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## Foreword—A Sleeping World

While the world sleeps, lulled into a hapless slumber by the soft lullaby of media indoctrination, an insidious force is gathering, like the tentacles of an octopus.

This force is unprecedented in size, weaponry, resolve and ruthlessness.

This force is fanatical in its zeal, religious in its adherence to its goal.

And every day, its tentacles get longer, more entwined, more entrenched, and their grip tightens into a suffocating mass of strangling, rock-hard muscle about the throat of its intended victim.

While it gathers its sinister strength in quiet malevolence, its victim and its victim's allies languish in blissful denial.

I'm speaking, of course, of the Russian empire and its irrevocable date with destiny in the dusty plains and majestic mountains of the land the Son of the living God graced with His physical presence 2,000 years ago.

*Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. (Ezekiel 3:17)*

The end times are upon us.

There is no vote to determine the plan of God....

No opinion poll can affect the outcome of His eternal divine directives....

The living God who ignited the largest and most sustained nuclear explosion in history with the irresistible power of His

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eternal voice when He said, “*Let there be light*,” has declared the path of prophecy and has charted the course of all mankind—and nothing can change it....

No man can wish it away....

No politician can gather with his generals in a war room and chart a military strategy to avert the strategic will of the almighty Creator of all existence....

No angel can swing his nine-foot-long sword and cut through the fabric of the plan of the holy God who created him....

God has spoken.

It WILL come to pass.

Partner, as you read this book, you will learn some startling, frightening and, yes, even terrifying facts....

As each sobering fact makes its way into your consciousness, your flesh will do its dead-level best to be terrified....

But don't give into that temptation.

*For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1:7)*

As you read this book and you see the chaos into which the world soon will be tossed....

When you see the incredible suffering and the monumental loss of life that soon will descend upon the world like an owl sweeping in to snatch its prey into an untimely doom....

And as you see the millions of people who will be slaughtered in man's vain attempts to usurp God's place as ruler of the earth, you will be tempted to tremble in fear....

You may be tempted to want to pack up all your belongings and find a nice, secluded place to live, complete with huge stocks of

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food and a bunker....

BUT DON'T LET FEAR RULE YOUR LIFE!

God gives us prophecy NOT TO SCARE US, but to PREPARE us!

And as you read this book and see the pathetic predicaments into which mankind will soon foolishly thrust itself, don't lose sight of this simple fact:

The world is not chaotically meandering along a path that is determined by the actions of mankind—GOD IS STILL IN CONTROL!

The same God who stretched out the immeasurable expanse of heaven by a word of His power....

The same God who created everything that is seen from absolute nothingness....

The same God who split the Red Sea so that His chosen people could walk across on dry ground....

The same God who tenderly and lovingly formed every feature of you inside your mother's womb, and called you from before the foundations of the world....

This VERY SAME GOD is in control of all the colossal world events that are even now beginning to unfold!

And you have direct access to Him through the shed blood of His sacrificial Lamb, Jesus Christ, who paid the propitiatory price to pluck you from perdition.

FEAR NOT—FOR GOD IS WITH YOU!

I don't write this book to make you tremble—I write this book to fulfill God's call on my life to warn you of the things that are shortly to come to pass.

But most importantly, I write this book for one single purpose,

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of which we cannot afford to lose sight:

*Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? (1 Corinthians 15:51-55)*

All these signs mean one thing to the believer: Our aerial meeting with our beloved Savior is ever coming closer!

For the unbeliever, these signs mean another thing:

*But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Matthew 24:48-51)*



## **Chapter 1**

# **Hibernation Is Over: The Bear Awakens**

### **Russia's Lust for Wealth and Power**

I remember the words just as if they had been spoken yesterday.

United States President Ronald Reagan stood at the wall that separated East and West Germany and made a solemn call to then-Soviet president Mikhail Gorbachev:

“Mr. Gorbachev, TEAR DOWN THIS WALL!”

It was the beginning of the end for the Soviet empire.

The events that unfolded over the succeeding several years were truly monumental, as the most powerful nation in the world crumbled and fell apart, a victim of an American policy of win at all costs.

But when the Soviet Union fell, I prophesied that the Iron Curtain had only fallen for a short time—just long enough to get the Gospel into the formerly closed countries that made up the Soviet confederation.

And just as God told me, the Iron Curtain even now is in the process of climbing back up to its towering heights—the Russian mainland and the former Soviet republics have tried democracy, and they’ve decided they don’t like it one bit.

But I also made another prophecy. God told me to tell my partners that the Soviets not only were not planning to dismantle their military machine, they actually were planning to INCREASE it, using the trusting Americans as the dupes of a ploy to slow down

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the arms race so the Russians could be assured of continued supremacy.

You see, there's a fact that most people don't know.

The United States NEVER had the Soviets outgunned. For each submarine the U.S. had, the Soviets had more. For each tank the U.S. had, the Soviets had more. For each intercontinental ballistic nuclear missile the U.S. had, the Soviets had more.

But thanks to the hectic pace of arms buildup set by the United States, the Soviets worried that they would soon be outspent to the point that they would lose their supremacy.

This was a position they convinced themselves they could not afford to be in.

The Soviets, owners of an inferior economy, simply could not afford to match ruble for dollar in a protracted arms race. They had to come up with some plan to slow down the arms race so they could continue to secretly buy weapons without the U.S. buying the same amount of weapons.

So somewhere deep inside the Kremlin, the Soviets came up with a plan.

What was driving the U.S. arms buildup? Fear of the Soviets.

What would slow the U.S. arms buildup? The absence of Soviets.

Let me pause here to make something perfectly clear.

I am not attempting to imply that the social and economic forces blamed for the fall of the Soviet Union were not real. But in a totalitarian regime where the government controls all input received by the people, it is not a difficult thing to plant seeds of unrest that translate into real coups—tightly controlled coups.

When the Soviet Union fell, the change in attitude was

dramatic, even instantaneous—you might say almost disingenuous. Almost overnight, the American-hating Soviets became the West-loving Russians.

The untrusted Gorbachev gave way to the statesmanlike Yeltsin.

And almost immediately, a dramatic example of the rapid fall and decline of the formerly most-feared nation on earth unfolded: Mighty Russia entered into a war in tiny Chechnya—and almost lost.

A disorganized and poorly outfitted band of little more than street gangs held off the world's most powerful army, handing them bitter setback after setback, while the world watched and laughed.

News wires all over the planet began humming with stories almost every day telling magnificent tales of a deteriorating, rusting, discontented Russian army—nearly on the brink of rebellion, some sources said.

Politicians and pundits began to pontificate about the woeful condition of the Russian military, the losses of nuclear missiles, and the inability of generals to keep the troops content. News commentators began to decry the rusting equipment, aging tanks and unseaworthy ships that would have to be scrapped by the Russian military.

To hear the reports, you would think poor Russia would have a hard time defending itself against Michigan, much less the United States.

But someone forgot to tell Russia.

While the West smugly soaked up all the propaganda of the disintegration of Russia's military, Russia's leaders quietly continued their building programs of newer, stronger, more effective weapons, they continued to build their forces, they continued to develop newer, more accurate nuclear missiles—all while America and the

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West breathed a sigh of relief and began cutting military budgets.

Meanwhile, Russia calmly and quietly began upgrading its weaponry, building newer, faster, undetectable submarines, new high-tech gear for detecting America's submarines, stronger, more durable more agile tanks, new methods of deploying nuclear warheads and other advancements.

