of witnessing a “permanent change” to the average American’s standard of living and way of life. The ability to borrow for a home, good schooling for the kids and a car “is gone”. Home values have already plunged by \$8 trillion and consumer debt load has skyrocketed to \$14 trillion. These are numbers that can hardly be fathomed.<sup>2</sup> Zbigniew Brzezinski, Carter’s right hand man and a key advisor to the Obama campaign, asks the obvious question: What’s “going to happen in this society when these people are without jobs, when their families hurt, when they lose their homes and so forth?”. Then he answers his own question, - “hell, there could even be riots”.<sup>3</sup> Over 3.5 million American’s already lost their jobs since the start of the crisis. The UN estimates that another 50 million worldwide will see their jobs disappear before the end of the year.<sup>4</sup>

All of this is what Admiral Blair sees when he evaluates the dangers facing the US today. The US Army War College issued a report last November entitled: “Known Unknowns: Unconventional ‘Strategic Shocks’ in Defense Strategy Development. The report spoke of “unforeseen economic collapse” leading to “violent, strategic dislocation” resulting in “loss of functioning political and legal order” and “widespread civil violence”. In order to address such a scenario, the administration would need to “reorient priorities” toward defending “domestic order and human security”. In laymen’s terms that means bringing the troops home from overseas, - (at least some of them), - and employing them here in the US. That’s why you saw a brigade already assigned this last fall to the task of homeland security. Here’s the way the report put it. “Under extreme circumstances, this might include use of military force against hostile groups inside the United States”. In case you haven’t caught it, that means they’re gearing up for martial law.<sup>5</sup>

### ASSEMBLING THE MAGOG ALLIANCE

**“Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure”.** (Isaiah 46:9-10)

*What’s interesting about watching today’s headlines is that you can so clearly see the outlines of Biblical prophecy being fulfilled. The Scriptures are nothing if not specific in what they have to say. That’s what makes the Bible unlike any other ‘holy’ book around. The prophetic is taking shape before our eyes. God’s purposes are being accomplished.*

### WAR #1

The Scripture describes two wars against Israel that are to take place in the last days, before Christ’s return to rule the earth. The first is written of in Psalm 83 and detailed by the prophets Isaiah and Obadiah. This is an assault carried out by the inner ring of nations that surround Israel. Its purpose is to **“destroy them as a nation, that the name of Israel be remembered no more.”** (Psalm 83:4) And that is the purpose of the Palestinian charters and the inbred lust taught to the acolytes of Islam from childhood in that region. The psalmist goes on to tell us very specifically just who will be doing the fighting in that war. He refers to Edom which is Jordan. The **Ishmaelites** are Saudi Arabia and Egypt. **Moab**

again is Jordan. The **Hagrites** refers to the Egyptians and possibly other North African peoples. **Ammon** yet once more refers to Jordan, **Philistia** is the Palestinians, **Tyre** is in Lebanon, the home of Hezbollah. Finally, **Assyria** takes in part of the areas of Syria, and Iraq and Iran.

It is easy to see that alliance taking shape. We've got Hezbollah, the Palestinians of both Hamas and Fatah, and even Syria gearing up their war-making machinery. Despite the peace, Egypt has never stopped to war game and train for the next Israeli conflict. No one would be surprised by this war. In fact, we can see the possible outlines for its fulfillment.

The Bible has much to say about this first war. Isaiah 17:1 tells us, "**Behold, Damascus will cease from being a city, And it will be a ruinous heap**", and goes on to detail the destruction of the peoples of Syria. That destruction will come so swiftly that it suggests a nuclear response by Israel to some provocation by the Syrians. "**Then behold, at eventide trouble! And before the morning, he is no more.**" The Bible tells us that this will be an act justified by the actions of the offending Syrians. "**This is the portion of those who plunder us, And the lot of those who rob us.**" (Isaiah 17:14) As if courting trouble, Damascus is today the home of several terror groups, bringing Admiral Blair's warning that he expects North Korea to renew its export of nuclear technology to states like Syria. The Syrians were building a nuclear reactor until it was destroyed by Israeli warplanes in September of 2007.<sup>6</sup> Jane's Defense Weekly reports that satellite imagery recently revealed that Damascus is now building a chemical weapons plant in the northwest region of Syria. That's right next to Al-Safir, the base that houses their longer range Scud D missiles and launchers.<sup>7</sup>

The short book of Obadiah gives a picture of the destruction of the Palestinians. "**For violence against your brother Jacob, shame shall cover you, and you shall be cut off forever.**" Obadiah 1:15 gives the time of and reason for the sentence. It will be executed as we approach the day of Christ's return. "**For the day of the LORD upon all the nations is near; As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head.**" It is interesting too, the use of the term "**reprisal**". That is the term often used by the media to describe the "cycle of violence", as they would have it, between Israel and the Palestinians. Then in verses 17&18, we find the terms of the sentence: Total destruction. "**The house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. The house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame; But the house of Esau shall be stubble; They shall kindle them and devour them, and no survivor shall remain of the house of Esau,**" **For the LORD has spoken.**" The terms are stark indeed! Not one "...shall remain of the house of Esau".

