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SHOWDOWN LOOMING

Ezekiel 38 prophecies a last days invasion of Israel by a coalition of nations – exactly named – and bent on the destruction of God's people. It names Meshech and Tubal and Magog, Gomer, Beth Togarmah and Cush. These align with Put and Cush and Persia. But are these outdated names some flight of fancy by some ancient self-styled prophet? Hardly! When we correlate the names and homelands of these ancient peoples we find that the alliance that is talked about is a coalition of modern Islamic nations built around the power of Turkey and Iran. It's really quite amazing how these line up. Put is Libya, Iran of course was ancient Persia. As for the participation of Turkey; it is represented by Togarmah & Meshech & Tubal.¹ [There is a case that Russia too, will be part of that alliance – but it is a contentious point and beyond the scope of this study.] In any case what the Scriptures are talking about is an alliance of Turkey and Iran – and that's just what we're seeing develop right now.

In fact what we've witnessed in just the last year is quite amazing. Just a couple of years ago, the Turks were strongly Western oriented, members of NATO, allies with Israel. But beginning about the time of the latest hostilities in Gaza, Turkey has begun to steer a different course, becoming more militantly Islamic. It was Turkey that sent the flotilla out to break the Israeli blockade of the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip. At least one analyst argues that Turkish PM Erdogan has “transformed himself into the leader of the Middle East.”² While that's arguable, it is true that Turkey has positioned itself as a key player in the anti-Israel coalition. And right now the Turks and the Iranians are cozying up to challenge the Israeli blockade again – possibly setting up a military confrontation.

Erdogan has already made noises about accompanying blockade runners with Turkish military vessels. Now Iran seems to be getting into the act. First the Revolutionary Guards announced that they were prepared to escort ships to Gaza with their own naval forces.³ Next Iran's Ahmadinejad pledged that Iran would send vessels carrying “volunteer marines” to take on the Israeli blocking forces who will “breach the Gaza blockade” and “teach the Israelis a lesson.” According to DEBKA, Ahmadinejad promised Turkey that Iranian warships and subs would be sent along with aid vessels from the Red Crescent. The Iranian President promised that the coming ‘showdown’ would “change many issues in the world and mark the final countdown for Israel's existence.”⁴ Through it all Israeli PM Netanyahu has promised to remain firm in not allowing uninspected shipments to reach Hamas. The terror group continues to launch attacks against the Israelis. Just this week IDF commandos intercepted and killed four Palestinian frogmen as they left Gaza on their way to an attack.⁵ The attacks never cease. And the world continues to rail against the Jews. Now a confrontation is very possibly on its way. In fact by the time you read this it may have already taken place. No one can say for sure just where this may lead. But a confrontation in the Middle East could easily spin out of control. Even if American managed to keep its assets out of harms way, it would likely drive up the price of oil, dealing a fragile world economy another heavy blow. And we know that the Syrians and Hezbollah in Lebanon are both poised and ready to strike a blow with thousands of missiles and rockets loaded and ready to launch. It would likely take only a few – or perhaps one of those to be tipped with chemical or biological warheads to have Israel follow through on threats that they've already made against the terror capital, Damascus. **“The burden against Damascus. Behold, Damascus will cease from being a city, And it will be a ruinous heap.”** (Isaiah 17:1)

ECONOMICS & REVOLUTION – PART VI

Yes! America has been radicalized. The PTB are working a plan of modulated chaos. And the country is barely recognizable to those over the age of 40 – who are willing to open their eyes. But the truth is darker than that still. There are powers behind powers and puppeteers behind the puppets that run things. And through it all, God is in control. And His will alone will be done and His purposes accomplished.

UNVEILING THE REAL ENEMY

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” (Ephesians 6:12) (KJV)

We've been following the onslaught of the new political ethic. Even in its efforts to enter in quite softly, - it is relentless. Despite occasional centrist rhetoric, the political powers cannot help but celebrate their perceived triumph, mocking tea partiers and constitutionalists of all stripes. But there is something more going on here than just the triumph, (temporary, one hopes), of the 60's Revolution. This is something deeper that has been forming for generations. The next layer up is something called Progressivism. It tries to dress itself in the veneer of a worthy, people-affirming political philosophy, claiming the likes of Woodrow Wilson and FDR and LBJ among its ranks. However, it is little more than a cancer on the body politic promoting ever-larger government and centralized control. After all, who knows best by your Big Daddy government?