America, however, began destroying nuclear warheads, cutting military budgets, letting equipment age and deteriorate, spreading itself thinner and thinner over more and more missions all over the world.

And slowly but surely, though no one really paid any attention, the emasculated Russian bear began to growl again.

First it was just a little bit....

A statement here or there about America's involvement in international affairs.

Then it was a little more....

An unspoken threat if NATO decided to expand to eastern European states.

Then it became louder....

Withdrawing Russia's ambassador from the United States when the U.S. attacked Iraq.

And now, it's becoming louder still, as former Communist hard-liners take precedence in government places.

Read what Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein of On Wings of Eagles says:

The Communists have been working hard to regain their lost power over the land, an effort that sent shock waves across the world when Yevgeny Primakov....

... a former member of the dreaded Soviet KGB and strong friend and ally of Saddam Hussein, was forced on the Russian

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people as their new Prime Minister!

Primakov has devoted his entire adult life toward advancing Communist goals in Russia.

And a return to Communism will mean an end to religious as well as political freedoms throughout Russia.

These are truly dangerous times for Jews in Russia. With the economy in shambles, millions of Russians are out of work and Communist hard-liners are convincing them the Jews are to blame for all of Russia's problems!

Anatoly Shabad, a Jew and leader in the pro-Yeltsin faction of parliament, reported in the *Jerusalem Post*. "I have never seen such direct incitement before. One leaflet showed a Russian child pleading, 'Daddy, kill a Jew for my future.'"

The danger to the Jews in Russia and the now- independent, former Soviet, Moslem states is real. It grows more and more serious daily.

This kind of racist rhetoric was unheard of in the "newer, friendlier Russia" just a few years ago, but now the cries from the Russian people are getting louder, and the Communists are coming to power once again!

Make no mistake about it, Russia is raising its head, and in the next few months and possibly years (should Jesus tarry), you can expect to see more and more "old Soviet" behavior from the "new Russia."

There is even one man in Russia whom prophecy scholars have been watching for a long time. This man is Vladimir Zhirinovsky, an ultra-nationalist Russian who makes no bones about his promise to become a ruthless dictator if the people ever exalt him to power in the Soviet Union.

He is anti-Semitic, fascistic and sometimes is called the "Russian

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Hitler,” but in 1993, he received the largest number of votes in Russia’s December parliamentary elections. The Russian military loves him. In his autobiography, *The Last Dash to the South*, Zhirinovsky said this:

Let Russia successfully accomplish its last dash to the South. I see Russian soldiers gathering for this last campaign. I see Russian commanding officers in the headquarters of Russian divisions and armies, sketching the lines of troop movements.... I see planes at air bases in the southern districts of Russia. I see submarines surfacing off the shores of the Indian Ocean and landing crafts approaching shores where soldiers of the Russian Army are already marching... Infantry combat vehicles are advancing and vast numbers of tanks are on the move. Russia is at last accomplishing its final military campaign.

I’ll start by squeezing the Baltics and other small nations. I don’t care if they are recognized by the U. N. I’m not going to invade them or anything. I’ll bury radioactive waste along the Lithuanian border and put up powerful fans and blow the stuff across the border at night. I’ll turn the fans off during the day. They’ll all get radiation sickness. They’ll die of it. When they either die of it or get down on their knees, I’ll stop it. I’m a dictator. What I’m going to do is bad, but it’ll be good for Russia. The Slavs are going to get anything they want if I’m elected... I will send troops to Afghanistan again, and this time they’ll win... I will restore the foreign policy of the czars. I won’t make Russians fight. I’ll make Uzbeks and Tajiks do the fighting. Russian officers will just give the orders. Like Napoleon. ‘Uzbeks, forward to Kabul!’ And when the Uzbeks are all dead, it’ll be ‘Tajiks, forward to Kabul!’ The Baskirs can go to Mongolia where there’s TB and syphilis. The other republics will be Russia’s kitchen garden. Russia will be the brains.

I say it plainly: When I come to power, there will be a dictatorship. I will beat the Americans in space. I will surround the planet with our space stations, so that they’ll be scared of our space weapons. I don’t care if they call me a fascist or a Nazi.

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Workers in Leningrad told me, 'Even if you wear five swastikas, we'll vote for you all the same. You promise a clear plan.' There's nothing like fear to make people work better. The stick, not the carrot. I'll do it all without tanks in the streets. Those who have to be arrested will be arrested quietly at night. I may have to shoot 100,000 people, but the other 300 million will live peacefully. I have the right to shoot 100,000. I have this right as president...! am the almighty! I am a tyrant!

I will follow in Hitler's footsteps... From time to time, Russia is overwhelmed with anti-Semitism. This phenomenon is provoked only by the Jews themselves... We will create new Hiroshimas and Nagasakis. I will not hesitate to deploy atomic weapons... History has shown that in Europe, our faithful ally should have been Germany. We could have avoided the two world wars with them. We needed a war against France... What price Paris? How about London? Washington? Los Angeles? How much are you willing to pay so I don't wipe them from the face of the Earth with my SS-I8s? You doubt me? Want to take a chance? Let's get started.

This man would be a laughing stock in America. He would not get two glances from most voters. But in Russia, he is immensely popular.

This is just another sign of the growing fanaticism in Russia, and the growing nationalism. But even more sinister, Zhirinovsky reveals an incredible anti-Semitism mirrored by the very people who are voting for him en masse.

Is it of prophetic significance that Zhirinovsky titled his book *The Last Dash to the South*?

Russia is on the rise, and the signs abound and grow stronger each day.

They are forming strategic alliances and strong relationships with Iran, Iraq, Syria, Turkey and Germany.

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Russia has a plan, but no one in the West seems to be paying attention.

And that's to the Russian bear's advantage. The longer America sleeps, the stronger the bear becomes, and the hopes of the Russian leaders is that America will sleep so long that the "glorious" strike of Russia won't even bring retaliation from the vastly weakened United States.

As Russia builds its nuclear arsenal to more deadly levels than ever, America's Congress urgently wants to build a strategic missile defense program that would knock incoming missiles from the air before they ever hit ground.

But U.S. President Bill Clinton has consistently resisted these plans, vetoing the projects even after Congress supplied the money to make it happen. Indeed, in his 1999 State of the Union Address, Clinton stressed the need for a strategic missile defense program, but when Congress passed one less than a month later, Clinton promised a swift veto. His reasoning: such a program would upset Russia.

But even more alarming than the fact that Russia is rebuilding is the even greater horror that Russia is stocking up its allies with weapons of mass destruction.

Rumors have long persisted about Russia helping Iran develop missiles that could reach Israel or the United States, but even more recently, Russia has been steadily helping Iraq build its capabilities, and Israeli intelligence forces raided a terrorist camp in Syria, only to find gigantic stores of Russian weapons—JUST NORTH OF ISRAEL'S BORDER!

Simply put, a massive military alliance in the Middle East, including Russia, Iran, Iraq, Syria and Turkey (and possibly others) is preparing for WAR....



But no one seems to be paying attention.

The Bible, however, prophesies that Russia will join together with this massive military coalition because Russia will have a “hook” in its jaw:

*And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armor, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee. Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them. 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. 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. 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, 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. (Ezekiel 38:4-12)*

God says that the Russian coalition will “come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people....”

That land, Israel, is just past 51 years of being gathered out of

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many people.