The sentence is confirmed in Isaiah 14:31. "**All you of Philistia are dissolved; For smoke will come from the North.**" The entire scenario is reviewed in Zechariah 9. Here the prophet pronounces again "**The burden of the word of the LORD**", against Damascus, but this time adds Tyre and Sidon, in modern-day Lebanon, whose power "...will be devoured by fire". Of course that is where Hezbollah has set up camp with its modernized rocket arsenal ready to launch, and capable of hitting now all of Israel. Zechariah goes on to pronounce against the Philistines (Palestinians) and states emphatically in 9:5, that "**The king shall perish from Gaza**". No more Palestinian Authority, - it seems! Gaza is the home of course, of the fanatical Hamas terror entity. The prophecies are eerily prescient in their application to today's news. Just this month, the former head of Iran's National Security Council, announced that the government would continue to employ its proxies Hamas and Hezbollah for actions against Israel. In fact the hope was that Hamas, - rather than seeing its political role shrink, - would take over the West Bank, - to open yet another front against Israel.<sup>8</sup> We know that these forces are in place. But if we look again at current events we can see the outline of next war, - the Gog / Magog alliance forming.

## WAR #2

The outcome of the war against Syria, the Palestinians, Jordan, the terrorists of Lebanon and possibly Egypt will be one of total victory for Israel. It will bring a great annexation of 'Promised' land and a time of peace before the next war. One can only imagine the rage of the surviving Arab-Islamic nations, as they witness the destruction of Damascus, the utter defeat of Syria, and the annexation of parts of Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and the whole of Gaza and the West Bank.

Isaiah 17 seems to tell us that it will lead to the hate-fueled invasion by the Gog-Magog alliance of Ezekiel 38. **“Oh the raging of many nations, - they rage like the raging sea...they roar like the roaring of great waters.”** (Isaiah 17:12) Yet before that invasion there will be a time of peace. When the next alliance comes against God’s People, Ezekiel 38:11 tells us, they will say to themselves, **“...‘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’”**. That peace and sense of security is made possible by Israel’s total victory over the Palestinians and her other Arab neighbors, so totally dedicated to her destruction. Perhaps it is the time of the 7-year treaty confirmed by Antichrist, guaranteeing that peace. In the event, it leads to the great Gog-Magog invasion.

The roster of nations that make up that alliance is relatively clear with one giant exception; - the identity of Magog itself. Here’s the defining Scripture. **“Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, “Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophesy against him, and say, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “Behold, I *am* against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out.... Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya are with them, all of them *with* shield and helmet; Gomer and all its troops; the house of Togarmah *from* the far north and all its troops—many people *are* with you”** (Ezek 38:1-4, 5-6)

We know that Iran (Persia) will be a major player; - as will many of the Turkic peoples that make up the former Islamic Soviet republics. Libya and Ethiopia are nations today. But as for Magog, there seems to be two legitimate candidates: Russian and Turkey. The ancient Greek writer, Hecataeus identified Magog as referring to the Scythians.<sup>9</sup> The Jewish historian Josephus concurred in that appraisal.<sup>10</sup> From there it is easy to trace the location of these Scythians. Archaeology has located that people in the areas east and north of the Black Sea, the Crimea and along the Don River. Chuck Missler further tells us that “...even the name “Caucasus” appears to have been derived from Gog-hasan, or “Gog’s Fort”.<sup>11</sup> Therefore: Magog = Scythians = Russians. The first major player in the invasion is Russia.... Well maybe it’s Turkey. The former Muslim and Palestinian terrorist-turned-prophecy writer, - Walid Shoebat, - makes an equally strong case that Magog refers to the modern day Turks. Relying on the Roman historian Herodotus as well as ancient Assyrian sources, Shoebat and others identify the Scythians or Lydians with their ancient homeland in Anatolia in Asia Minor in Turkey.<sup>12 13</sup> [Even if it’s not Magog, - Turkey it seems, will definitely be a part of that invading force.]

