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## Has the Daniel 8 War with Iran Begun?

Dear Friends,

Eight years ago I began teaching about a coming war between the United States and Iran that the angel Gabriel told Daniel would occur at *"the time of the end" Dan* 8:17, meaning the end of time in Hebrew or "L'et Kets". I believe that we are seeing this war prophesied by Daniel unfold right now. Read on and see.

The prophet Daniel wrote some 2500 years ago of a great end-time war between Iran and a Western power. First

you must understand that most prophecies have duel or even triple fulfillments in the scriptures. Traditional theologians believe Daniel 8 is speaking of Alexander the Great and His powerful army which conquered Medo-Persia's army led by Darius the III. I believe that a deeper look into the prophecy will show that although it foreshadowed Alexander, it also foreshadows the days we are living in right now! This begs the question; are we at war with Iran now?

#### **Duel fulfillment explained:**

Isaiah 7:14 is an example of a duel fulfillment of prophecy; it speaks of a virgin or a young maiden (same as virgin) giving birth to a son with no mention of a man involved. The miraculous virgin birth of Isaiah 7:14 was not that of the Messiah, but for a sign to king Ahaz that God would deliver him and Jerusalem from his enemies. God fulfilled that promise, but more magnificently the prophecy is the only prophecy of the virgin birth in the entire Tanaach (Old Testament). Thus Isaiah 7:14 had a duel fulfillment. Another example is of a duel / triple fulfillment in Moses' Passover Lamb (See Exodus 12), and Yeshua our Passover Lamb (See 1 Corinthians 5:6-7, Luke 22). The Last Supper was a Passover Seder Meal and Yeshua was crucified on Passover. Yeshua alluded to another Passover in the coming Kingdom of God when He said, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will never eat it again until it is fulfilled in the Kingdom of God," Luke 22:15-16. Apparently we shall still be celebrating Passover in the Kingdom of God; I believe it will be the Mar-



riage Supper of the Lamb, the Passover Lamb! So it's not difficult to see that Daniel 8 may very well be speaking of the time we are living in. Daniel 8 describes a Western army that crosses the earth "without touching the ground" Dan 8:5. Now Daniel's vision speaks of this Western (Greek) army as a male goat with a conspicuous horn between his eyes, vs. 5. The vision from God refers to Medo-Persia as a two horned ram charging toward the North, West and South. What on earth is this talking about you might ask. In Biblical prophesy, animals represent nations, and horns

> represent their leader and military power. Practically speaking, the USA is the only Western nation who has power to destroy Iran and to do it without touching the ground. More importantly the USA is the only Western nation with the ability and the motive to go to war with Iran. U.S. forces in Iraq and Syria have been attacked 28 times by Iranian allies as of the time of this writing. Only the U.S. has the capability to destroy Iran's nuclear weapons, facilities, military and government with conventional weapons. Obviously, neither China nor Russia would fight their ally Iran.

and the meaning of the horns.

Revelation 17:12-13 says, "The Ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have not yet received royal power, but receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. These kings are of one mind, and they give their power and authority to *the beast.*" The horns represent kings in Daniel's time, but in our time, the horns relate to presidents, prime ministers or religious-political leaders. Horns are used by animals such as antelope, goat, rams and rhinos etc.. as weapons to defend or to attack; therefore, prophetically a horn represents a world leader and the horns also represent his military power and government. The two horns of the Medo-Persian ram also indicates that the prophecy is about a conflict between the modern U.S. and Iran. Why? Because when Alexander fought Darius III, Darius was the sole leader or horn of Medo -Persia. Today, the region of Medo-Persia is ruled by two powerful leaders; the little horn over (Iraq/Syria/Lebanon) was Oasem Soleimani the Iranian general who killed hundreds and wounded thousands of American soldiers during the Iraq war including the 250 U.S. Marines blown up in

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Lebanon in 1982. He has since been replaced by a lesser known guy (smaller horn). The big horn is the Ayatollah, the religious and supreme leader of Iran. So we can see that Alexander the Great and Darius do not fulfill the entire prophecy of Daniel 8.

#### Who will be elected Goat?

According to Daniel 8, the Goat will be the great ruler from the West, seemingly either Biden or Trump. Biden's weakness might actually be what forces us into war with Iran whereas when Trump was president, Iran

didn't dare mess with us. The problem is Iran doesn't fear Biden, neither does Russia, China or North Korea. In fact, recently China hosted leaders from 130 nations as part of their effort to knock off the USA as the leading nation in the world. Putin was the guest of honor. This week Putin hosted Iranian leaders and Hamas leaders in Moscow. Biden's words never threaten Iran ex-



cept to say "Don't" ... Don't what ? Apparently the Iranians are not scared, which may actually draw us into a war with Iran that neither Biden nor his government want. Biden has wanted to reinstate nuclear peace accords originally made by Obama. Trump ended that process, froze Iran's billions of dollars, and blocked them from selling oil and making billions in profits; then Biden unfroze Iran's billions in Swiss bank accounts and allowed them to produce and sell oil including to us. We have bought hundreds of millions in oil from Iran since. As of this writing the USA has been attacked more than 100 times in the last year and 24 times in the last 10 days by rockets from Iran or it's proxies such Hezbollah. The Yemenite Hooties launched Iranian drones and rockets at a U.S. destroyer sailing in the Red Sea toward Southern Israel. The USS Carney shot down several drones and rockets fired on it by Yemen, a proxy of Iran, about a week ago. If Iran attacks us enough, Biden will be forced to retaliate strongly, and has already gone to congress for permission to use our military against Iran and their proxies. I never would have dreamed that Biden might actually be the Goat who destroys the Ram of Iran in Daniel 8, however things are shaping up to look just that way (read Daniel 8:8). Whether its Biden or Trump, America's days are numbered. According to Daniel, soon after this explosive clash of the West versus the Islamic world led by Iran, the United States will somehow be broken up into four weaker nations. Will it be because of civil war? Will it be because of internal attack from activated Islamic cell groups due to millions of illegal immigrants Biden allowed into the U.S.? OR will we be attacked by an outside nation such as China who is an ally of Iran? The only sure thing is that if the Goat is the USA, and the Goat-Ram war is now, America's time is very short. The dollar and the economy will crash, and many will suffer and die.

