

WE MUST WATCH AND BE READY

November 15th Class

Choose This Day, For His Return is Nigh at Hand
(A Continued Look at the Signs of the Times)



D&C 108:9c And the Lord shall be red in his apparel,
and his garments like him that treadeth the wine vat.

Several years ago, while watching a television presentation on the Temple Institute in Jerusalem, which is reproducing the temple garments and utensils, I was strongly impressed upon by the Spirit of God that we needed to be preparing spiritually for the second coming of Christ. The Jews, although misguided, were dedicated and diligent in preparing for what they believe will be the first appearance of their Messiah. We have been instructed to prepare for the second coming of Christ.

D&C 108:2a-5d

2a Wherefore prepare ye, prepare ye, O my people; sanctify yourselves; gather ye together, O ye people of my church, upon the land of Zion, all you that have not been commanded to tarry . . . 5d Wherefore, prepare ye for the coming of the Bridegroom; go ye, go ye out to meet him, for, behold, he shall stand upon the Mount of Olivet, and upon the mighty ocean, even the great deep, and upon the islands of the sea, and upon the land of Zion.

It's Time to Prepare

- Zion is to Prepare Spiritually
- **Sec.28:2d** wherefore the decree hath gone forth from the Father that they shall be gathered in unto one place, upon the face of this land, to prepare their hearts, and be prepared in all things, against the day when tribulation and desolation are sent forth upon the wicked;

Temple Institute = They are reproducing the temple utensils= preparing physically for the Messiah



Judith Abrahams Weaver of the High Priest Robes



- Making history and fulfilling prophecy all at the same time, five perfectly red heifers have arrived in Israel, all the way from Texas, with love! What a great way to close out the Hebrew year which starts Sunday evening – Rosh Hashana! ...
- The five heifers that arrived were the only ones they managed to find, which demonstrates the creature's rarity and uniqueness.
- "It's very rare. There hasn't been a red cow here for 2,000 years, and we managed to find several.
- Having a 'red heifer' looks to be a factor in certain prophesied events moving forward in Israel.

The Red Heifer

- Tradition suggests that the birth of a kosher red heifer signals the arrival of the Messiah.



Used to Collect the Passover Blood



The small *mizrah* was used to collect the blood of the Passover offerings being made by festival pilgrims in the Temple's inner courtyard. Two rows of *lulavim* formed. In one row they used a silver *mizrah*, in the other, a golden *mizrah*. They passed the blood-filled *mizrah* from one *kohen* to the next. When the *mizrah* reached the final *kohen*, standing closest to the altar, he would dash the blood against the altar, in accordance with the Torah commandment.



They Will Weep and Mourn

DC 45

9a And then shall the Jews look upon me and say, What are these wounds in thy hands, and in thy feet?

9b Then shall they know that I am the Lord; for I will say unto them, These wounds are the wounds with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

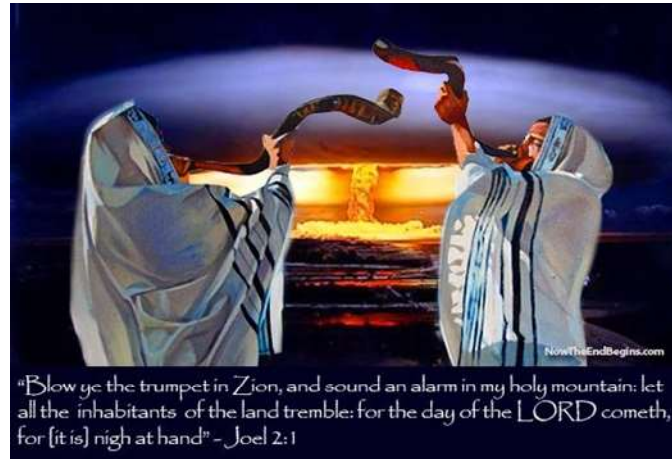
9c I am he who was lifted up. I am Jesus that was crucified. I am the Son of God.

9d And then shall they weep because of their iniquities; then shall they lament because they persecuted their King.