In either case, things are moving along quite nicely for the formation of that alliance. Ominous preparations are already underway. Early last month the Iranians launched their own communications satellite that for all intents and purposes signaled the world that they had the capability to build Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles, capable of delivering a nuclear payload. Within just a few short years, cities in the US and certainly Europe could carry an Iranian bullet. <sup>14</sup> All of this would not be possible if it were not for the help of Putin’s Russia, who has consistently supplied the Iranians with weapons systems such as the Tor-M1 missile defense system. A longer range more sophisticated unit, dubbed the S-300 has been promised but not yet delivered.<sup>15</sup> Moscow has also aided in the construction of Iranian nuclear plants that are fast producing a homegrown nuclear weapon. According to the latest estimates, Iran may already have refined enough fuel for a bomb and is expected to be able to complete its construction sometime later this year. Russia meanwhile is busy cementing another leg of the alliance. Earlier this month it announced the formation of a Rapid Reaction Force made up of troops from Russia as well as the now-independent, former Soviet republics. <sup>16</sup>

Then there’s the growing rapprochement between Turkey and Iran. First reacting violently to the Israeli operations in Gaza, Turkey is continuing to orient itself away from a Western alliance and take up common cause with the Islamic nations such as Iran. Turkey announced that it was seeking to “broaden its relations with Tehran in all areas, and to the maximum extent”. And an editorial in Kayhan, an influential Turkish paper, called for an alliance of Sunnis and Shiites as part of the Muslim Brotherhood [read: really radical Islamo-Fascist terror group], - that “must stand alongside Iran as part of an emerging Islamic Middle East bloc confronting the West”.<sup>17</sup> Ezekiel it seems, is battling a thousand!

Meanwhile tensions between Iran and Israel continue to rise. Citing American intelligence sources, Britain's Daily Telegraph reports that Jerusalem has begun a campaign utilizing "hitmen, sabotage, front companies and double agents" to slow or stop Iran's nuclear weapons program. The Israeli government rightly believes that an Obama administration is unlikely to sanction an attack against the Iranian nuclear sites that would involve flying over American controlled airspace. Their goal is to take out key people in the program and disrupt the supply chain. According to Stratfor Intelligence, they have the cooperation of US intelligence in these operations. The Israelis have successfully compromised some Iranian atomic scientists and bought key information. But it is all just a delaying tactic, as they never expect to be able to completely stop the program.<sup>18</sup> *Oh what a tangled web...*

## **CRISIS BREWING IN KOREA**

Back in 1981, Peter Lemesurier revealed the New Age / Illuminati plan to bring the Antichrist to power. He talked about a series of planned events that would occur in close succession that included wars in the Middle East involving Israel and the Arabs, stock market crashes, accelerating earthquake activity, and a nuclear crisis on the Korean Peninsula that would "threaten man's very survival". And oh yeah, that's when China sees the US is otherwise occupied and makes a move to take American ally Taiwan.<sup>19</sup>

So here's an update of what's happening. North Korea, - a nuclear power, - has recently deployed a new medium-range missile able to strike the American island of Guam and parts of Australia. At the same time it is preparing to test a longer range missile able to target Alaska and possibly America's west coast.<sup>20</sup> And coincidentally, the US and South Korea will be holding joint war games that include an American aircraft carrier in the middle of March, - at just about the time that the North Korean test launch is expected.<sup>21</sup> Steeped in paranoia, Pyongyang announced that it feared an invasion by South Korea and was "fully ready" for such a war.<sup>22</sup> Now the Pentagon has revealed that China's military modernization has progressed to the point where it has developed an effective triad of nuclear bombers, missiles and modern submarines to counter US forces throughout the globe.<sup>23</sup>

## **JIHAD WATCHING**

We haven't talked about our buddies in the terror group Jamaat ul-Fuqra for awhile now, but the release of a new film by the Christian Action Network gives us an opportunity. Longtime readers may recall that Jamaat is the group with a terror training community in upstate New York. The film, Homegrown Jihad, relies on Justice Department documents to reveal that al-Fuqra "has more than 35 suspected communes and more than 3,000 members spread across" the United States. In those camps, members are taught the use of AK-47s, mortars and explosives; - and how to "kidnap Americans and then kill them". Members have already been involved in murders and bombings on US soil. The group has been under investigation for links to al-Qaeda and its leader, Gilani, has ties to both Hamas and Hezbollah. One FBI agent in the film describes this new phenomenon as a "brand new form of terrorism".<sup>24</sup>

And in Britain...Dutch filmmaker and Parliamentarian, Geert Wilders was banned from entering the UK. His offense? He made a film, - *Fitna*, - that challenged Muslims to denounce the "hate preaching" verses of the Koran; - those verses that called for violent attacks against Jews and others. One theme of the movie is that Islam threatens Western civilization. For this expression of opinion, Wilders will face prosecution for "hate speech" in his own country of the Netherlands.<sup>25</sup> *Shhhhhh! We had better not point out the obvious.*

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## **A REAL NEED**

The ministry is about to expand, but it really needs your help. A radio show, possibly on several stations is anticipated. We will be in need of some dedicated funding, - monthly gifts, - to pull this off. If God so lays it on your heart you can help us with a contribution to Zew's News Review, - [check made payable to 'My Father's House'] - can be sent to:  
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