The “hook” in Russia’s jaw, of course, is treaties they have signed with terrorist nations who want nothing more than to see the eradication of Israel! Nationalistic anti-Semitism in Russia will combine with the Muslim southern Russia republics and the treaties Russia has signed with Muslim Israel-hating nations to form an irresistible “hook” in the jaw of Russia—and RUSSIA WILL ATTACK!

## Chapter 2

# Who Is Magog?

When we speak of the “War of Gog and Magog,” just who are we talking about?

*Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. (Ezekiel 38:2-3)*

In his book, *Russian Events in the Light of Bible Prophecy*, Louis Bauman states:

Magog was the second son of Japheth (Genesis 10:1, 2), one of the three sons of Noah. Before the dawn of secular history his descendants seem to have inhabited exclusively the region of the Caucasus and of northern Armenia... It is interesting to note that the very word “Caucasus” means “Gog’s fort.”

... (the Jewish historian) Josephus... said: “Magog founded those that from him were named Magogites, but who by the Greeks were called Scythians. ”... The Scythians themselves have a tradition that their ancestors originally came forth from Araxes, in Armenia. This concurs with the divine record which places the immediate descendants of Noah in Armenia. Historically speaking the Scythians (Magogites) must have emigrated northward in very early times. Historians agree that the Magogites were divided into two distinct races, one Japhetic, or European, the other Turanian, or Asiatic. The Japhetic race comprised those whom the Greeks and Romans called Sarmatians, but who, in modern times, are called Slavs or Russians. The Sarmatians were a mixture of Medes and Scythians who coalesced and emigrated in small bands into the region of the Black Sea and extending from the Baltic to the

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Ural mountains. The Turanian race comprised those Asiatic Magogites (Scythians) who dwelt upon the great plateau of Central Asia ... Today their descendants are known as Tartars, Cossacks, Finns, Kalmuks, and Mongols.

... If modern lexicographers are consulted as to what nation now represents “Rosh,” nearly all of them, together with most expositors, say Russia... Gesenius, whose Hebrew Lexicon has never been superseded, says that “Gog” is “undoubtedly the Russians.” He declared that “Rosh” was a designation for the tribes then north of the Taurus mountains, dwelling in the neighborhood of the Volga, and he held that in this name and tribe we have the first trace in history of the “Russ” or Russian nation. Gesenius also identified “Meshech” as Moscow, the capital of modern Russia in Europe. “Tubar” he identified as Tobolsk, the earliest province of Asiatic Russia to be colonized, and, also, the name of the city wherein Peter the Great built the old fortress after the pattern of the Kremlin at Moscow. Moscow bespeaks Russia in Europe, and Tobolsk bespeaks Russia in Asia.

... (in) the *Biblical and Theological Dictionary*... we read: “Magog signifies the country or people, and Gog the king of that country; the general name of the northern nations of Europe and Asia, or the districts north of the Caucasus of Mount Taurus” (Pg. 417).

The *New SchaffHerzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* has this to say: “A stricter geographical location would place Magog’s dwelling between Armenia and Media, perhaps on the shores of the Araxes. But the people seem to have extended farther north across the Caucasus, filling there the extreme northern horizon of the Hebrews... This is the way Meshech and Tubal are often mentioned in the Assyrian inscriptions....

This is all a fancy way of saying that most biblical scholars and historians consider the Magog of the Bible to be Russia of today.

This is important, because in order to understand the Bible, we must understand the historical context within which the events it

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records occurred.

When Ezekiel was told to prophesy against “Magog,” the country “Russia” did not exist. The only way Ezekiel knew to identify that country in the book he wrote was to call them what everyone around him called them—Magog.

More often than not, names of countries change, but the peoples remain the same. For instance, Babylon is now Iraq. Persia is now Iran.

Even the British started out as the Anglos and the Saxons. That morphed into English, which eventually became English.

The French were once the Franks.

Though the names change, the people remain the same.

So though practically no one today would call Russia “Magog,” it was not uncommon in the time of Ezekiel.

It is also important to note that when the Bible speaks of Gog and Magog, it is most likely speaking of a leader and his people (Gog the leader, Magog the people).

Thus, if Magog refers to Russia (as most scholars agree it does), then Gog must refer to the leader of Russia.

It’s also interesting to note that Magog’s neighbors were so terrified of Magog that when people referred to the Great Wall of China it was called Sud Yagoc et Magog, which means “The Rampart of Gog and Magog.” It was a wall designed to keep Magog out of China!

It is the inheritors of that heritage, Russia, that the Bible speaks of when it speaks of Magog.

And it’s important to note that Russia cannot produce enough industry to sustain itself. As I stated in the first chapter, the economic dearth that drove the Soviets to fall was real—the Russian

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people are REALLY suffering. They have no way to resurrect their economy....

... Except to expand their borders.

Only by conquest of nations can Russia hope to infuse its land enough with industry to support its massive populace.

In fact, Vladmir Zhirinovsky, whom I mentioned in the first chapter as the man who wants to use nuclear weapons to silence Russia's enemies, has developed a plan whereby Russia would move southward in order to control the Persian Gulf region, including Israel!

From such an anti-Semitic man, you can guess what his plans for the Jews would be once he made it to Israel!

*And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee. (Ezekiel 38:4-6)*

This passage identifies some of Magog's allies: Persia, Ethiopia, Libya, Gomer and Togarmah.

Who is Persia? It is well known to this day as Iran. In fact, the citizens of Iran do not call their country "Iran." They call their country Persia, and themselves Persians.

Iran longs for the glory days of the Persian empire. It was the Persians who for hundreds of years provided resistance to the Roman Empire, and provided the frontier that consistently resisted Roman encroachment.

Persians since that time have longed for that greatness to return

—another Persian empire, but this time with one twist—it would be an ISLAMIC Persian empire....

Cush and Put, however, are a bit more difficult to identify in the modern day than Persia. They have been the subject of quite a bit of study:

The *New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* defines “Cush” as follows:

A tribal and place name appearing frequently in the Old Testament, in the versions generally rendered “Ethiopia,” and until recently supposed always to refer to a region south of Egypt. Since the decipherment of the cuneiform inscriptions, and a more thorough examination of the historical inscriptions of Assyria, Babylonia, and Arabia, it has been discovered that the form may represent two other regions and peoples: (1) the inhabitants of a region east of central Babylonia, who were known as Kasshites or Kosshites (Gr. Kossaioi) and ruled Babylonia between the seventeenth and twelfth centuries B. C.... (2) a land and people in northern Arabia.

... Since Ezekiel says of Gog: “Thou shalt come from thy place out of the uttermost parts of the north, thou, and many people with thee” (38:15); and since “Cush” is one of the “many peoples” named as coming with Gog from out of “the uttermost parts of the north,” it is quite evident that the “Cush” in Ezekiel’s prophecy was not the “Ethiopia” of Africa but a country that was somewhere contiguous (touching or neighboring) with Persia”

That means, although Cush can mean Ethiopia, it and Put most certainly in this context do not mean the Ethiopia of today (south of Egypt), but instead mean a nation touching Persia (Iran)—like Iraq, since the Kasshites were residents of Central and Eastern Babylonia.

The Iraqis, also, reminisce for the days of Babylonian greatness. The Babylonian nation twice ruled the entire known world—and the Iraqis long to break out of the economic restrictions imposed by

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the United Nations and unite an Islamic world against the West, including America and Israel—they would do nearly anything to bring about the defeat of America and the eradication of Israel.

Gomer refers to the Cimmerians, who most scholars now believe is modern-day Germany. In the Talmud, Gomer is called Germani (the Germans). And in the Babylonian Talmud, Gomer is rendered “Germania.”