Anti-Semitism is exploding in the USA, especially on college campuses. Our nation is becoming inflamed with the lies of our enemies. Peace cannot be kept with these kind of conditions, and the set up for this prophetic event is playing out now. The foundations of our nation are being shaken by division between progressives and conservatives who don't see eye to eye on anything. The coming exodus of the Jewish people back to Israel that I have been teaching on for 23 years is beginning to materialize, as anti Semitism explodes, especially among the younger population. I have always said that life in America would

have to become dangerous and unappealing in order to entice people back to Israel... where taxes are exorbitant, life in general is hard and war is always eminent. I have written on the Second Exodus extensively in other articles.

It is very important that we stand with Israel now, because the time will come when all will be forced to take sides either with the Beast or the God of Israel. The attack on Israel is a direct attack on the God of Israel because Israel is the eternal dwelling place of the Messiah when He returns (Zech 8, Ezekiel 43:7) and

the location of the Throne of David where Yeshua will rule and reign for 1000 years.

Please explain to me how Israel is committing genocide in Gaza when Prime Minister Ariel Sharon gave Gaza to the Palestinians in 2005 asking nothing in return. What did Israel get in return? Not peace, but rather rockets and more rockets. Dawn and I visited several Israeli towns in Gaza by armored bus back in 2003 and I have been to the border numerous times since then. We were rocketed while on a



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bus.. fortunately they missed. I say to people to who have never visited Southern Israel, or expe-



rienced daily rocket attacks by

the Palestinians simply for being Jewish, there is no credibility when you accuse Israel of genocide. This reasoning is ridiculous. Hamas hides behind women and children and has their headquarters under the largest hospital in Gaza. 1400 Israelis were sleeping or just waking up on a peaceful Shabbat morning on October 7th when 1200 plus Hamas monsters overwhelmed the border of Israel, armed to the teeth and riding motor cycles, flooding into Israeli border towns and a music festival. They rushed in with intention to slaughter civilians, including babies, children and families; raping women, butchering, and burning so many that makeshift Israeli morgues are still trying to





identify hundreds of bodies that are so charred they fall apart. The whole horrible terror escapade totaled roughly 1400 dead. This does not include the over 240 hostages taken back into Gaza which included small children and babies (without their parents) and elderly. This is not genocide of Palestinians, rather it is the bloodiest murder of Jews in one day since the Holo-

caust. I ask you what country wouldn't go to war against a neighbor like that. As to charges of genocide against Israel; Israel gave Gaza 3 weeks warning to leave in advance, sending text messages and leaflets. Don't believe the lies of Hamas. Don't believe the lies of Iran. This is not to say that Palestinians will not suffer or die in this war that they have brought on themselves. That is why they call it war. In fact the Palestinians voted Hamas into power in 2006. Hamas launched tens of thousands of rockets and mortars into southern Israel killing many Israelis, instigating the last war in 2014 with Gaza. Israel warned the people to leave Gaza City and gave them 3 weeks to do it, where is the genocide? I tell you, protesters against Israel, people who think they are righteously defending "innocent" Palestinians should live for two weeks on the Israeli Gaza border, or go up to the northern border of Israel where they might get killed by Hezbollah. They should stop supporting terrorists .

#### <u>Aliyah is Coming</u>

We have only one home promised by God to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and to the prophets. Read Zeph 2. Jews call this return "Aliyah". Most American Jews want to stay in the USA, but they will certainly need to leave if America becomes like Nazi Germany. Eventually the whole world will turn on Israel and the Jewish people. The coming Great Exodus and return of the Jews to Israel is the prophetic event on God's calendar that will bring Yeshua/Jesus back (Read Zechariah 12, 14). When Yeshua comes back, He comes to save Israel, His inheritance. I have been teaching Aliyah for 24 years, and it is of great importance that you make a choice friends. Will you choose the wide gate that leads to damnation or will you choose the narrow gate that leads to eternal life? "*Enter through the narrow gate for* Continued... page 4



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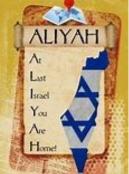
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wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. Matthew 7:13. It is important that you don't follow the mob. In modern times there has never been a time where standing with the Jewish people is more urgent than it is right now. Silence is not support. Before the Holocaust, Germany was one of the largest evangelical Christian countries in the world, yet the majority of German Christians stood by silent as their Jewish neighbors were dragged off to their deaths by the Nazis. Many people say they love Israel, yet it is actions, not words that matter. We at *For Zion's Sake Ministries* raise hundreds of thousands of dollars of aid for Israel every year through the Joseph Project in Israel. The Joseph project is the largest Messianic Jewish humanitarian aid ministry in Israel, and is our ministry partner in the land . We wish to thank those who stand with us bringing tangible aid and comfort as well as essentials of life to the people of Israel every ry day. Thank you for supporting your local connection to Israel. and pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Psalm 122:6

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