Like any political-ideological movement, Progressivism grew from - and into - a mix of sometimes contradictory ideas. Philosophically it found its origins in the writings of Hegel, Marx, and John Stuart Mill, among others. In America it grew out of middle to late 19th century populism that targeted the rich in favor of the producing classes. That Marxist ideal gave it its natural intellectual propulsion. By the early 1900's some of its adherents were openly adopting the more radical views of Eugene Debs and Big Bill Haywood and the anti-capitalist Industrial Workers of the World. The Progressive Labor Party would remain a part of the Communist Party USA all the way until 1961. Politically it expressed itself in a Progressive movement championed by Teddy Roosevelt and most fatefully Woodrow Wilson. It was his administration that gave us the Federal Reserve and the Federal Income Tax. That first wave of Liberal / Progressivism peaked at about the end of World War I. After that, another wave came with FDR's New Deal, yet another with LBJ's Great Society and now Obama's movement. During each of these eras there was a great expansion of government power and involvement, until now when about half the country pays no income tax while the other half receives some kind of government transfer payments. You know, share the wealth stuff. In ancient Rome it was known as 'bread & circuses'.^{6 7 8}

That's what we see today: Another giant wave of expansion of government power and outreach into the lives of citizens. We saw it in the high-handed manner in which the Health Care bill was passed despite polls that consistently showed that a majority of the American public was against the legislation. Then there is the effective takeover of the auto industry, the increasing regulation of the banking and financial services industry, bills in Congress that would put even local farmers and backyard gardeners under the potential control of the federal government, and an energy bill - called Cap and Trade - that is being set up to enrich the likes of Big Players like Goldman Sachs, Fannie Mae, Al Gore's Generation Investment Management, etc – all in the name of saving the planet. As pointed out before – and admitted to by Mr Obama – energy prices will be driven way up, impoverishing average Americans, while filling the pockets of the corporate elite. Even now, the President is using the uncapped oil spill disaster in the Gulf to push his vision of the future. He is arguing for a move away from fossil energy through what he is characterizing as an energy bill. In the meantime, to add to the pressure, he has ordered a moratorium on new offshore drilling for the Gulf of Mexico and Alaska until the end of the year. [This in itself will increase the pressure to raise prices on domestic gas and oil.] This Cap and Trade nonsense is all built around trading carbon credits; basically permits to pollute. A company that needs to pollute more...well they can purchase the ability to do so from a firm that pollutes ...*not so much*. So it was an interesting 'coincidence' when the Joyce Foundation – while

Obama was on the board there – contributed \$1.1 million towards setting up the Chicago Climate Exchange – where all of these carbon credits are to be traded. And the coincidences compounded when the world’s most famous proponent of the doctrine of man-made global warming – Al Gore – managed to strategically place himself and his company in position to reap giant profits from the adventure. Then enters BIG MONEY, through Goldman Sachs and the boys.^{9 10} [*My head is spinning from the serendipity of it all!*] So at its root, this is all a scheme to redistribute wealth, control the middle class, impose a way of life dictated from the know-it-all technocrats from on high, and concentrate power in the hands of the Global Elites. How do I know? It fits the pattern of everything else that is originating from Washington.

The current agenda has been a dream of the PTB for decades now. A blueprint for the agenda was presented all the way back in 1912 by the influential advisor to President Wilson, Colonel Edward Mandel House, with the publication of his book, *Philip Dru: Administrator*. It is the story of its main character who becomes the Dictator of America, instituting a series of Progressive reforms. In the novel, the government is controlled by a cadre of elite bankers who pull the political strings from behind the scenes and serve as the real power in the land. [*Did I say this was a novel....I’m confused now.*] House, its author, served in that very position of behind the scenes advisor...ahem...handler. Through his influence, Wilson was nominated, and the Federal Reserve was established. Now the Fed is composed of and controlled by the wealthy banking families that have the power to create money out of nothing at all and charge interest for the privilege. Over time, the Federal Reserve has been accumulating power and economic control. House was also instrumental in the founding of the Council of Foreign Relations, with many of these same bankers involved, including; John D Rockefeller, JP Morgan, Bernard Baruch, Jacob Schiff and Paul Warburg. Through his connections, House was able to link up with the primary force in European / World banking circles, the family Rothschild. In the book again, Dru weakens the country to the point of civil war, which once fomented opens the door to the introduction of the corporate socialism that both Dru and House espoused.