What if We Miss Our Opportunity



What If We Were As Dedicated to Preparing Spiritually



If We Would Dedicate Ourselves to the Spiritual Preparation Needed = Zion Would Quickly Be Manifested

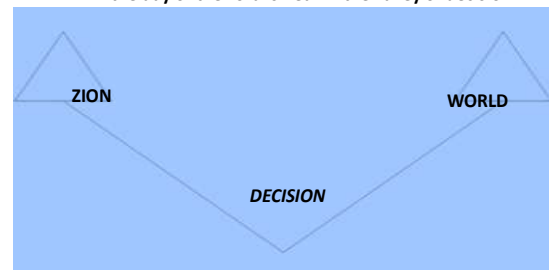
Kirtland Message: I have sufficient to fulfill my promise of Zion. **But what is lacking is the spiritual condition required of you for Zion to come forth**



Prophecy

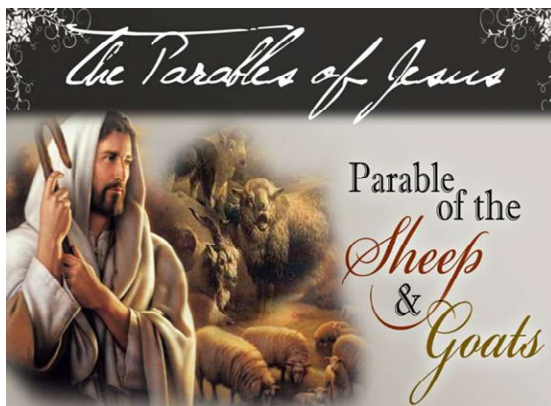
will help us make better decisions

Joel 3:14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision; for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.



You can not keep one foot in each

Parables to Help Us Choose Correctly



Which Will You Choose???

PARABLE OF THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS
1 - OVERVIEW

God has no Grandchildren. He only has Children.

Will you be counted among the sheep - his Children?

ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE GATHERED BEFORE HIM, AND HE WILL SEPARATE THE PEOPLE ONE FROM ANOTHER AS A SHEPHERD SEPARATES THE SHEEP FROM THE GOATS. MATT. 25:32

Sheep = Most of us are aware that a sheep is an excellent dry-weather animal, but we may be unaware that a sheep can go for months (apply this to your own Bible study and imbibing of God's way) without ever taking a drink of water from a pool, if one condition is met: that it is up early enough to eat the grass in the morning when the dew is still on it.

Goats = They are very agile, independent, and curious. They can entirely survive in freedom, adapting to the environment without the need of a shepherd. As goats were associated with the occult, they came to be associated with evil.

Sheep = Have a “gregarious” instinct (group mentality). A sheep separated from its flock will be very agitated and nervous and, as a result, may die. They need a shepherd.

Ultimately, it all comes down to diet. Sheep and goats eat very differently. Sheep are known for grazing. They eat vegetation like green grass and other grasses, and when they eat, they eat at ground level, including roots. They eat what is rich in nutrients. They are more careful in what they consume. Goats eat all kinds of things: leaves, twigs, shrubs, hawthorns, even long underwear off the clothes line etc. They eat what is present on the surface, and although they are not discreet in their eating habits, which may seem like an advantage, it turns out to be a disadvantage, because much of what they consume is low in nutrients and potentially contains chemical substances applied by man and can prove deadly to them.

The Sheep Follow the Shepherd

The Christians who are the true sheep: **will make themselves known by their love of the Shepherd, and they will follow Him.**

They rejoice in the knowledge that they have feasted on the Word of God not just junk food from the world.

They have formed a deep intimacy with Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd. They love Him and love their neighbors as themselves.

They have not gone their own way. They seek to be His hands and feet upon the earth. They have the true love of Christ in their hearts for others, especially the poor and the needy.



Ultimately goats & sheep are both judged by their fruits “Actions” if they have loved God and Loved others and put that love into action in their daily lives, they will be accounted as sheep.

If they ministered to the least of these in society, the poor, the needy, the sick and afflicted etc. then they will be accounted as sheep, if not they will be put with the goats who go into everlasting fire with the Devil and his angels.

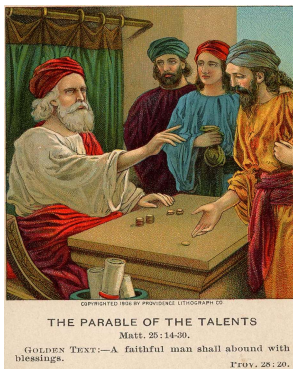
You Must Choose

Are You a Sheep or a Goat?

