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Looking Through Windows of Prophecy, Part 3



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CONTINUING ON WITH OUR LOOK THROUGH THESE WINDOWS OF PROPHECY, WE

HAVE SOME OTHER PROPHECIES TO LOOK AT; SO LET US GIVE OUR ATTENTION TO WHAT THE SPIRIT OF GOD HAS ALLOWED US TO SEE HERE AT THE END OF THE AGE.

LOOKING AT A BIBLE PICTURE

In Ezekiel 38:9, it says, (speaking of Gog, or Russia) "Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee." When will that take place? When Israel is finally dwelling safely in their unwallled villages. When God turns Israel loose to fulfill Numbers 24, Zephaniah 2:8-11 and Jeremiah 48:47, it will not take Israel six months to make that giant military sweep. She

will sweep across this land in question. I have to believe, when God moves upon her to do so, she will probably not stop until she has gone completely to the Euphrates. That takes you right back to Genesis, where God promised Abraham that this would be one of their borders. Not that the Jews will want to destroy the Iraqi people, but they will certainly want to destroy that spirit that has been leading them, and teach them a lesson. They are not going to destroy the Ammonite people, nor the Moabite people, nor the Edomites. They are just going to destroy their ability to be a little nation within themselves to create trouble. When God uses Israel to take that Islamic religion away from them, they are going to stop that Allah chant and start praying to Jehovah, just as the Jew do. That is how you have to see this thing. Israel, by that military sweep, will have stretched her borders right exactly where God wants them. When those Arabs get over the shock and psychological effect this will have on them, I cannot help but believe that the News Media in the west will begin to interview Sheik This and Sheik That, King This and King That, and report to the world that a strange thing has happened. I can just hear them now: What is your opinion about what has just happened? If we look at it right, they are going to say, God is with the Jews. We now believe the promise of God to Abraham was to come through Isaac, not Ishmael. If we can see these prophecies in the right light,

we will have to come to the conclusion that as God uses Israel in a war that surely must be close at hand, and they do valiantly on the field of battle, and the outcome is that she again presses her borders to the limits set by the Creator so very long ago, her closest enemies will be put to rest. Not necessarily to sleep in the grave: though I am sure many of them will end up that way; but surely the fight will have been taken out of them. They will have a new outlook toward the Jews after that. They can then begin to sympathetically align their hearts and their attitudes toward the Israeli cause. I am going to show you something in the scriptures again at this time, that will enable you to see what I am looking at. To this point in time, all of those little Israeli settlements are behind chain link fences with gates; but I want to read something to you from Ezekiel 36. This is the chapter that brings out how God will restore them according to their former estates. However what I want you to notice is that in the process of restoring them, here is a picture that brings out how we have viewed Israel through the years coming up to this point. We are starting in verse 34, "And the desolate land shall be tilled, (I have lived to see that take place.) whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by." The plains of Megiddo, in the valley of Jezreel, for centuries, was a wilderness, then a swamp. Crocodile were found there. However after the turn of the century, after the Jews

began to go back there, they brought the Eucalyptus tree from Australia, and as they purchased certain areas within this wasteland they set out the Eucalyptus trees and their roots broke the hard crust, causing the swamp to disappear. There are no crocodile out there now. Rice, wheat, barley, oats, cotton and all such like are growing in that same region today. (35) "And they shall say, This land that was desolate has become like the Garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced, and are inhabited." Why were they fenced? Because they have had an enemy for forty some years that had to be kept out. Those fences were not installed there to keep stray cows out of town. They were to keep the guerrillas out of town. In many places they had certain areas mined, in the perimeter around town. Anyhow chapter 36 has been in focus these past number of years. We have seen their fenced cities. You do not put up a fence without a gate; but the gates were guarded. Those immigrant Jews had to do it that way in order to hold on to what little they had: believing that somehow in the future, God would make a way possible for the picture to change. That is why I emphasize these prophecies and what I see coming: I have seen these fences. I have seen the gates on them. Row after row of new huts sat behind them, where immigrant families had moved in. In the Jordanian Valley, leaving Jericho going north toward the Sea of Galilee,

you pass some of these new settlements right in the desert, where they bulldozed everything away. There were those chain link fences that looked to be nine feet tall, with gates. When night comes those gates are well guarded with armed guards. The purpose of it is to keep out those guerrilla bands that want to come along and harass the Jewish settlers. God allowed it to be like that for a while; but it will not always be like that. When God does this for them, and I am persuaded that it will be very soon, that is why He will use Israel: He is absolutely going to get to the head of this whole thing. He is going to get the heads of these Arab people who constantly want to harass them and are so antagonistic toward the very mention of a Jew. When God uses Israel, through that military sweep, He is going to do it in a way that those Arabs cannot help but realize that Allah cannot help them. It is Jehovah with the Jews. When that happens, then you can easily see what that does for all those walled villages. It makes them safe. When my people, Israel, dwell safely, that is when the word of God says Gog will make his move against them. This certainly lets us know for sure that Ezekiel 38 and 39 could not possibly be fulfilled until after some of these other prophecies have been fulfilled to open up the way for it. As we move through these scriptures, we can see that somewhere in the very near future it will no longer be the Arab people making trouble for

the people of Israel. They will be at peace with Israel. When that comes to pass Israel can take the fences down. Notice the language of Ezekiel 38:10 "Thus saith the Lord God; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwallled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates." Why do more people not ask when they read these scriptures, Where did all those fences go? It is not that way now. Every last one of those villages that have those fences, have bars and gates. It has to be like that to keep their enemies out. It is not intruders from Iran, nor Libya, nor Ethiopia, nor any others but those Arabs that live right next door. Well that is why God will use Israel in such a way as to display His own power in such a miraculous fashion. Let us go back a few thousand years: to the time when spies were sent to check out the land the Jews were heading for and they came into Jericho and met the harlot by the name of Rahab. When they got introduced to her and she began to tell the story, what did she tell those spies? We heard of your people, what your God did when He brought you across the Red Sea. You every one know what she told those spies? She said, At that time our hearts did melt within us. (In other words, We were scared half to death.) They had every reason to be. Well