Indeed, the Cimmerians, ancestors of the modern Germans, were considered barbarians by their contemporaries. Some have even written a movie about a Cimmerian barbarian named Conan.

Actor Arnold Schwarzenegger made his debut into mainstream movies portraying this Cimmerian, who was so barbaric that no enemy was able to overcome him in hand-to-hand battle.

These ruthless Cimmerians were the ancestors of the Germanic tribes that eventually defeated the mighty Roman Empire and thrust the world into the dark ages!

These tribes were renowned for their tenacity and their ruthlessness!

Even in the modern times, the two wars that have embroiled the entire world have been started by Germany! Each time, Germany was defeated, but at a tremendous loss of life for the allies who fought against them.

Indeed, many history scholars believe that if Adolf Hitler had listened to his aides and had not attacked Russia, Germany would have succeeded in conquering the entire world.

It's interesting to note that Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the megalomaniac who wants to ascend to the Russian throne, said Russia's mistake in World War II was in not allying itself with Germany! The Bible says that Russia will do just that in the near future, forming a massive coalition against Israel!



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The Germani also could represent the Frankie tribes, for which France was named. France has been forming strategic alliances with many of the nations who are allied with the coalition that will soon be facing Israel.

As far as Torgamah, it is undisputed that this name refers to the Turkic tribes—or Turkey and modern-day Armenia.

Armenia is a tiny little country between the southern tip of Russia and the northern tip of Iran. Turkey is located north of Israel, to the east of Greece. Turkey was the staging ground for Americans to patrol the “no-fly zone” in Iraq after the Gulf War, but Turkey since has gradually cooled toward the West, and is again embracing its Islamic brethren—an ominous sign for peace in the region.

So let’s put it all together. What enemies does God prophesy will come against Israel?

- ◆ Russia (Magog).
- ◆ Iran (Persia).
- ◆ Iraq (Cush).
- ◆ Possibly Syria or Jordan (Put).
- ◆ Germany, and maybe France (Gomer).
- ◆ Turkey or Armenia (Togarmah).

This coalition will be the most formidable aggressive military force ever assembled on the face of the planet.

The Axis powers of WWII (Germany, Japan and Italy) were nowhere near as dangerous as this assembled belligerent group will be.

Truly, when Israel faces the foes predicted in Ezekiel 38, it will look hopeless. Israel is a tiny little country.

It’s true that Israel has a formidable air force, considered by

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many to be the best in the world. It's true that Israel has intercontinental ballistic nuclear missiles.

But the coalition of nations that will come against Israel will be greater than even those two advantages can help—it will look like the very end for Israel, and indeed, if not for the intervention of God, it WOULD be the end of Israel.

The Islamic nations that will ally themselves with Russia are literally armed to the teeth. Iran has been on a spree of buying and building weapons so massive in scale that it almost boggles the mind.

Generally, all western scholars believe that Iran already has nuclear capability, and some believe Iran may even have the ability to deliver nuclear weapons at long range.

Iran has continued to surprise the West with its advances in technology.

Just last year, when America thought it was impossible for Iran to develop a certain high-tech tank, weapons experts announced that Iran had developed just such a tank.

In addition, Iran is buying submarines.

Now, understand that submarines are almost useless in a tiny place like the Persian Gulf—unless you are using them to set mines in the Gulf!

Iran also has a formidable air force—second only in the region to Israel's air force. In addition, Iran and Iraq are beginning to cooperate with each other in a newfound friendliness that strikes terror into the hearts of their neighbors.

These two nations who were formerly at war are beginning ever more to cooperate.

Indeed, when the United States attacked, Iraq hid some of its

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best aircraft in the airports of its former enemy—Iran.

Iraq, also, has a massive store of weapons that the United States has tried many times to eliminate, only to end in failure.

In fact, an American weapons inspector who went public with information that Iraq was stockpiling weapons on a massive scale was quickly hushed up before he could stir up international trouble.

Iraq has been bending under the pressure of strangling international sanctions for the better part of a decade, and they are ready to form almost any alliance to throw off the shackles of sanctions from their necks—including making friends with their former bitter enemy, Iran. After all, they may have been enemies before, but they share a common religion, and a common enemy—Israel and America.

If these nations combine their formidable weapons stockpiles together with the almost unlimited resources of Russia, the world will never have seen such an incredible war machine—and it will be armed to the teeth, with ONLY ONE GOAL IN MIND: Destroy Israel and drive the Jews into the sea!

Why would Russia want to attack Israel? I alluded to it above, but let me make it perfectly clear here: Russia needs money!

To make the kind of money Russia needs to sustain itself, Russia must control the Middle East and at least a portion of its oil.

Did you know that Israel is possibly sitting on the largest store of oil in the world?

Read the press release below from an American oil company:

NESS ENERGY INTERNATIONAL, INC. FINALLY  
ACQUIRES DRILLING RIGHTS IN ISRAEL.

Kit Karson Corporation of Willow Park, Texas, is excited to report that Ness Energy International, Inc., has acquired 100% working interest in the Hesed License, which covers 55.3 square

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miles in the State of Israel. This concession covers the southwest end of the Dead Sea, where the company's president, Hayseed Stephens, believes major oil reserves are located beneath the tremendous salt dome, Har Sedom. The well, Elohim Perazim, has been staked and is located in the middle of the world's oldest oil seeps. Oil seeps were the first indicators for the presence of oil that have led to many major discoveries throughout the world, especially in the Middle East. The depth of the well is to be in excess of 20,000 feet deep. Updated geology, geophysical work, and seismic work indicates the main reservoir could have oil reserves of much more than one billion barrels, making it a super-giant oil field. The main resource rocks are known to produce great reservoirs and have produced 20 giant, or super-giant, oil fields in similar geological regions nearby in this rift zone.

This company has invested huge sums of money to buy the oil rights for the southern end of the Dead Sea, because all indications are that there are gigantic stores of oil there!

The discovery of an actual massive oil reserve there could be the catalyst that would spark Russia and its allies to swoop in on Israel!

## Chapter 3

# At War With the Living God

When Russia attacks Israel, they will find themselves in position for what baseball fans would call a shutout, or what boxing fans would call a first-round K.O. ....

They will be the possessors of overwhelming force....

They will have massive numbers on their side....

They will have the most advanced weapons....

They will have the advantage of surprise....

And they will be facing a foe that lives on a tiny strip of land no bigger than nine miles wide at some points.

But these nefarious allies may not realize something the Bible makes very plain:

*And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren. And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard them. And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore afraid.*

*And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel. And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this*

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*uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God? (I Samuel 17:22-26)*

David had a realization that had not struck the soldiers of Israel.

They, arrayed in their battle gear, feared the giant of a man they saw taunting them.

They had relied upon their weapons in battle before. They knew their capability....

These soldiers knew exactly how hard a blow their armor could withstand....

They knew exactly how much damage they could inflict with their swords and spears....

They had been in hand-to-hand combat, and understood exactly the kind of physical prowess it took to kill a man who was trying to kill them....

They understood the ways of war, and when they saw the giant Philistine, they understood that their armor wasn't strong enough....

Their swords weren't effective enough....

Their spears were as spaghetti noodles....

Their bodies weren't strong enough to vanquish him in hand-to-hand combat....

The soldiers of Israel knew their limitations, and they knew they had no hope of defeating Goliath.

Goliath, as well, knew he was a greater man than any man in Israel. After all, he was a *"warrior from his youth."* He was well versed in how to win battles—and he was confident that he would easily defeat whatever champion Israel sent forth into battle.