Jesus will separate the sheep from the goats

- Only two options: sheep or goat.
- Sheep represent the righteous.
- Goats include murderers, drunkards, adulterers, sexually immoral, liars, homosexuals, etc.
- Goats also include those who simply play at being a Christian

What Have You Done With Your Talent



- The parable of the talents meaning: **Is that Jesus is coming back. It might seem like he's delayed. Not coming back. But he is.** One day the king will return, and we will be held accountable for how we used what God has given us.
- Statement = **"to each according to his own ability."** This leads to ask the simple question: **what has God given you to do? What is your role and expectation in the kingdom?**

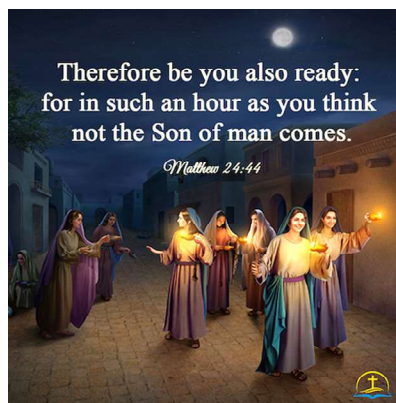
The Wise Took Oil in Their Vessels with Their Lamp



God Speaks to Us Today= Karl Anderson was preparing to preach= The Lord said = I am calling my people to a Vigil

- Karl asked= **why are you calling your people to this vigil**

I am about to fulfill the parable of the 10 virgins



Called to Keep a Vigil

Through Karl, God counseled us that we are to keep a Vigil and that we are in the time of the parable of the 10 virgins

Need Oil in Your Lamp
Plus Extra Oil



Peter used the word
Word Vigilant =
Awake, Like a Soldier
on Duty

I Peter 5:4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.....**Be sober, be vigilant**

Recent Kirtland Message

I say unto you, listen to me, There are two stewardships that will ensure success if you will listen to me.

1. As the five wise virgins did into the parable of the last days, 'Gather and sanctify your oil, before the cry at midnight'. Prepare yourself through scripture, prayer, fasting, and humble service. You must take the Holy Spirit as a guide in all things that you do in your life.



Kirtland Message = For Us Right NOW

Do Not Tarry in these things, like the unwise virgins. You are not adequately prepared for what is to come upon the world in the next two years. How long must I wait? I have given you 40 years.

If you heed these words you will marvel at the protection that I will give you. This I did in the journey to the Promised Land in the days of Moses. You will receive daily manna. I am the Bread.

The church will flourish. I will show you power from on High, but only if you will listen to me and come together in My spirit.

I am pleased that you have gathered into my presence, now go forth as one.

Sec. 28 Continued

4c and it shall come to pass, because of the wickedness of the world, that I will take vengeance upon the wicked, for they will not repent; for the cup of mine indignation is full; for, behold, my blood shall not cleanse them if they hear me not.

5a Wherefore, I, the Lord God, will send forth flies upon the face of the earth, which shall take hold of the inhabitants thereof, and shall eat their flesh, and shall cause maggots to come in upon them,



Kirtland Message Continued

2. Be willing to remove all barriers and hindrances to the achievement of Zion. You must become one. This would include the groups and associations you have formed, and the responsibilities that you carry. Needful things will be restored. All else is inconsequential.

I will give you two years to implement these stewardships. Then, if you are obedient, I will give you the things which are to follow.

You are not adequately prepared for what is to come upon the world in the next two years.

Signs of the Times

Sec. 28:4a But, behold, I say unto you, that before this great day shall come, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall be turned into blood, and the stars shall fall from heaven;

4b and there shall be greater signs in heaven above, and in the earth beneath; and there shall be weeping and wailing among the hosts of men; and there shall be a great hailstorm sent forth to destroy the crops of the earth;

This is Nuclear

5b and their tongues shall be stayed that they shall not utter against me, and their flesh shall fall from off their bones, and their eyes from their sockets;



Doomsday Clock = The clock's original setting in 1947 was seven minutes to midnight.