Micah 7 plainly says as it was with him in the days when I brought him out of Egypt, so again will I show unto him great and marvelous things. Inasmuch that the heathen round about will come crawling out of their holes, confounded at all their might, at their infrared sights, heat sensors, and all that stuff. As I said in Norway, we not only have all of that, Israel has it too. We sold them some of our technology. Just look at what our men can do: then put a Jew in that same plane and you will really see something. I have to remind you what you have heard many times before, Little is much if God be in it. He will take one Jew and one airplane and drive the whole Iraqi Air Force out of the vicinity. You say, You talk crazy, Bro. Jackson. Oh no: I am just waiting for the hour that I can see some of these things falling into place. I will jump up and down with Joy, saying, Did I not say so? That is the way the whole thing lines up: when I look at the picture the Bible portrays. It did not look like this 15 or 20 years ago. It is just simply a fact, that as we get closer to a prophesied event, we begin to see more clearly how to look at it. Yes saints, notice how He emphasizes this, I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely. Two passages of scripture show it. (Ezekiel 38:8) "After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste:

but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them." This would be, when my people Israel dwell safely. In this verse, it is in connection with the invasion of the enemy that it says, When His people dwell safely. That means their borders have been pushed out to their ancient boundaries and everything is in place. Then we notice in verse 12, it is the invading force under the leadership of this Muscovite, the Magog people, that it is referring to. Here is what they say, "To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places {that are now} inhabited, and upon the people {that are} gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land." By that time we can say this, Jerusalem is in the process of being renovated and her future inhabitants, Jews, are now moving in to possess their dwellings. That is why you read chapter 49 of Isaiah along with this. There is no doubt that Israel will make this sweep to set the stage for Jerusalem to be renovated and made ready for the Messiah, which will come over here at the end of the week. We realize the temple is going to be built somewhere in the preceding months leading into this period of time; and as we have pointed out, The Jews will have help building that temple that people not too many years ago would have said would be an impossibility. That just goes to show how God can turn things around when His time comes for it to happen.

WHAT THE PROPHETS HAVE WRITTEN ABOUT ISRAEL IN OUR DAY

The whole picture in the Middle East is going to change very quickly as Israel begins to make the moves these prophecies foretell; so do not be surprised if you turn on the News some morning and Israel is on the move. With this in mind, we have to realize these other Islamic nations are absolutely going to become infuriated when they begin to watch the progress and development of things and see how the Jews are renovating that city. They will be even more infuriated when they observe the fact that the Jews are dwelling safely in their land. Israel can say with a sigh of relief, The Arabs are no longer our enemies, out to harass us, and their guerrillas trying to infiltrate our ranks at night. They are finally allowing us to dwell in peace. You have to understand it took that war under Numbers, to rid all that Saudi Arabia area of that religious anti Jewish feeling, and to convert the heart of that Arab so that when you get to Isaiah 60, which goes with Isaiah 49, here they come with gold and incense, with the wealth of the people of Arabia, to offer upon His altar of sacrifice. (Isaiah 60:1-11) "Arise shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. (2)

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee. (3) And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. (4) Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. (5) Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. (6) The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord. (7) All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory. (8) Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? (9) Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee. (10) And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee. Therefore thy gates

shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought." I just have to say, Only God Himself can cause it to be done like that. My critics will probably say, Well it will sure take a miracle to bring about such a thing. Sure it will; but what do you think happened to the Russian Empire 3 1/2 or so years ago? Was that not a miracle? There is no need for anyone to think Reagan and the pope of Rome accomplished all of that without God having a hand in it. They may have been key instruments in bringing about what happened; but you never would have seen a thing like that take place unless God had first said, The time is right. Have you ever stopped to think of all the people who lost their lives for that monster to grow and become what it was, and then think how quickly the monster was brought down: simply with a stroke of the hand of God? This ought to tell the world that this old world system is in for a shaking like never before. What it took empires years to build, God can bring to naught in a day's time. Yes saints, verse 12 of the 38th chapter of Ezekiel, lets us see how the enemy says, We have come to take a spoil, we have come to take a prey, we have come to do this and that. But look at verse 13: who is doing the talking. Saudi Arabia would not say anything like that today. (That is who Sheba and Dedan are.) If old mad man Hussein of Iraq, three years ago, instead of going into

Kuwait, would have crossed Jordan into Israel, Saudi Arabia would not have said one thing about it. Listen to me. They would not have said a thing, because their sentiment is for the Islamic cause. They probably would have said, Onward Hussein! As it was though, the minute Hussein got his eyes on Kuwait, Saudi Arabia got scared and began looking for help. They were glad to let our Bible totting soldiers, whom they looked upon as a bunch of infidels, come to their rescue. Of course it is true to a great degree: our society has become corrupt and more like people who hate God; but I want you to know this, The mere fact that they make their women wear their dresses long and cover their faces does not make them holy. That long nosed bunch of characters will sit in a beer joint watching belly dancers until three in the morning, then go home to their wives still feeling like they are something special. They will not let their women be seen in public unless she is wearing a veil over her face. That is social hypocrisy: just pretending to be moral when all evidence speaks otherwise. I had to say it that way based upon my own observation. When God gets through using Israel to open their eyes, I have to believe Saudi Arabia will see a lot of things they have not seen for a long time. The veil will be lifted from their mind's so they can begin to see and understand a few things they have been ignorant to. Anyhow here is what verse 13 says, "Sheba and Dedan, and the

merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?" I have said all of that to show you, from three years ago when they had to scream for help themselves, you do not find this verse portraying them as being against Israel when the enemy is coming toward them, like they might have been in prior times. Instead they are heard saying, What have you come to do? They are the first ones that speak out, What have you come to do? Sheba and Dedan, (Look where they are on the map) and the merchants of Tarshish, (the area representing old Spain) are asking that question. Some of you may not realize what people the merchants of Tarshish represent; but in ancient Biblical times when Israel was a major nation in the Middle East and traded with certain Gentile people on the coast of Spain, those people there, were of the first foreign tradesmen, craftsmen that traded certain produce with the Israelis. They had a life style that many Jews took a liking to. This is why when Jonah went down to the sea fleeing from the presence of the Lord, he was determined to go to Tarshish. He went down to the old ancient seaport called Joppa and bought a ticket for a boat trip. To go where? To Tarshish. That lets you know which way Ninevah was from there: for he went the opposite way from what the

Lord had told him to go. My point is, This could not have happened before: that those of Tarshish would be for Israel. When you look at the lineup of western Europe today, the ten major nations are all back in combined unity. This should tell us that somewhere deep in the old sentimental background of Spain a spark is rekindled; because for centuries Jews lived in the old ancient capital of Madrid. There is a section there, one third of the old city, it was called the Jewish section. Then when the Moslems were there, they had their section. The rest of the city was Catholic. All three lived side by side until the time of the Spanish Inquisition. Then the Catholics were hard on the Jews. The very year Columbus discovered the new world, that was the year the rulers of Spain and the leaders and people of southern France and Spain got together and drove the Moors out. That is when the Jews were driven out. I said all that to give you a little background of Tarshish. Just keep in mind, it was called Tarshish at that time. A lot of these other nations called Portugal, France, and so forth were barbarians; but they were not tradesmen with Israel. How many realize that is why it addressed these in the forefront of this statement? Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof speaks specifically. When you and I look at western Europe, we see it in a much different way; because all these other