But David understood a principle that none of these great warriors understood.

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*And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. (1 Samuel 17:33-37)*

David, who had spent his time in a relationship with God on lonely afternoons tending sheep, had developed an understanding of the Most High. His understanding led to faith, and his faith led to action. When a lion attacked the sheep for which David was responsible, he did not hesitate to move on behalf of the sheep, because his relationship with God had led to trust that God would deliver him. The same happened when a bear attacked.

David understood from those two life lessons that the battle does not go to the stronger opponent when the living God is involved!

David's confidence in God was such that he understood the tenor of the battle facing Goliath as none of the great men of war could.

David understood that the giant was not making fun of Israel, he was challenging Israel's God. And from experience, David knew that Israel's God was more powerful than Goliath could ever hope to be.

*And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which*

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*he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine. And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield went before him. And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance. And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field. (1 Samuel 17:40-44)*

Goliath was disgusted when he saw the teenager Israel had sent out to battle. He properly judged within instants that David was no physical match for the gigantic Goliath. Not only that, this puny Israelite had come to battle with no armor on, with no sword or spear, and with no shield. He had come to battle with what looked like a stick to drive dogs away from sheep, and with a bag full of rocks.

The disgusted Philistine then bellowed out a promise he was sure within himself he would have no problem keeping: *“I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.”*

David was outmatched. He was vastly smaller than his enemy. His weapons could not compare to the advanced technology of his enemy. Indeed, to the natural eye, the weapons David had could not realistically be expected to cause any damage whatsoever to his enemy. But David knew that his success did not rest in the weapons he possessed, nor in his physical size or prowess.

*Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied. This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcasses of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that*



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*all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. And all this assembly shall know that the Lord saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hands. (1 Samuel 17:45-47)*

David knew that God would defeat the giant so that the people would understand that God does not need people to win battles for Him in their own strength—He is God!

*And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth. (1 Samuel 17:49)*

God has promised much the same sort of victory for Israel over the massive Russian and allied forces that come against her.

*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.... (Ezekiel 38:18)*

God has made a solemn oath that He will never break. That oath, with Abraham, the patriarch of Israel, was this:

*And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. (Genesis 12:2-3)*

God does not take kindly to those who would oppress his chosen people. Because of the covenant God made with Abraham, He has made it clear that He will personally involve Himself when someone comes against Israel:

*Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon. For thus saith the Lord of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye. For, behold, I will shake mine*

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*hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants....  
(Zechariah 2:7-9)*

God has a special place in His heart for Israel.

The apple of someone's eye is the most sensitive place on the human body. God has declared of Israel that anyone who touches Israel is touching the most sensitive place of God! They are literally poking their finger in God's eye!

God has reserved incredible retribution against those who would dare such a move:

*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; 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. (Ezekiel 38:19-21)*

God promises a massive earthquake—so huge that everything on the face of the planet will feel it. This earthquake will be so large that mountains will literally be destroyed.

Can you imagine such an incredible shaking of the earth? Such a huge earthquake would literally be off the scales! Man would not even possess the capability to measure such a massive temblor.

An earthquake massive enough to drop mountains to the ground and to be felt all over the world would do the kind of devastation that would change entire landscapes. Rivers would be redirected. Lakes and ponds would be reshaped and overflow. Skyscrapers would tumble to the ground, taking their befuddled occupants with them into gigantic heaps of concrete, steel rebar and human loss of life.

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The oceans would react with monumental tidal waves—entire islands would be wiped out by the onslaught of rushing water.

Computer systems would fail. Electric companies would fail. Nuclear generation plants would possibly leak lethal radiation into the areas that surround them....

Subways would collapse. Ships would sink. The loss of human life would be nearly impossible to calculate.

This world has never before been hit with the kind of massive earthquake God is promising will hit when Magog strikes Israel—and no one will be prepared for it.

*... 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. 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.... (Ezekiel 38:22)*

God has promised that He will turn the coalition forces amassed against Israel instead against each other!

When the going gets rough, God will supernaturally cause the Russians to turn on the Germans! The Iraqis will turn on the Persians! The Syrians will turn on the Turks!

As the coalition forces devour each other in massive battles and guerrilla attacks, the confusion will only get worse! Those who stormed in to overwhelm Israel will find themselves instead embroiled in a life-and-death struggle with their own allies!

God also promises that He will strike Gog and Magog and the Russian allies with hailstones, fire and brimstone!

Gigantic hailstones, fire and sulfur will literally rain down from the skies upon the armies attacking Israel. There is no way to defend against such an attack....

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If your attacker is mankind, you can use radar to detect his planes, you can use missiles to deflect his missiles. You can fire back to eliminate the enemy who is firing upon you. You can send a nuclear weapon to destroy him....

If your enemy is launching weapons at you from an offshore ship, you can use torpedoes to sink him.

But there is no way to defend against an almighty God who is mustering the forces of nature He has created to defeat you in battle.

You can shoot all the missiles you want..

You can fire all the warheads you want....

You can try to detect Him with radar....

You can try to fire your weapons up into the air....

But nothing will help you! You cannot attack Him and you cannot defend against Him.

When God lines Himself up in battle against your army, it is HOPELESS FOR YOU! There is nothing you can do but LOSE!

*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. (Ezekiel 38:23)*

This is no ordinary victory! This is no victory of Israeli weapons over Russian weapons! The victory that God promises is clearly a supernatural victory—and for one purpose: “... *they shall know that I am the LORD.*”

The deliverance of Israel will be so dramatic that God's handiwork in it will be UNDENIABLE! The heathens now who deny the existence of God will no longer be able to deny it!

No person in his right mind will be able to know of the incredible supernatural victory of Israel and deny that there is a

God!

No one will deny that God sent a massive, planet-shaking earthquake....

No one will deny that God turned Russian against Iraqi, Persian against Turk in the mountains of Israel....

No one will deny that God sent massive hailstones to defeat the enemy of Israel....

And CERTAINLY no one will deny that fire and sulfur streaming down from heaven was the finger of God intervening in the affairs of mankind!

The nations that bear unbridled animosity toward Israel now will treat God's chosen people with a new reverence (for a time) because of the clear presence of God in Israel!

God promises He will make an UNMISTAKABLE statement that He is God—and the nations of the world will listen!

This victory will be massive! Indeed, the victory will be so massive that:

*Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel: And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God. And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the LORD. (Ezekiel 39:1-6)*

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Is God here promising to send a nuclear war to Russia? Many have interpreted “fire on Magog” to be just that—a nuclear missile hitting Moscow with incredible devastation.

But read that verse closer... it also says “*and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles...*”

Some prophecy scholars have interpreted this passage as referring not to Russia, but to AMERICA!

Could this be referring to a Russian counterstrike against an American nuclear strike on Moscow?

It’s not farfetched....

America is Israel’s closest ally. If a massive coalition of armies descended upon Israel and began attacking, it is not unreasonable to assume America would use whatever methods were at her disposal to defend her ally.

It’s clear that America would not want to match toe-to-toe with Russia in a conventional war—Russia has upgraded its armed forces, while America has decimated its own into an anemic, tiny shadow of its former self.

America, in this desperate situation, might just be compelled to launch a nuclear strike against Russia—and suffer massive damage from a Russian retaliation!

Or, it could be the other way around.

My friend, prophecy scholar Chuck Missler, for years was on the board of companies that dealt exclusively with the U.S. government as military subcontractors.

