

The Zion Letter

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The Decree

On March 3, 2015, the eve of the Biblical Feast of Purim as chronicled in the Book of Esther, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu came to the United States to address Congress and plead for the lives of the Jewish people and the State of Israel. Just like Netanyahu, Mordechai the Jew approached Queen Esther pleading with her to act on behalf of the lives of their fellow Jewish people. It is of further interest and prophetic note that the Persia of antiquity where

this great story played out between Esther, Mordechai, Haman, and the King, is the very same nation known as modern day Iran. Isn't it ironic that once again the Persians are plotting to destroy Israel and the Jews? In the story of Esther, the King of Persia had been persuaded by the evil Haman to make a decree calling for the destruction

of the Jews to take place eleven months later on Adar 13 (the 13th day of the 12th month on the Biblical calendar), which corresponds to March 4-5 on our modern calendar this year. When Mordechai learned of the plot, he contacted his adopted daughter, Queen Esther, to seek her help in saving the Jewish people. Circumstances miraculously worked out to where the evil plot was revealed to the King through Esther's brave actions, bringing wicked Haman to the gallows. The King then made a **new decree** proclaiming that the 13th day of Adar, eleven months later, (the very day Haman's destruction decree was to be enforced), the Jews would be allowed to fight back and destroy all their enemies!

Is it a coincidence that some 2500 years later, Prime Minister Netanyahu would make a special trip to America, just like Mordechai's trip to the palace to

speak with Esther, making virtually the same speech to the American people asking for help to save Israel... or is it a God-incident?

Then on April 2, 2015 (the day before Passover) it was announced that the Obama administration had made a preliminary deal with the Iranians to stop the economic sanctions against Iran with the "assurance" of the Iranians that they would not enrich weapons

grade uranium. Of course, Iran would be expected to comply with all of these demands strictly on the "honor system", with no inspectors allowed by Iran to spot check their nuclear enrichment facilities. I doubt President Obama knew that he was making his preliminary deal with Iran on the eve of Passover, the Holiday commemorating when God deliv-

ered the Jewish people from slavery and bondage to Pharaoh, and also the day when Yeshua (Jesus Christ) delivered all who would believe in Him from slavery and bondage to sin through His death on the Cross. The first day of Passover falls on Nis-

san 14, the 14th day of the first month on the Biblical calendar (April 4th this year). Amazingly, Esther 3:12 records Nissan 13 (the day before Passover) as the exact day that the decree to destroy the Jews was made. The exact historical day of Haman's decree to destroy the Jews is virtually the same day that the Obama administration made the "bad deal" with Iran that guarantees to put Israel's existence in jeopardy. Coincidence or God-Incident? You be the judge. I encourage you to read the Book of Esther and see for yourself!



Conclusion:

In Daniel chapter 2, the King of Babylon had a dream of a statue made of gold, silver, bronze, iron and clay. Daniel interpreted the statue to represent the empires of Babylon (the Gold head), Persia (the silver breast and arms), Greece (the belly and thighs of bronze),



and finally Rome (the legs of Iron and feet partly of clay and iron). Daniel told the King that all these empires would be destroyed com-

pletely by a stone that would strike the statue, the stone which the builders rejected (See Psalm 118:22), the Messiah Jesus!

Dear Mr. Obama, you can't make deals with the devil and win. Iran has never repented for taking our embassy captive in 1979, sponsoring terrorism, sending troops to kill U.S. soldiers by the hundreds in Iraq during the Iraq war, and calling for the destruction of the United States while negotiating with our diplomats in Switzerland for "peace." No Mr. Obama, Iran hasn't changed any more than a Zebra can change its stripes.

The Bible exhorts and teaches repeatedly about the repercussions for cursing Israel. Moreover, the lessons of history testify of God's clear directive concerning Israel. Any nation that attempts to destroy the Jews will themselves be destroyed, just like Nazi Germany and all the other anti-Israel nations of the world throughout history. Take note that the Jews are still alive and well, established in their ancient homeland with one of the most powerful militaries on earth. Don't worry Mr. Netanyahu. God will not permit the Jewish people or nation to perish. If God intended for the Jews to perish, surely the Assyrians, the Babylonians, the Persians, the Romans, or the Nazis would have succeeded by now.