nations you and I have known in our history and study, we realize they came about, got their identity after the breakup of the old Roman Empire. Keep in mind though, the prophet was not looking at Spain as having been a part of the Roman Empire. He was looking at this country way before the Roman Empire ever came into existence; and he was speaking from that standpoint. That is why it is Sheba and Dedan, these Arabs in Saudi Arabia, who take the initiative to question such an approach by such an invading force, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil? (Ezekiel 38:14) "Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, (This goes back to the leader.) Thus saith the Lord God; In that day (here we come) when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, (God puts emphasis on it. She has secure borders. She is at peace with her Arab half brothers. They are at peace with Israel.) shalt thou not know it? And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, (horsepower) a great company, and a mighty army: And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; (a cloud, twice it speaks like this) it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their

eyes." God has a way of bestowing His power and His presence. When we think of Russia, for the past number of years she has been the great producer of scientific philosophers of atheism. She has taught her young people that there is no God. Yet as she denied her young people the knowledge of God, many of them went off after astronomy and all that kind of things. I will never forget last year in Russia, person after person, as they came in the prayer line, would say, Please pray for me. Through the interpreter they would say, We have not been free to study religion; but we have been free to study other things. I heard this, I got caught up in astronomy; and now I see demons in my house: I am scared to go to bed. I thought to myself, When you take away from people the privilege of studying the right thing, the devil will always give them the wrong thing. Here they are in torment: captured by one thing or another. Person after person, alcoholic after alcoholic: much of it attributed to them being denied the privilege of seeking God for fellowship and help. Saints I hope you can see why this chapter is written like it is. It has a picture in it. It tells you precisely when to look toward the seventieth week of Daniel; because it is definitely going to be the last war that will be fought just before that week of Daniel starts. There is no doubt that as that war is fought, western nations will stand ready; because when you read in there, "And it shall come to pass I will call for a

sword out of all my mountains," That means nations that somehow or other have honored God, (For He said) "I will rain upon him a great rain, fire and brimstone." from Spain to France, to England, to Ireland, Belgium, Germany, Holland, I can see rockets in their launching pads, ready. God says, "And I will plead with him, with pestilence and with fire." Every kind of disaster. God is going to teach that mass of people one last lesson: that there is a God is the universe. I could sense in talking among a lot of those people, that even though for the past eighty years they built their universities to educate their people in science, physics, and all such like, when they left God out of the picture it made all of that very vain. They have tried to ignore the very ONE that holds this great universe together. God is going to teach those responsible ones a lesson though; and He will still get His remnant out of Russia to fulfill the scriptures. He is going to show them the greatest text book the human race has ever known: this book we call THE BIBLE. I am glad it is a book that can talk to you. It has been written in a way that it can talk to people; and at times when people are to see certain things it can present a very vivid picture. Yes there will be saints from every nation under heaven. God has His way of bringing to pass all that His prophets through the ages have written.

A NEW WORLD ORDER OR
AN OLD WORLD ORDER
REVIVED

In the light of a lot of things that have been discussed in the political realm in the past two and a half years since the Gulf War, I want to make a few comments before continuing on in Ezekiel 38 and 39. I know that when the Gulf War was going on there was a lot of talk about a New World Order. It made preachers go absolutely wild: Here comes the beast. Now, after so much time has passed you do not hear much about the New World Order. Let us just take a look at the United Nations as it exists today. That is as close as you can get to a New World Order. That thing has been in existence since 1948; but tell me, What good has it been? It has not done one earthly bit of good that I can see. Yet our own nation has contributed billions of dollars into the funding of the thing. As I said before, it was something designed by the leaders of the United States, in collaboration with other western leaders, because as the WW2 era came to a close, they were faced with a huge debt, an area lying in ruins, and that is the only thing they could devise to give any ray of hope: Let's all get together and agree to function as a group of nations, just as the United States has been a multiple of states with their own independent governments. We have to realize

though, there has been a lot of make shift things that have been the product of man's own initiative down through centuries of time; yet none of those things, however long they existed, or how short they lasted, has ever changed the overall picture of Biblical prophecy. If you just look back through the pages of history, you saw the rise of various things; but somewhere along the line prophecy is the measuring stick that determines the end results of all of it. Right now there seems to be little cooperation, very little agreement and very little accomplished by the United Nations. Look at this Bosnia situation: You and I know there is not much more they can put together than what is already in existence there; and I ask you, What has it done as far as shaping the world for the future. If they cannot get three factions of people to respect them, how in the name of common sense are you going to get total nations to respect the same for a lasting world peace? Even many times those troops with the relief convoys have been held up and did not know what move to make until there was something worked out. My point in saying these things is, Let us not forget what the Bible says; because the Bible gives us a unique picture: letting us know it is Rome coming back into preeminence for a short allotted time; and certainly we know that will not be a New World Order. We might say it like this, It is an old world order with a new title attached to it. There is no doubt whatsoever that we are living

somewhere in this area of time, looking through this window: just before the miraculous begins to take place. As I said before, don't place these windows we have on our chart years and years apart. We are moving toward the year 2000 A.D. That prophetic time of Hosea 6:2, if it is to be figured from the crucifixion of Christ, it will terminate in the year 2005. In the light of a generation Jesus talked about, and a little season as we find under the 5th seal, how can we extend time any longer than that? Those two days are dispensational days of prophetic time, each day a thousand years of prophetic time. They definitely have to have a beginning point and an ending point: such as they will definitely have when the week of Daniel comes into effect and Israel's revival takes place. As I see it, if 33 A.D. is when Christ was crucified, that is the only possible date you can come up with that makes any sense, for those two dispensational days to start. If you try to push it to 70 A.D., the final destruction of Jerusalem and the children of Israel being taken away into captivity, you push the ending of those two days beyond the generation of people that are to live to see the end of all these prophesied things. We have a measuring stick in the Bible and we would do well to use it properly: not trying to pinpoint any certain year, but rather recognize that we are in the season for the wrap up of these things we have been looking at. That is why I say, We can look for God to do

something with His Gentile Church in the very near future. Since 1948, pressures, conditions and circumstances have reshaped Europe until today you have a complete, combined area of nations there in western Europe that is all under one political unity, working out their economic strategies. They have been under one military umbrella since 1948. That is why we heard much about NATO. Even now, different men in our government are saying, Why doesn't NATO do something in Bosnia? That is their headache. We can say this, if you knew what is behind the scene, (and I assure you we do not know) you would know good and well there is some reason why those western leaders in Europe today do not want to lift a finger toward changing that situation. A lot of what is going on over there can be attributed to nothing more and nothing less than a religious war. That is why the Moslems there are taking a beating, both from the Croats and the Serbs; because the Croats and the Serbs are definitely either orthodox, or the other, we will say Greek Orthodox. They have been rival enemies for hundreds and hundreds of years. If you could read the pages of history when the Islamic religion came out of Saudi Arabia, how by the time we come into the 8th and 9th century, it had swept into Turkey, and what bloodshed. No historian was around to write the horrible picture; but what little I have read, especially when they attacked

Constantinople, they literally beheaded Christians by the thousands. Who stood by to contest it? What world leader said, Let's send aid? I hope you get the picture. Those people have reason to remember that horrible hour. To me it is a tragedy, to think how in modern times innocent people are suffering. I just have to say this, God is looking down on what is taking place. He sees it better than I do. We just have to realize that eventually every bit of that area of old eastern Europe, going into Asia, by the time it is all over, is going to be lined up with Rome one hundred percent; so everything just has to work into place. Man can interfere; but man cannot defeat the plan and purpose of God. Neither can man's interfering change God's timetable for wrapping up this whole thing. It will all be right on schedule.