Chuck said that every battle plan of the Russian military is predicated upon the element of surprise—Russia has not developed EVEN ONE strategy of war that assumes America attacks first—all of them are based upon the assumption that Russia launches a first

strike against America.

Could it be that Russia will launch a preemptive nuclear strike against America to keep America from interfering in the Russia/Israel war?

*So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel. Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this is the day whereof I have spoken. And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves, and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years: So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord God. (Ezekiel 39:7-10)*

The leftover machinery will be massive....

Tanks that are destroyed will sit in the mountains of Israel. Airplanes that have been shot down will rest in heaps in the hillsides.

Rifles, rocket launchers, automatic weapons, service revolvers, will all pepper the landscape.

But more importantly, many Russian bomber aircraft carry nuclear warheads.

These nuclear warheads are armed with nuclear material that has a specific shelf life.

Without getting too technical, suffice it to say the shelf life of a Russian nuclear warhead is calculated at seven years.

Partner, could it be that Israel will use the nuclear material from downed Russian missile warheads to run its nuclear generating

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plants for seven years? Could it be that the remains of Russia's offensive weapons will cause Israel to live in prosperity from the free nuclear fuel?

Also left in the mountains will be abandoned supply trucks, fuel tanks from approaching vehicles, solid jet fuel from abandoned or downed planes....

And the Bible says Israel will use these sources of fuel for seven years to power its nation.

*And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of Hamongog. And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land. Yea, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord God. And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search. And the passengers that pass through the land, when any seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamongog. (Ezekiel 39:1 1-15)*

This victory will be so massive, so incredible that only a sixth of the attacking armies will remain! That means for every six people who attack, only ONE WILL LIVE THROUGH IT! But even more intriguing is this:

God says that Israel will hire specially trained people to dispose of the bodies of the attacking armies—and that the cleanup will take seven months—and that this cleanup will “cleanse the land.”

Chuck Missler reports that this seven-month period of cleanup exactly matches the quarantine procedures for cleaning up nuclear



waste!

In addition, the Bible says that if someone sees remains of an attacker, they will be instructed NOT TO TOUCH IT! Instead, they will be required to set up some sort of marker, letting the professionals know where the remains are—so that those specially trained to deal with radioactive waste can properly dispose of the bodies!

Partner, this procedure as described in Ezekiel 39 is extremely reminiscent of the cleanup that would take place after a nuclear war—is Ezekiel trying to tell us that Israel will launch nuclear weapons against her enemies?

Could it be that the remains of the invading Russians are so tainted that even visitors to Israel will be instructed to avoid them at all costs, instead placing a marker and waiting for the professional clean-up crews to come and dispose of the body properly down wind from Israel in a valley named after the invading attackers?

Never before will the world have witnessed such a massive battle—and such a massive defeat! Never before will the world have seen such incredible devastation as God will wreak upon the invading armies of Gog and Magog!

Shockwaves will travel with incredible speed all over the world....

Nations will tremble in fear at the incredible works of God....

And something I have never seen discussed anywhere regarding this war is the fact that the entire world will watch it on television!

Our technology has never before been to such a degree that people sitting at home thousands of miles away are able to turn a channel and watch a war as it happens—directly in their living room.

Millions of people all over the world will watch with horror and

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amazement as God sovereignly delivers Israel from the hands of its Russian invaders!

Sitcoms will be interrupted....

Regular programming will be halted....

News broadcasters will sit, dumbfounded, with their mouths hanging open....

There is no script a television anchor could write to prepare them to have to deal with such an incredible event! They will be SPEECHLESS!

Never before will so many people have been able to witness such an incredible miracle first-hand....

They will not have to read in the papers that fire and brimstone came down from heaven on the attackers—they will see it!

They will not have to hear on the radio that the attackers turned on each other—they will witness it with their own eyes!

And millions all over the globe will come to a profound realization that the God of Israel is indeed the true God! And that He will not put up with someone touching the apple of His eye!

## Chapter 4

# The Great Deception?

The devil will not be able to stomach the idea of entire nations of the world believing in God, and possibly receiving the Gospel of Jesus Christ and being redeemed from their sins. He will do anything and everything he can to stop this from happening.

In fact, the Bible says:

*For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. (Matthew 24:24)*

Could the end of this world be just the opportunity the antichrist needs to ascend to the world scene?

After so many nations find their defeat at the hands of tiny Israel, nations will be scrambling all over themselves to make peace....

*And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate. (Daniel 9:27)*

The Bible prophesies that the antichrist will make a treaty with Israel for seven years, but that he will break that treaty halfway through the seven years.

Partner, this is frightfully similar to what the Muslim founder, Mohammed, did, and instructed his people to do.

Mohammed made a treaty with his enemies for the express

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purpose of causing his enemy to let down their guard. After a small amount of time, Mohammed rushed in with his soldiers and annihilated his unsuspecting enemy. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has many times over advocated this same kind of strategy against Israel.

And after the massive war of Gog and Magog, many nations will be searching for just such an opportunity—they will do anything to make peace with Israel so that Israel will let down her guard!

Could this be the perfect opportunity for the antichrist to come in with flowing promises of peace and make a treaty with Israel?

Another aspect of the antichrist deception that many prophecy teachers overlook is the false prophet. The false prophet is a key player in end times prophecy, but almost no one talks about him.

But the Book of Revelation tells us that the false prophet will:

- ◆ control religious affairs (13:11)
- ◆ promote the worship of the beast (13:12)
- ◆ perform signs and miracles (13:13)
- ◆ deceive the whole world (13:14)

Prophecy scholar Ed Hindson, in his book, *Is the Antichrist Alive and Well*, says:

The False Prophet is depicted in the Revelation as one who uses miraculous signs and wonders to deceive the world into worshipping the Antichrist... A century ago, Samuel Andrews argued that the work of the False Prophet will be to extend his ecclesiastical administration over the whole earth by establishing the church of the Antichrist as the counterfeit of the true church. Andrews viewed this apostate religion as being bound together by a common hatred of Christianity and being filled with demoniacal power.

The defeat of the Russian coalition will give the devil an

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opportunity to do his level best to ensure that he turns this humiliating defeat to his advantage.

He has been deceiving people for thousands of years, but this incredible defeat of Russia by the living God will convince many people that God is real—and that Jesus is the Messiah!

But the devil will do all he can.

*I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: he that acknowledged the Son hath the Father also. (1 John 2:21-23)*

The devil will seek to turn this defeat to his advantage, by using this opportunity to spread more of his lies....

According to prophecy scholar Perry Stone, the antichrist lie that will begin pouring out from the devil after the war of Gog and Magog could be something like this:

Sure, God exists, but He rescued the Jews, who don't believe in Jesus—therefore Jesus must not be the Messiah, or God wouldn't have rescued them!

Partner, what a subtle deception! What a powerful lie! Could it be that the devil will take a sovereign act of God, that He promised more than 3, 000 years ago, and turn it around into a deception that will actually draw people away from the truth?

Let's pause a bit to discuss the great deception that is coming. This deception cannot be a normal deception. It cannot be an overt lie, because Jesus said the deception would be convincing enough to even deceive the "very elect."

Such a lie would have to seem to be based in truth.

Such a lie would have to have almost undeniable proof behind

it.

This newfound belief in God, coupled with a disbelief in Christ based upon the lie of the false prophet would provide a catalyst for a new, Christian-hating world religion that would prepare the entire world for the ascension of the antichrist—a figure they could worship as messiah!