Mr. Netanyahu, I believe God was speaking through you when you recently pleaded with the Jewish people to come home to the land they pray towards, the land of Israel. You are so correct. We have no future in Europe, Russia, or anywhere else in the world. Our future and inheritance now is in Israel as the Messiah prepares to return. One day soon it will be time for the Jewish people to return from the Americas bringing many Christians with them in fulfillment of hun-

dreds of Biblical prophecies. In the end, God always prevails and His plans trump the plans of men in all things, including the plans men contrive to control the destiny of Israel

Passover – Ministry Update

Shalom friends,

We had a fantastically successful Passover Seder banquet on the first day of Passover (Saturday April 4th) at the Holiday Inn, Bristol VA. There were some 300 people in attendance, and no one who wanted to come was turned down. Many thanks to Dawn Bell for putting together such a wonderful program and Kelly Reynolds,



her and the team's creativity and hard work in presenting a meaningful worship experience!
Also a big thanks to all our volunteers

who worked tirelessly to make it a special evening for everyone. Even the food was better than I remembered... and seconds were available, so nobody went away hungry!

Many of you may be wanting to know how much we raised for "The Joseph Project" humanitarian aid charity in Israel that night. The total was over \$20,800! I feel that is a generous and heartfelt gift to bless the neediest of God's Chosen people in Israel, as well as needy Israeli

Arabs and \$10,000 container aid to Israel bringing hundreds of Christians! will ship one of humanitarian

thousands of dollars' worth of aid to a growing situation of need! Did you know that the

people of The Mountain Empire have given more to Messianic charities like the Joseph Project and Operation Tikvah (helping Ethiopian Jews) than any other region of the United States? In fact, it was a generous couple from this area that gave funds to build the new "Joseph Project" warehouse and National Headquarters near Jerusalem just a year ago!

How timely is the rise of humanitarian aid to Israel with an expected sharp increase in French Jewish immigrants to Israel this year? In 2013, only 3,500 Jews made Aliyah (return) to Israel from France; but by the end of 2015, 10,000 French Jews are expected to arrive in Israel due to increased anti-Semitism. Also this past year more than 50,000 Ukrainian Jews left Ukraine for Israel with little more than the shirts on their backs. FACT: Jews are leaving Europe and going home to Israel in big numbers. Friends, the Israeli government is not prepared to take in and care for the needs of the large amount of Jewish immigrants coming their way! That is why God is raising up humanitarian aid centers in Israel, the largest of which is "The Joseph project", having 40 storefront outlets throughout Israel and two national distribution centers (one in the South and one near Jerusalem), all run by Jewish believers. "The Joseph Project" has distributed over \$100,000,000 in humanitarian aid over the past fifteen years, which seems like a huge accomplishment. Nevertheless, the current provisions are still not enough to meet the need of the rising tide of immigrants.

Thank you for praying and supporting For Zion's Sake Ministries. Without friends like you we couldn't continue to deliver this message of truth and love, and we couldn't send the blessing of much needed aid to Israel.

In Yeshua's love, Joe and Dawn Bell

Letters To The Rabbi

Dear Rabbi.

I sent your Blood Red Moon newsletter to people in prison all over the country, and several have written me back testall over the country, and several their lives to the Lord as tifying that they have rededicated their lives to the Lord as a result. Thank you for your message of scriptural truth and love.

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We praise God that we are seeing many families lives restored as a result of our ministry. For Zion's Sake Ministries, is making a difference in people's lives in our commutatives, is making a difference in people.



Dear Joe and Dawn,

A friend of mine and I attended your wonderful Passover Seder Saturday night, and wanted to tell you how much we enjoyed it and to thank you for your wonderful ministry. We appreciate the amount of effort and resources it takes to put on such a production and you always do such a wonderful job in everything we have ever attended of yours.

I have been ill for the past few years with a condition called Grave's disease, which is why I have not seen much of you! I am feeling much better now and was so glad to be able to attend your Seder.

I am sending you my last 4 television programs. Thank you Dawn, for your beautiful singing voice which you have graced my programs with.

God Bless You Both and keep up the good work!

Susan Turcotte "The Voice of Rejoicing" TV Program