WHEN GOD HIMSELF IS SANCTIFIED

Let us get back to Ezekiel 38. Here we find a war described, that a lot of people have had a lot of misgivings about. They have said, Well it looks like that could be the battle of Armageddon. No saints, it is not the battle of Armageddon. The battle of Armageddon, as we read in Revelation 16 and 19, is not even described as a

miracle war. Think of it. There is not a thing in Revelation that tells you the battle of Armageddon will produce anything that God is glorified in. Yet right here in this war described in Ezekiel 39 and 39 it plainly tells you, number one, He is going to be sanctified in Gog. Then it says He is going to be sanctified among the heathen. The heathen mentioned is not that poor bush man in the Congo either: it is this bunch of educated, know-it-all politicians that act like they have the answer to everything: along with Professor This and Professor That, many of whom will even reject the very idea that there is a sovereign God in the picture. Yes the heathen mentioned in these scriptures are those type of individuals. Then we notice also, it plainly closes out by saying, And Israel will know from that day onward that I am the Lord their God who is in the midst of her forevermore. That tells me this war is an episode that is to be fought just before the time that from the western world is introduced that covenant period which will be the 70th week of Daniel. There is no doubt as the western world watches this unfold, seeing how God portrays himself to the leaders of the western world where the beast is already being shaped, already put together, ready to go into action, those leaders will not be disturbed one bit. However within the realm of Gentile nations there is going to be people whose hearts are going to be touched. That is why God speaks of

how He is sanctified in the midst of the heathen. There has to be a reason why God wants to be sanctified. It is not that He is unholy. It means He wants to be recognized as a Holy God in the midst of a nation of people that has forgot all about Him. That is what we have to look at here. You can see it today. That is why our western nations do not want God brought into the picture. That is the last thing on earth they want. Israel has been ruled much through recent years by the politician type Jew, not looking at the future of Israel from a Messianic viewpoint. The religious, Messianic people have been pressed into the background. Therefore you have to realize somewhere in front of us, when we come to this period of time that these prophecies are to drop down and be fulfilled, God will make the governors of Judah as a torch in the midst of the pile of wood. They have not been like that yet. It is true there was a six day war, even then in the Israeli government there was a lot of bickering as to what they would do and would not do. Nevertheless when it became obvious that Nasser of Egypt and the Syrians were ready for a strike, they had to agree to a strategy and God honored it. Since then they have done everything else other than to really agree on anything. Therefore my point in saying this is, Ezekiel 38 is not a war like conventional types of wars of the past. While it is a war that Russia, with her allies, are coming against Israel in one of the most unique sneak attacks

that could ever be put together in modern times, it is going to be different than anything the world has ever witnessed. That is why it does not say in the Bible that they are going to come dropping out of the air with parachutes. No. It tells in Ezekiel they are coming on horseback. Like I said earlier, Imagine thousands of troops coming from Libya, from Russia, from Persia and Ethiopia on horseback. How far do you think they would get, with Israelis intelligence as sharp as it is? They would never get where they were going. It would not be a miracle in the, it will be a miracle if they survive even long enough to get to the borders of Israel. No saints, they are not coming against Israel by those primitive means. The horses they will be coming on will be horsepower: as your engines are rated today. These shields and bucklers and things that ancient mankind used, you just have to transfer that terminology to modern armament and high tech fire power. Every last bit of it is Russian made. That is why it stipulated here, Art thou not he whom his servants have prophesied in former times, now we would have to find that somewhere in other Israeli writings; because it is not in our Bible. Let us go to Ezekiel 38:14, and look at something that is in our Bible. I know there are people who will say, Oh Jackson, you are wrong, God has already torn Russia to pieces. To those people, I just have to say, No. He did NOT tear the land of Magog apart; and that is the part of the old

Soviet territory this prophecy pertains to. God just broke up that great monster that had such a large perimeter out there. It was never all known as Russia. Did you know there was a time when Turkey ran all the way up into that region? Yes, there was a time when much of that area was called Turkistan. That was not Russia. However out of that, eventually, that which actually is Russia, the land of the Muscovites, (who are the descendants of Meshech and Tubal) came the heart core of what you look to as Russia. It is true, as we come through the 18th century there was a lot of bloodshed in that vast region. Russia did not extend all the way to the Orient. But as that Communistic spirit hit, they were successful in surrounding and putting together (though gradually) a vast network of smaller countries, such as Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and those. There were many of them: too many to mention. It all combined into a vast area of what was known as the Soviet Union, which was a communist empire; and that is what has been broken up. However what God was looking at in Ezekiel 38 and 39 are still right there; and I might say, very capable of fulfilling what we are reading about. These words were written to, or about Gog, the chief prince, (or ruler) of Meshech and Tubal, of the land of Magog; so that is where we look to as we study these scriptures. God was looking right at that old hard core. Right now if you would ask those Russian politicians,

Do you believe you will play a future role in coming down into the land of Israel, by making alliance with Persia and Ethiopia? you would probably hear them say, Why? We see no need for anything like that. Well naturally they would see no need for that at this present time. Neither do those Common Market nations of Western Europe look at the Bible to see their future role in the plan of God. Circumstances and world conditions just lead up to the point of their active role in fulfilling these prophecies. The Bible tells us God will put hooks in the jaws of Gog and his band and bring them forth to come against Israel. They are not looking at the Bible to see what their future role in prophecy will be; but God certainly is. That is why I say, Though Israel and the PLO may sign a thousand agreements, that does not guarantee there will be peace in the Middle East? Absolutely not! Let us look at verse 14 of chapter 38. "Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, (The word Gog applies to the leader) Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when My people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?" I will repeat what I said earlier. Since 1948, the immigrant Jews that have come back to their ancient home land have not been able to live there in peace and safety. Every year there is hostility, killings by every thinkable means. They are constantly subjected to guerrilla attacks. At night the settlements are invaded. That is why the kibbutz have barbed wire around