Many people, when they discuss the antichrist and his deceptions, repeat the same phrase: “I would never follow him; I would never believe his lie.”

But people who pridefully proclaim such a statement are clearly ignoring the Word of God that says the end times would bring a deception so powerful it would deceive even the greatest saints who ever lived—Paul, Peter, John, James, Jude....

This deception would engulf the entire world! What Better opportunity for the antichrist to recruit literally hundreds of millions—no, BILLIONS—of people into his new religion—the religious lie that the antichrist is the savior of the world....

That sort of deception, backed by a clearly sovereign move of God such as the defeat of Russia and its allies, would easily deceive even the most guarded Christians—if such a thing were possible.

Hatred of Christianity and Christians would reach unprecedented heights. For that tiny remnant who believed in Christ, the world would turn very hostile.

Those Christians would be blamed for centuries of “deception.” They would be blamed for “perverting” the “true” religion of God.

Christians would be held responsible for the Crusades....

But most importantly, since Adolph Hitler errantly claimed to be a Christian, the remaining Christians on the earth would be blamed for the Holocaust—and they would be hunted down and executed for their “crimes.”

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The Bible is clear that the antichrist will find himself sitting in the temple of God, claiming, indeed to be God:

*Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. (2 Thessalonians 2:4)*

That can never happen until the entire world is deceived. The world must be convinced that:

- ◆ there is indeed a God
- ◆ Jesus is not Messiah
- ◆ the antichrist is messiah

The lie of the devil will be powerful indeed, because it will be based upon an incredible miracle that God worked and the devil twisted to his advantage.

That, coupled with the false miracles of the false prophet, will be enough to convince the entire world to worship the beast.

But God will indeed have a remnant—a very VOCAL remnant:

*And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God. (Revelation 14:1-5)*

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*And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel. Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand. (Revelation 7:4-8)*

These 144,000 Jewish believers will stand against the lie of the antichrist. They will speak nothing but the truth: “... *And in their mouth was found no guile....*”

God will have a remnant who will not be deceived by the antichrist's lie.

As you have read this far into this book, you may have been thinking to yourself: “That all seems so far off...”

Don't let yourself be deceived; this war is NEAR, as you will read in the next chapter.



## Chapter 5

# The Time Is Upon Us

*And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass? And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them. But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. And it shall turn to you for a testimony. Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake But there shall not an hair of your head perish. In your patience possess ye your souls. And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath*

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*upon this people. And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. (Luke 21:7-28)*

Jesus prophesied that there would be wars and cold wars... We have seen in the last century the greatest wars in the history of mankind.

We have seen a massive war set off by the assassination of a Serbian official, World War I, that involved nearly every nation in the world, and took millions of lives....

We have seen a massive war set off by a predecessor of the antichrist, Adolf Hitler, where millions upon millions of lives were lost, and 12 million people—six million of them Jewish—were callously killed in concentration camps.

We have seen an incredible war where the world's two most powerful countries faced off in a tiny little isthmus named Korea....

Those two powers faced off again in a tiny little country named Vietnam....

We have seen a cold war escalate to where the entire world was nearly destroyed by nuclear weapons—during the Cuban missile crisis, war was only a hair's breadth from breaking out....

And in the last decade, we have seen war between the world's most powerful nations move into the Middle East—the land God

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prophesied that the War of Gog and Magog would take place in.

The Bible says this:

*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, 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.... (Ezekiel 38:11-12)*

My friend, prophecy scholar Grant Jeffrey, says this in his book *Prince of Darkness*:

Does this phrase “dwell safely” mean that Israel has found true lasting peace with her neighbors? In the light of the grim history of the Middle East during this century it is unlikely that Israel will disarm to any degree before the Messiah returns. Israel will remain an armed camp surrounded by enemies committed to her destruction until God changes the hearts of mankind. The phrase “dwell safely” may simply indicate that Israel will be living in an expectation that they will not be attacked at that time, perhaps because of the recent peace agreement with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

However, the study of Bible prophecy provides some insight into the ongoing peace negotiations. Ezekiel predicted that a future military leader of this Russian-Arab alliance will say “*I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates.*” For the last forty-five years Israel has not lived “safely.” However, this recent peace accord may create a false sense of security and safety over the next few years that will allow Israel to relax its defenses and “dwell safely.” This peace agreement may set the stage for the fulfillment of the great War of Gog and Magog.

This war most likely will occur after the signing of a peace accord....

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And as you probably know from watching the news, Israel seems to be in continuing negotiations with its neighbors to sign peace agreements.

Already, Jordan has signed and kept a peace agreement with Israel.

Egypt has signed an uncomfortable peace with Israel....

Saudi Arabia, filled with Sunni Muslims, is ever edging closer to peace with Israel....

The Palestinians are practically begging for peace with Israel.

But anyone who thinks for one moment that these Muslim nations actually desire peace has another thing coming! These nations are setting themselves up so they can invade a land that is “dwelling safely!”

The time of the fulfillment of this prophecy is upon us!

*But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.*

Is Jesus here prophesying about the war of Gog and Magog? He prophesies that wars and commotions will come... Nations will rise against nations, and kingdoms against kingdoms....

GREAT EARTHQUAKES will shake the DIVERSE PLACES!

Partner, I don't know of any clearer way to say earthquakes will shake the entire world!

Jesus also prophesies fearful sights and great signs from heaven! Could this be the hail, fire and brimstone God promised to rain upon the Russian coalition?

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But the interesting part of Jesus' prophecy is this: Don't be terrified—these things must happen first BUT THE END ISN'T YET!

Then He goes on to describe what will happen next:

*But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. And it shall turn to you for a testimony... And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake. But there shall not an hair of your head perish. In your patience possess ye your souls. And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.*

Here Jesus prophesies an incredible persecution of the Church! But it's interesting to note that He prophesies that immediately thereafter, Jerusalem will be surrounded by armies—armies that will destroy it!

Partner, the armies of the War of Gog and Magog DO NOT destroy Jerusalem! Therefore these things must take place AFTER that war!

Is Jesus speaking of a time of persecution that comes upon the Church after the war of Gog and Magog?

It's entirely possible that the great deception you read about in Chapter 4 is indeed this persecution Jesus prophesied about here!

*Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto... And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.*

Jesus speaks of a time AFTER the war of Gog and Magog when

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those in Israel will flee to the mountains....

But it is the end part of this incredible prophecy that I want to focus on:

*And when these things begin to come to pass....*

Partner, I believe Jesus is talking about the days we are living in! I believe we have already lived through the wars and rumors of wars, although those things will certainly increase in frequency and magnitude....

I believe we are living in the immediate time preceding the war of Gog and Magog, which Jesus speaks about later in the prophecy....

But Jesus told us to watch out for the time when these things BEGIN to come to pass....

Partner, that means Jesus wants us to pay attention to the times that are HAPPENING RIGHT NOW!

And why did He want us to pay attention to these times?

*... then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.*

The return of Jesus Christ is imminent!

We are the final generation living before the triumphant return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Even now, we should be on watch for Him to return! We should even now be preparing to meet with Him in the air.

But there is one sign yet to be fulfilled:

*And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.  
(Matthew 24:14)*

## Chapter 6

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The Gospel being preached to the entire world is the final sign before the return of Jesus Christ! There are no other signs that must be fulfilled.

And God has called you and me to be a part of the fulfillment of that final sign....

He has given us a solemn call—Mission to All the World! God spoke to me very plainly, and said, “Son, reach the entire world before the end of the year 2000!”