The Progressives of this era – and our own – believed that they knew...& ... know best for us poor and huddled masses of teeming humanity. They believed in something they dubbed “Technocracy”. It was not only that the “Technocrats” knew better. It was that they could change the way people thought and behaved and would act in the best interest of the global population. They believed that man’s behavior and our very nature could be manipulated simply by manipulating the economic realities. That is nothing less than a Marxian philosophical construct. Now follow this just a moment. Take the energy bill again. The introduction of carbon rationing – which is in effect what it is – will necessarily introduce the notion of the rationing of all of the globe’s natural resources. The UK’s Environmental Secretary David Miliband talked about carbon becoming a ‘new currency.’ And as such it will serve as the economic dictator of our existence. One analyst put it thus. “Carbon Currency will require authoritarian and centralized control over all aspects of life, from cradle to grave.”¹¹ That is exactly what is being set up today. Even such prestigious publications as the New Scientist, the Harvard International Review and the New York Times have run articles favoring this development. In *Toward a single carbon currency*, Judith Hanna proposed setting up “a global quota for fossil fuel combustion every year, and to share it equally between all the adults in the world”.¹² The UK Telegraph picked up the idea in November of 2009, announcing “Everyone in Britain could be given a personal ‘carbon allowance.’”¹³ As Miliband explained, “The government would set limits on the amount of carbon that could be used.”¹⁴ [*How comforting that is!*] Bloomberg, the primarily financial news service, noted in December of 2009 that the banks were right then preparing to market derivative contracts for carbon. But that is not the root of the issue. The purpose of carbon currency is a vehicle to gain further control over the economy through more thorough control of the currency. And it has behind it the backing of the Elites.

Increasing the overall control of the elites and Big Government and the puppeteers that ultimately run it has been at the center of all of the major moves made by this administration – as well as the grand ethic of the whole Progressive Movement. It is reflected in President Obama’s move toward a new “international order that can meet the challenges of our generation.”¹⁵ If the President has his way it will involve new levels of global financial control. Yet ultimately it is the

Big Banks, the international elite that exercise ultimate control – and governments must dance to the tune they play. As Alex Jones puts it, these illuminated elite bankers will be the world’s only lenders, “posing as our saviors” and working a new “Global New Deal.”¹⁶ And as the Bible says so succinctly, **“The borrower is servant to the lenderd.”** (Proverbs 22:7) The lenders in this case being the international bankers with the role of borrower being played by the various national governments. You can see how this must needs play out. Prophecy scholar and economic analyst Wilfred Hahn writes that what we are witnessing is a further gathering of control as “indebted governments play a facilitating role of transferring wealth from the masses to the rich.” That has been the plan all along. Ever since the days of the founding of the Rothschild’s dynasty in the late 18th century or the Round Table of Cecil Rhodes a bit over a hundred years later - it has been the admitted scheme of the PTB. We are watching then the rise of a supra-national corporatism – or international fascism – wherein the bankers hold all the cards. Prophetically this is the foundation for the very temporary – yet bloody – triumph of the world system under the coming Antichrist. Hahn refers to it as “A Calculated Conspiracy Against God.” He explains, “We live in an era of global convergence of values. The world has agreed to endorse humanist materialism.” That triumph will cost the souls of the many millions of its adherents.¹⁷ That is the world system that has set itself up in opposition to the God of the universe. It operates now – as it has from the beginning – and will come to fruition in the day when the Antichrist rules and becomes the apotheosis of those global values. In that day, the Scripture tells us, he will be revealed, **“the son of perdition, who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.”** (2Thessalonians 2:3-4) The current world situation is playing toward this grand crescendo! In her book *Treason*, Ann Coulter, leans on and expands the words of an ex-communist, veteran of the Cold War and informer on Red infiltration of the American government, Whitaker Chambers, - to frame the struggle. Chambers wrote that the great struggle is to see “whether all mankind is to become Communist, whether the whole world is to become free, or whether, in the struggle, civilization as we know it is to be completely destroyed.” Coulter goes on to adopt his framing as a death struggle between God and Communism – “the two great faiths of our time.” She points out that it is a contest that dates back to the Garden when Satan tempted man the promise of **“Ye shall be as gods.”** (Genesis 3:5) (KJV) We are all called to make that choice; God or Man. In Coulter’s words: “Liberals chose Man. Conservatives chose God.”^{18 19}

So there you have it. There is on the one hand a struggle that is physical in nature. That is what is behind the plan on the part of the PTB to accumulate increasing power – raising up the government – (both national and international) – at the expense of the individual. On the other hand there is a spiritual battle for the soul. [Thus Scripture points out that the final world empire of Antichrist will be a combination political / economic / religious empire. Revelation 17:12-14 lays out where this is all headed. **“The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. These will make war with the Lamb.”** There is a New World Order on its way and we are fast taking the steps to take us there. On one level it will all seem so natural. In any case, it is inevitable. Here are the words of James Paul Warburg, a member of one of the international banking families, spoken to the US Senate in September of 1950. “We shall have World Government, whether or not we like it. The only question is whether World Government will be achieved by conquest or consent.”²⁰

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