them. Every new village has chain link fences around them. Therefore there has been no time to this point in time, that you could properly refer to them as dwelling safely. We are living in an hour when we can say this though, In the very near future, the world will wake up one morning and discover that there has been a dramatic change in the Middle East; because Israel will be on the move, fulfilling these various prophecies we have been studying. God is going to use Israel to literally secure her borders and put every Arab where he, or she is supposed to be. It is going to set the stage for those Arabs that are now very hostile toward the Jews, to suddenly realize, that from that moment on, resisting the Jews will be a fruitless endeavor. When those Arabs have finally been put to rest, after being made to see that their God is no longer with them, they will have to change their overall religious philosophy. That includes the Edomites, the Moabites and the Ammonites, all of which will be put to rest at that time: so that they no longer have that hostile attitude toward the Jews. Where you have little villages on the Golan Heights, the area taken from Syria in the six day war, presently having those fences around them, there will be no need for those fences after that. God had a reason for Ezekiel writing like this, "when my people Israel are dwelling safely." Trinity Broadcasting will not agree with me; but do you think I am going to concern myself with what they say? Just watch

and see if any of them ever preach this kind of a picture concerning these prophecies we have been looking at. They cannot; because they do not see the true picture. Just as the scripture says in Proverbs 29:18, "Where there is no vision (or revelation) the people perish." Those who have a revelation of the word of God will not be running a program. You cannot run a preplanned, traditional program and be subject to the leadership of the Spirit of God both at the same time. I am aware that many times you can see and hear things on those denominational programs that make it look like those people are doing a great work of God; but if you know anything yourself, it does not take long for you to realize they are as blind as a bat spiritually. I am persuaded though, that there is going to be a little nucleus of people walking on God's green earth from here to the end, that will have a good understanding and a clear picture in their mind's, of how this world's developments are going to begin to materialize as this age of grace to the Gentiles is phased out. This Ezekiel war we have been talking about has to be looked at as an international conflict. It is not just a matter of Israel taking care of the Arabs and putting them to rest in some soon-to-be conflict. That is only a prelude to the Ezekiel 38 war. This is somehow or other a Satanic, master minded plot, using another segment of the world, Persia, Ethiopia, Libya, and the house of Togarmah, which is Turkey. They

are definitely going to try to pull off one of the sneakiest attacks against Israel that could ever be devised. They carefully set the stage; and then come like a cloud to take Israel by surprise. (Ezekiel 38:9-12) "Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee. (10) Thus saith the Lord God; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: (11) And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates, (12) To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land." If there is any doubt in your mind as to who these people are, just pay attention to verses 16 and 17, and you will know for sure. (Ezekiel 38:16-17) "And thou shalt come up against My people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, (I want to say this, I am a Christian, but I live in a nation that has become a heathen nation. This nation now has more crime committed every night than anywhere else in the rest of this world. Shame on a nation that has taken such an attitude on how to fight

crime. We were going in and save those poor Somalias. If we had done the thing right thing, our leaders would have said, Go get that bunch of cutthroats first. Common sense would tell you, if you are going to make a difference in a situation like that, you have to go get that bunch of cutthroats out of the picture first. You had two things there that was creating this disaster. You had a natural drought. That made the food supply very short. Then that bunch of cutthroats, war lords if you please, was using what was left there to fatten their own gut and fill their own pocketbook. You know that is the truth. The poor Somalia children were caught between the crossfire and have become victimized by their own leaders. Yet out of these western, supposed-to-be civilized countries that pretend to be humanitarian on one standpoint, came leadership that did not know where to draw the line on what was humanitarian and what was not. I do not pretend to be a military strategist, but common sense tells me, if you go into a place like that and try to aid people under those conditions, that bunch of cutthroats will turn the whole thing in reverse and use all your efforts for their own selfish cause. That is exactly what they have done. They have master minded it to the point they are gradually turning many Somalia people against our very cause in being there. Well, I am glad God knows what He is doing here. It will not turn out like the Somalia thing has. No, this conflict is not going to be something

designed by man. It was designed by God long before the prophet ever recorded it. He is going to get glory for Himself out of it from those who are heathen in His eyes.) when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes. (17) Thus saith the Lord God; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?" (As I said, You would have to go back somewhere in other Israeli writings to find that. It is not in our Bible anywhere else.) This is going to be after Israel has already taken their ancient land and secured their borders. It will be the Islamic world's last chance to regain their religious prestige; but Russia has to play the part of being their guide, their military adviser, furnishing the technicians, and the military strategist that they feel necessary to conquer the Jews. God will force them to do it. "And I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me." Does that mean every king, every leader, every governor is going to be awakened? No. But it means out in this western, educated world, there are some people out here that at that time, God wants their attention. It is their personal attention God is after. He is not going to change the antichrist system nor the beast system in Europe. No. But there are some individual people that He is going to change their attitude as to the part they play and the role they participate in. That is why He has

designed it this way. "When I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, (God is speaking directly to the ruler of this whole thing.) before their eyes." (18) "And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, that my fury shall come up in my face. (19) For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel." Saints, you may think you have seen anger before; but when God gets angry things are going to shake.

HOW-AND WHY GOD WILL FIGHT AGAINST GOG AND MAGOG

As you read on through Ezekiel 38, you will see that it says nothing about the kings of the East: as you read in Revelation 16. Therefore this is not the great day of the Lord, the day of God's wrath upon the whole earth, we are looking at in this chapter. This is a precise time when God is bringing one nation, which is the leader of other nations, which somehow or other have demanded the right to attack this little nation that they feel the Arabs have failed so miserably in all their efforts of trying to conquer them. Strictly because they are still Islamic, they feel they are being cheated by the events

that will have transpired just prior to this time. As I said earlier, The Islamic people have been split into two camps for hundreds of years; but they are still Islamic nonetheless; and this bunch that comes with God will feel that it is their responsibility to finish up what the other bunch have tried to do and failed. Those of Saudi Arab and those who are basically Arabs of that nature, were the Soonites; but those of Persia and all that other category are the Shiites. The Shiites, as far as history is concerned, have always been in the forefront. They seem to set the stage. That is why when God takes care of the other Arabs with Israel and puts them to rest, He leaves this other camp to deal with; and He deals with it by doing this thing we see in Ezekiel 38. Now do not be misled: This shaking is not God dropping an atomic bomb. God does not need an atomic bomb. He has enough destructive forces at His finger tips to outdo anything all your man made bombs put together could ever do. In a few hours time He can tear down what it has taken men hundreds of years to build. Do not try to minimize this thing saints: like gentile mind's are so prone to do: When God said there will be a shaking in the land of Israel, and it is going to be known world wide, (20) "So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be

thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground," He has a purpose in it at. When you read it like that, you might ask, Well what is the purpose of it? God gets glory from it. Do we not find in Exodus, how God brought two and some odd million people across the Red Sea by such a miraculous means? It plainly tell you there that a strong east wind blew all night long. When daylight came the next day the children of Israel looked at that body of water and there was a deep, dry chasm running right through there to the other side. God said to Moses, Come on, go across to the other side. The way some people respond to the word of God reminds me of a little story I heard somewhere. It is typical of how Gentile mind's react to the things written in the Bible. They treat it as though it is all fiction. The story goes like this, There was a small boy who had modern parents that did not want him going to Sunday School, nor anywhere that he would learn anything about the Bible. Well the story goes, that there were new people that moved into the area and he became a close friend to one of their children. His friend asked him to go to Sunday School with him and he went. On that particular Sunday, the teacher was talking about the children of Israel leaving Egypt, and telling how God miraculously brought them through the Red Sea. The story is complete and the little boy goes home: where his mother asked, Johnny: What did you learn today? The little boy