Partner, through your faithfulness, we have been successful so far in implementing that sacred call....

We have reached out to the millions of lost souls in the former Soviet empire! That was our VERY FIRST OUTREACH of Mission to All the World!

And the response was incredible!

*For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. (1 Corinthians 1: 18-21)*

We originally had planned for only 4,500 people to attend the Moscow meetings, but unexpectedly, 12,000 people came to receive

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the vision and the mandate and the anointing of God!

One 15-year-old boy traveled from his village all by himself so he could receive the Word of the living God!

Literally millions of people in Eurasia already are feeling the impact of this, the first regional outreach of Mission to All the World.

News of the great spiritual outpouring even appeared in the *Moscow Times* in which a Ukraine man reported to have seen the flames of the Holy Spirit descend on those who answered the altar call. The report said later when God led me to give the altar call, a wind began to blow, knocking people to the ground. In this manifestation, crowds of thousands who answered God's call fell like dominos in a spiritual chain reaction.

One minister said, "If this is any indication of what the remaining Mission to All the World meetings will bring, we are on the verge of the greatest revival the world has ever known."

As we preached in Moscow, we discovered that through the passage of a new anti-missionary bill there, Mission to All the World might very well be the last mass-evangelism crusade in Russia!

God is a God of timing!

And even more so, God's timing has led us to reach out to Israel and the Middle East in our last outreach of Mission to All the World!

As we go to fulfill God's call to us to reach the entire world before the end of the year 2000, we must understand the prophetic significance of the timing in which we are living.

We are fulfilling the final sign that must be fulfilled before the return of our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



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The final part of fulfilling that final sign will be our outreach in Jerusalem, Israel. Even now, we have crews who are laying the groundwork for our Mission to All the World Middle East launch in Jerusalem—and we don't have much time left before the end time prophetic events I've described in this book begin to unfold!

God has called this ministry to reach out to Israel. Beginning in 1967, God has used Morris Cerullo World Evangelism to reach out to the Jews.

From the tiniest first meetings we held in Israel until the incredible Messiah project where we distributed one million copies of *The Peace*, to every Jewish home in Israel to our latest TOP SECRET Israel project designed to reach every Jew on the face of the planet with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, God has used this ministry to reach out to Israel.

In February 1967, on an airport bus in South America, God said to me, "Son, now is the time to turn your eyes to the Middle East and begin to work for My people, Israel."

In September through October 1968, God led me to conduct our first mass mailing in Israel to 400,000 Jewish homes.

In November 1968, we conducted our historic Israel Deeper Life Conference in Jerusalem. One hundred fifty Jews received Jesus Christ as Messiah.

In 1969, the Bible Correspondence Course in Besorat Shalom was born with 2,000 seeking Jews enrolled.

In 1970, in our second mass mailing in Israel, 500,000 Jewish homes received the book, *Hear, O Israel*.

In 1971, in our third mass mailing in Israel, 500,000 Jewish homes received the book of Daniel in a new Hebrew translation for the first time in history.

In 1972, our weekly radio broadcast to Israel was initiated.

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These radio beams covered the entire nation of Israel.

In 1973 at the Second Israel Conference Hundreds of Jews gathered at the Baptist campgrounds to hear the Gospel.

In 1974 we held our third historic meeting in Israel; more than one hundred Jews stood, in a single service, to receive Jesus as their Messiah.

From 1975 to 1976 our *Masada* TV special, a powerfully anointed special directed to the Jewish audience, was broadcast. Literally 200,000 responded to this single outreach. Many Jews in Israel today saw this special, while living in North America.

In 1977, a total of 3,200,000 copies of *Two Men from Eden* were mailed to Jewish homes in North America. More than 10,000 Jews have responded, asking Jesus to be their Messiah.

In 1979, *Two Men from Eden* was translated into Spanish, French, German, Portuguese, and Hebrew.

In 1980, The Year of the Jew, more than 25,000 copies of this world-famous book, *Two Men from Eden*, were mailed to strategic homes throughout Israel as a test to confirm that we could actually pull off this spiritual strategy.

In 1981 we hosted a TV Special: *Sound of Trumpets!*, Forty TV segments were filmed on historic sites throughout the nation of Israel and shown throughout North America.

In 1982, *Advent II*, a dynamic end time prophecy film aired on television in major cities in North America.

In November 1985, our Historic Global Satellite Network was broadcast from Mt. Meggido throughout the world.

From 1988 to 1989, we distributed 150,000 copies of *Two Men from Eden* in Israel.

In 1990, we held our First Inaugural International School of

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Ministry in Israel; four hundred were in attendance.

In 1992, through the European Super Channel, we began reaching more than 100,000 Jewish homes in Israel with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

In 1993, Messianic Training Centers were established across the land of Israel to train believing Jews to reach all of Israel—the *Victory Miracle Living* magazine was translated into Hebrew.

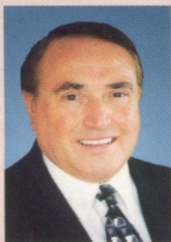
In 1994, we launched *Victory* Television in Israel with Arab subtitles! We mailed a follow-up Bible course to 13,000 Israel Jews for evangelistic training. We conducted a live *Proof Producers* meeting in Tel Aviv.

And finally, in 1996, One Million Jewish Homes received the book, *The Peace* in Hebrew!

This ministry has long been called to reach the Jews, and we are right now in the planning stages of the next, and most expansive outreach project to the Jews in history!

Thank you for your prayers and your financial support!

God bless you.



## **Dr. Morris Cerullo, President Morris Cerullo World Evangelism**

Morris Cerullo's accreditation for spiritual teaching is, in itself, quite formidable: seven years under Jewish rabbis in a Jewish Orthodox orphanage...a divine, supernatural call from God to preach and evangelize when he was 15 years old...graduation from New England Bible College...half a century of experience as a pastor, teacher, author and worldwide evangelist. Many honors have been bestowed

on Morris Cerullo, including honorary doctorates of Divinity and Humanities, both by academic and spiritual leaders around the world in recognition of his achievements and contributions to global evangelization. Dr. Cerullo is respected and looked upon by thousands of Nationals as God's end time apostolic prophet to the nations of the world. Dr. Cerullo's ministry outreaches include:

### **Mission To All The World**

– reaching the entire world region by region with major regional Schools of Ministry, miracle crusades, major television prime time specials and local Schools of Ministry designed to cover every village, city and town in every region!

### **Schools of Ministry**

– training National pastors, ministers and laypeople to reach their nations for Christ through mass evangelistic crusades.

### **Global Satellite Network Schools of Ministry**

– monthly, ongoing training for National ministers worldwide, via television satellite broadcasts.

### **Victory Miracle Living**

– a 48-page, monthly study manual presenting revelational truths from the Bible to equip God's Victorious Army.

### **Jewish World Outreach**

– a Messianic Jewish outreach ministry to Israel and to Jews worldwide to reach every Jew with the message of the Messiah.

### **Victory Television**

– cutting edge daily television programming designed to strengthen the Body of Christ to reach the entire world.

### **The New Inspirational Television Network**

– the 24-hour Christian satellite television network that provides Christian programming to the entire North American continent, with an ever-expanding outreach toward linking the world via satellite television.

Dr. Cerullo has also authored more than 50 books. Few ministers have had such an impact on the destiny of the nations of the world. Morris Cerullo's life has been sacrificially dedicated to training and spiritually equipping pastors, laypeople and evangelists to reach their nations for Christ with a supernatural endowment of God's Power.