said, I don't know. Now Johnny, come on and tell me what you learned today. Mommy, I heard one of the most fantastic stories I ever heard in my life. The teacher told us about how many years ago there was a large group of people in a foreign country, and they had been there for many years; and had been turned into slaves. After they had been mistreated for so long their God decided He wanted to lead them out of there. The day came, and He led them out of there; but they came to a large body of water out there in the desert that they could not cross. When Moses saw the predicament they were in, he called a halt and got on his walkie talkie and called to the rear for reserves; and up they came with modern equipment and cut down trees and everything. His mother interrupted him: Now Johnny, you know that is not the truth. To that He responded, Well if I had told you the truth, you would not have believed it. That is typical our Gentile world in this day and hour. God has to slap them up one side of the head, knock them down, step on them, and turn them over, before He gets their attention. In this day of modernism, and intellectualism God has this thing designed like this because He wants to get the attention of a few Gentiles. He has a purpose in it: to use them. Therefore as God does this thing, this is how He deals with these people, these troops that come into the land of Israel like a cloud. That is why I said, These troops are not coming in long convoys. Common

sense would tell anyone that ten thousand troops leaving Russia, winding their way down through Turkey toward Israel, would be picked up by Israeli intelligence before they got very far. Keep in mind, we have intelligence satellites and we share this technology with Israel; therefore Israel would have it. Think where the Libyans are situated in North Africa. If they were to start across Egypt with a long convoy of military trucks, Israel will know it. The same with Ethiopia, and also coming from Persia. There is no way they can come that way. It tells you in another verse here, they will come quickly, like a storm. A storm is something that goes into effect quickly. What does verse 9 say, "Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land." You do not have time to put a new roof on your house when you see a storm coming. The closest thing to this description that we have ever known, was when our troops went into Saudi Arabia to fight the Gulf War: We staged one of the largest military airlifts ever known in the annals of warfare. We put more equipment and men in the field in a matter of hours, than anyone had ever heard of at that point in time. When this Ezekiel war is fought, they will not be bringing a half million troops: you are dealing in the thousands. That is the way we have to look at it. I have no doubt this is going to be troops that are trained by Russian technicians, because their own intelligence, their own strategy is, If

we are able to pull this off as a sneak attack, we have to do it so we are not in the air over an hour: lest Israeli intelligence pick it up and have them prepared. No they are not going to drop them in the midst of Jerusalem. Common sense would tell you that. They are going to pick a large rural area somewhere, so they can drop them on the ground, where there is the least amount of military defenses. Well that is exactly where God wants them. I have to say people who cannot believe what God did at the Red Sea, and at the Jordan River later, when Joshua crossed over and the waters walled up like a giant wall, and people who cannot believe the walls of Jericho fell straight down, not straight out, just wait a little while: God is going to shake your brain, and make your eyes turn over in your head when He begins to do some of these things we are dealing with in this message. I say all that because I am sick and tired of hearing all these modern philosophers so full of unbelief, as though they are so smart they could not possibly believe anything like what we are talking about: when actually God has their number; and knows exactly how to bring them all to an abrupt end. That is why God has saved the best until last. He is going to show some of it in the next few years as He shapes things up and gets it ready for the western world to move in, and the antichrist to fulfill his lot. Yes, imagine all these thousands of troops coming. I can see the air filled with giant cargo planes

and doors suddenly flying open. There are literally hundreds of men following each other, waves upon waves of them. God waits until He has the right number in that drop zone; and then He makes His move. Let me just say this, When heaven opens up and God begins to rain a torrential rain on them, do not dare tell me that will not hamper their modern military equipment. Not only rain but great hailstones also, will be hitting them. (Ezekiel 38:22-23) "And I will plead against him (Gog and his band of invaders) with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. (23) Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord." That is also going to take place in the day of God's wrath at the end of the great tribulation: under the 7th vial judgment. The only thing is, Ezekiel does not give the weight of the hailstones that will fall, like Revelation does. Notice Revelation 16:21, what it says. "And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great." Whatever the weight of a talent is, that is what God will rain down upon wicked mankind at the end of this age; and from the announced results of this intervention on the part of God in

the Ezekiel war, I would say the hailstones could be every bit as great as those under the 7th vial of Revelation 16. When the whole thing is over, only one sixth part of those invading forces will be left alive to return home. You can read that in 39:2. At the same time, in the 21st verse, it says, "And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains." Mountains here, does not mean geographical mountains. It is symbolic, meaning kingdoms of human beings. Listen carefully to me, and keep in mind what I said earlier about Tarshish being the old country of Spain. It was known in ancient times to Israel; because I was reading how it carried on commerce and trade with Israel before Israel was taken off into Babylonian captivity. The other regions of Europe were basically barbarous tribes of people. No nations were yet formed. That is why they are not named in this prophecy. But when it says, "And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord God: every man's sword shall be against his brother," That sounds contradictory the way we would normally read it. Do you know why? It would sound like everyone will get into it with each other. That is not the way it will be. You have to look at it from the standpoint, are we not all created brethren, as far as human beings concerned on this planet? Are you not also a created brother to the Russian people? Sure you are. You can claim

that in any generation you want to. So when it says God will call for a sword throughout all his mountains, you are looking at people, every one of their swords against their brother. You are dealing with the created family of God, not the spiritual family of God. That is how you have to look at it. It does not mean anarchy is going to break out within the nations where God is calling for this thing. No, He is calling for a military strike out of those nations. Just take a good look at Europe: where she will be in that hour. Does it not tell you in Revelation 13 concerning the beast with ten horns (which we know is pointing to those ten nations of western Europe) that John saw it coming up out of the sea? This is the beast Daniel saw, and when he saw it coming up, he saw this little horn with the eyes of a man and a mouth speaking great things: how that little horn subdued three of the ten horns and so forth. It plainly tells you there in Revelation that the dragon gave that beast his seat and his power and great authority. It tells us also, that people will worship the dragon that gives his power unto the beast, saying, Who is equal to the beast, who is able to make war against the beast. Saints you are looking at western Europe in a future hour: when she is called upon to play a role, a role she refused to take part in there in Bosnia. When God calls upon her to play a role in this event, she will do it. It is not a case where western Europe goes into anarchy, drawing their swords against each other, even

though it may sound like that: It is absolutely a situation where out of those nations there is to be a military strike against those who they have definitely tried to see as brethren: to bring about peace. Yes. Western Europe is definitely going to be faced with going into action. (Ezekiel 38:22) "And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone." God does not need rockets, nevertheless as he pleads with these nations of Europe, He will let them use their rockets. Keep in mind, God is going to deal with the troops of Russia and all her allies that come into the land of Israel. He will do that with His own miraculous power, but He is going to definitely use the military capability of these nations in Europe to rain a devastating blow on the land of Magog. That is the way the Bible reads. All of that along with natural elements including hailstones, and fire, and brimstone. (23) "Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord." It is all yet to be. That is what this window on our chart lets us look toward. This is how we are to look toward the seventieth week of Daniel. It goes into motion on the heels of this Ezekiel war. There is absolutely no doubt that it will be just a few months, a year or two maybe until that

week goes into effect. The effects of this thing no doubt brings the western world to natural man's thinking: We have got to do something to avoid another event like this; or we are going to be shoved over the brink into total anarchy. That leaves mortal mankind with a dilemma; so they get together and do the only thing they know to do. They are not going to pick up the Bible and read it: to get their instructions. You know they will not do that. Neither will they get on their knees and say, Lord help me, I want to know what you want me to do next. No, they will never humble themselves to do a thing like that; and besides, God will already have put it in their hearts to play the role the Bible describes in the 17th chapter of Revelation. They will not look to God as men ought to look to Him for direction; but they will finally agree to call upon the pope of Rome to mediate what they are determined to do. In the meanwhile, God just simply allows Satan to fill their minds with all kinds of ideas; but in the final outcome what they do will fulfill the purpose of God exactly. His word cannot fail.

HOW TO LOOK AT ISAIAH **CHAPTER 49**

We will go back to Isaiah 49: where God, through the spirit of prophecy

looks to the future of Jerusalem. The future of Jerusalem is revealed in these passages of scripture of these various prophecies. The old city, not the new city that has been built since the 20th century, which is on the higher land. The old city has definitely got to be rehabilitated and put in a proper condition for immigrant Jews from different areas of the world that are definitely to choose it for their dwelling place to fulfill scripture. They are not on the scene yet; but they are going to be coming sometime in the near future, as the clock of prophetic time moves to that point. We notice here this prophecy how the Spirit of God spoke on behalf of the geographical mountain, Mt. Zion, the spot where Jerusalem is built. The prophecy is speaking for the mountain, and in it the mountain is speaking in behalf of her inhabitants. Let us pick it up in the 14th verse, "But Zion said, The Lord hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me." Just think, In 70 A.D., August 10th, when Jerusalem fell to the Roman army, as the sun rose the next day the Roman army was gathering up the remaining healthy, work-able young Jews. The idea was, We will sell them on the world slave market. They were sold in Egypt, they were sold in Constantinople, and some were sold in Rome. From that time until a short time ago, Mt. Zion lay desolate as far as literal Jewish occupancy in a major role; but coming up is the city. God says this, (18) "Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold:

all these gather themselves together, and come to thee (That is the new wave of immigrants that are soon to come and take up occupancy in Jerusalem.) As I live, saith the Lord, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a bride doeth." In other words, I will clothe you with Jewish inhabitants. Right now, old Jerusalem is populated by three fourths Arabs. Verse 17 says, "Thy children shall make haste; (meaning the future occupants) thy destroyers (which are the Arabs) and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee." (19) "For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, (meaning no place to live, no house to live in. In other words, There will be no vacancy signs everywhere: there will be no place to rent. It does not apply to the ground: there is plenty of ground; but no place to have a roof over their head's.) and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away." You have two verses there that tell you what the future is of old Jerusalem's inhabitants. That should tell us there is no way God is going to leave three fourths of the occupants of old Jerusalem to be Arabs: to stay there demanding self government, we want self government, when God's word says they are going to be moved out of there. That is why it is going to be interesting to watch the next few months, to see what does unfold before the eyes of the world. (Isaiah 49:20)

"The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, (That points back to 70 A.D.) shall say again in thine ears, The place is too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell." In other words, in this modern age, Can you not hear in that hour, when they have cleared out all the Arabs and the city is opened up for renovation and total reconstruction, they are rebuilding the city and here comes the new wave of immigrants; and as people begin to get a promise of this and that there will be so many more in line hoping for a place they will be saying, Look, I have been waiting here six months: When am I going to get my opportunity? I can just hear them now. That is exactly the way it was two years ago when the iron curtain finally fell and Russia agreed to let the Jews come back. Here they came by plane loads. It was not very long until the Israeli government was faced with a dilemma: There, stood Jews by the scores saying, We want a place to live. That is when, from the west we shipped boat loads of house trailers and they set up temporary housing in the outskirts of Jerusalem, on the outskirts of other villages that were already built. Do you know what though, those Russian immigrant Jews coming back to the land of their heritage, when the Israeli government wanted to put them in temporary housing, (which was those house trailers) they looked at those things like they were dog houses. I don't want to live in that, when most everything in

Israel is made of stone. That caused me to ask myself the question; and I would like the opportunity to ask them, Is this not a far cry better than what your forefathers, whom you brag about, that came out of Egypt under the leadership of Moses, came to? Every Sabbath meeting, you read all about that. They lived in tents of skins; so tell me, What is wrong with this? Well saints, that is this modern, 20th century mind for you: They could never live like their forefather's lived. Therefore when you read this, you are going to see that the Jews are going to want their portion. That is what it is all about. (21) "Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? behold, I was left alone; these, where had they been?" That is yet just ahead of where we are in time. When that hour has come about, God has used Israel to set these prophetic pictures in shape, and when they cross over into Jordan and take all that and subdue it, you will have this verse we have just read. There is no doubt that miraculous display of God's power is going to awaken the heart and the interest of another wave of Jews that are now standing back with questions, I just don't know whether I want to get back there in that mess or not. Keep in mind, God has more ways than one of getting them out of Egypt: if you know what I mean. The point is, When God shows His power in all of this, that is going to

cause another wave of Jews to say, I can see now, that God is with my people. I want to go back where my God is watching over His people. As they come back, they come back with a vision, I want to live where my forefathers lived. Naturally many of them will say, I want to live in Jerusalem. It will be time for Jerusalem to be renovated. This brings Isaiah 60 into the picture.

CHAPTER 60 OF ISAIAH GOES WITH CHAPTER 49

When you go to Isaiah 60, take a good look at it. Isaiah 60 brings you through this, AND through this, to the few months before this sets in. (pointing to chart just before the seventieth week of Daniel is set in motion) There, in Isaiah 60, what a beautiful picture you see. This makes me say, Lord: I know I don't have to live until Jesus comes back to prove that I believe your word: I am ready to go any time you see fit to take me; but what I see here in your written word makes me want to say, Let me stick around to watch this picture unfold. Gentiles as a whole will not read this; because they just simply do not know whether it is true or not. They will run after everything else though: no matter how silly it is. When this 60th chapter unfolds, the 49th chapter is hanging right over the top of

it. Jerusalem is in a stage of being rebuilt and being inhabited, the temple is in the process of being built; and we find God speaking on behalf of it. The 5th verse plainly tells how the forces of the Gentiles and the abundance of the sea shall be converted. That is not talking about spiritual conversion: It is talking about material things being converted, changed over to the destiny of serving Israel in her cause. In the 6th verse, we read this. (Isaiah 60:5-6) "Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. (6) The multitude of camels shall cover thee, (What nation today has camels by the thousands? Saudi Arabia. If you had been watching the news as our soldiers first entered Saudi Arabia and they put them in the desert to begin their initial training, many times where they were dug in, off on the horizon, there would go two or three camels. They did not tell who they belonged to; but I bring it in, so keep in mind, Saudi Arabia and all that region across the Jordan River, and on back through here, (pointing to chart) for centuries was basically a Bedouin people. It was only after we came into the 20th century that many of these Bedouin people begin to decide that they were going to blend together and form a city environment. However out in the wastelands you still find the Bedouin people. There is where the camels are; so watch this. What will

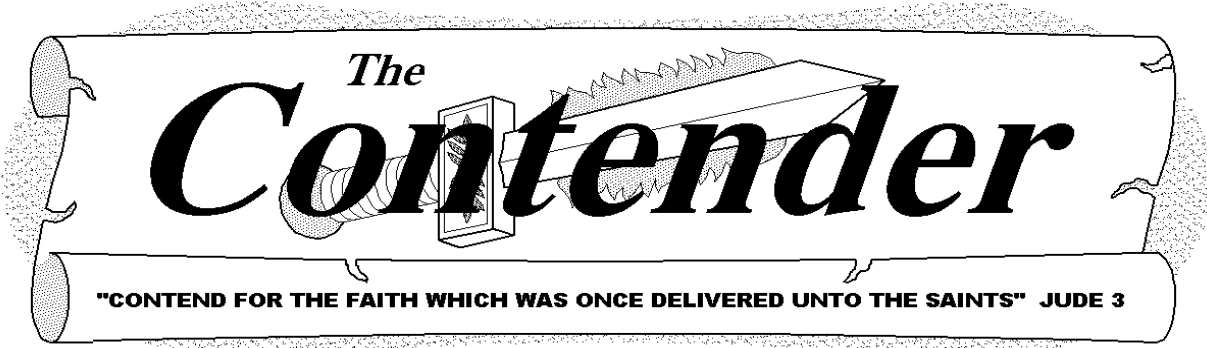
the multitude of camels cover? Mt. Zion.) the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; (That is also out of Saudi Arabia.) all they from Sheba shall come: (That is Saudi Arabia also.) they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord." What are they going to bring? Gold and incense. That is why I brought in Haggai 6: As the Lord prophesied about the temple in the end time, God told the people then, (Haggai 2:8-9) "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts. (9) The glory of this latter house (That is the one to be built around the beginning of the seventieth week of Daniel. As you read in Revelation 11, you see that John was told to take a reed and measure it.) shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts." Here, we see that there will be people coming out of Saudi Arabia, riding camel back: Not driving Cadillacs; and they will be bringing gold and incense for the temple. You know Saudi Arabia is one of the wealthiest oil countries in the world. Is that not true? I wish President Bush would have let the king of Saudi Arabia honor our troops with a certain amount of gift money like he pledged to do; but our president turned it down. Maybe it was supposed to be so, in order for all of it to come to this occasion. Maybe some of you did not know that; but it was in the News: They would not let him give our soldiers a reward of any kind of

monetary value for their faithfulness in coming over there to fight. (7) "All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth (You read those names in Genesis 25:12-13: they are the sons of Abraham by Keturah, his second wife.) shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory." The house of His glory is His temple; and all of this pertains to the rebuilding of it. I say this again, There is no way you could send an emissary, a spokesman for Israel to Saudi Arabia today and have him say to them, Would you people of Saudi Arabia and of these regions round about be willing right now to contribute anything to the Israeli cause by building a temple on the spot where the Mosque of Omar presently stands? They would think such a person was crazy. Well I just have to say this, and I just feel like jumping up and down with joy, Just wait until God gets through using Israel like we have been talking: It will be a different picture altogether. That Mosque of Omar will no longer mean one thing to those Arabs. It was built in 600 and something A.D. They beautified it several times through the centuries; and they (the Arabs) claim Mohammad rode off from there into heaven. They want to claim he is coming back that way; but when God gets through using Israel the way these prophecies show that He will, they are going to have a different revelation. They will know that Mohammad has

left them. The truth is, He is still in his grave. But when Jesus Christ left from there, He has never been in a grave since. He is coming back one of these days. That is why none of these characters on trinity broadcast want to deal with these prophecies; they just simply do not have the picture of it. But in front of you and me, and specially you young people, when God does these things, after it is over, watch how those Arabs are talking then. They will no longer care what happens to the Mosque of Omar; because it will be a reminder of a worthless cause. They will see that Israel now has the right to build their temple on that very spot of ground. Then, Here they come with their offerings of gold. Here comes sheep and goats from the very regions that right now would not give the Jews one dime. I have to take issue with anyone who tries to push this picture off over into the Millennium. The Jews are definitely not going to be building a temple after the Millennial rule is set up. They will be building the temple right in here. It has to be built for the seventieth week of Daniel. That is why John saw it here, in connection with the two prophets of Revelation 11: that will prophesy for the first 3 1/2 years of that week of years. If you follow the rest of this chapter on through, it will plainly tell you in the 10th verse, "And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls." That is why it is necessary for God to be magnified and sanctified before the eyes of the heathen. Out here in these Gentile nations, I can see

young Gentile men, engineers that have the knowledge to know how such a building should be put together, volunteering their time and resources. They will have the necessary equipment. This is why when God has used Israel to set all this in motion, and that hour comes that there is to be a temple, there will be as many Gentiles working on it and helping build old Jerusalem as there will be Jews. You can find the type way back there in Kings: when King Solomon built that first temple. Out of the nations round about came professional tradesmen, architects, sculptors, tradesmen in all the crafts necessary. That was not all Jews working on it. They came from many different regions. This one that is yet to be built, is being built to get ready for the Messiah to occupy it. That is exactly how you have to see these things, "And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee." That means there are some leaders that definitely are going to contribute something. Bro. Jackson, how is that going to be? Well we have a man up there now by the name Clinton, and this peace process they are getting ready to sign, he has already said he is ready to donate so much to the cause: to help establish their economy. Well if they are ready to do that now, what do you think they will do when God is seen in this thing that is on the verge of taking place? I have to say to the

critics, You need not argue with me; because, if I live, and you live, there will come the day I can say, Did I not tell you it would be like this? I am sure of it; because the scriptures vindicate the whole picture.



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