It has since been set backward eight times and forward 16 times

The main factors influencing the clock are nuclear risk

On January 23, 2020, the Clock was moved further, to 100 seconds (1 minute 40 seconds) before midnight, meaning that the Clock's current setting is the closest it has ever been to midnight since its inception in 1947.

Joshua Shiffrin, Associate Professor of International Relations at the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies at Boston University, comments on if we are close to World War 3: World War 1 and World War 2 actually began with localized conflicts between regional major powers and minor powers. World War 2 arguably began when Germany invaded Poland and other countries came to Poland's defense. What is happening today is a tragedy of almost unparalleled proportions in modern Europe. Other nations are working hard to not escalate the war. Obviously, we're a bit closer to World War 3 than we were last year before Russia invaded Ukraine. And I still think we're still several steps away from something akin to World War 1 or World War 2.

Thomas Lonely Wolf is the director of The DEFCON Warning System, a private enterprise which monitors world events and assesses nuclear threats. He says: Just be prepared.

Wars and Rumors of War

The President has stated we are close to World War Three



Iran Threatens Israel



Three Major Leaders Coming together Iran, Turkey and Russia



Russia Ukraine War



China Threatening Taiwan



Wars and Rumors of War

- August of 2022 Iran Threatens to Destroy New York City



- North Korea



Speaking of Putin and the Ukraine War, Retired Admiral Mike Mullens said this:

Retired Adm. Mike Mullen joint chief of staff
for President George Bush & Barrack Obama



2 Timothy 3:1 This know also, that in the last
days perilous times shall come.



Sec. 28 Continued

5c and it shall come to pass that the beasts of
the forest and the fowls of the air shall devour
them up; and the great and abominable church,
which is the whore of all the earth, shall be cast
down by devouring fire,

according as it is spoken by the mouth of
Ezekiel the prophet, which spoke of these
things, which have not come to pass, but surely
must, as I live, for abomination shall not reign.

How Oft Have I Called To You

Sec.43:6c How oft have I called
upon you by the mouth of my
servants, and by the ministering of
angels, and by mine own voice, and
by the voice of thunders, and by
the voice of lightnings, and by the
voice of tempests, and by the voice
of earthquakes, and great
hailstorms, and by the voice of
famines and pestilences of every
kind, and by the great sound of a
trump, and by the voice of
judgment, and by the voice of
mercy all the day long, and by the
voice of glory and honor, and the
riches of eternal life, and would
have saved you with an everlasting
salvation, but ye would not?



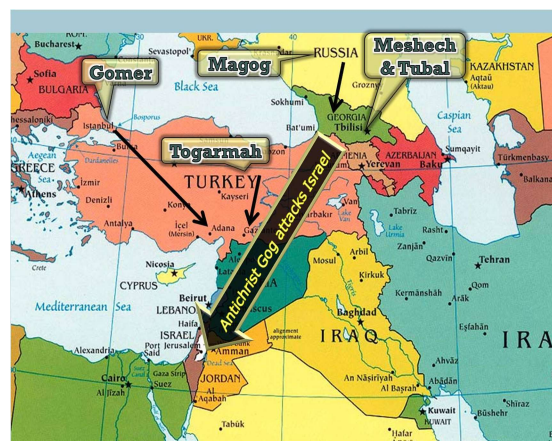
Nations of Ezekiel 38 = Handout From Spring 2020 Lesson #4 = Zion the Beautiful

The Ancient Nations

The land of Magog
Meshech and Tubal
Persia
Ethiopia
Libya
Ashkenaz
Gomer
Togarmah
"Many peoples with thee"

Modern Nations

Russia
Somewhere in Russia
Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan
Ethiopia and Sudan
Libya
Austria and Germany
Eastern Europe
Southeastern Europe- Turkey
Various other nations allied to
Russia



March 2020, Lesson #4
Zion the Beautiful Beckons Us On Ezekiel 38-39 (1)
A War Unlike Any Other War in World History

The Bible tells us that in the End Times, there will be another "world war," and it will be led by Russia, Iran, and a group of other nations that surround the nation of Israel. We find this prophecy in the 38th chapter of the book of Ezekiel:

Ezekiel 38:1 And the Word of the Lord came unto me, saying,
38:2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,
38:3 And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal;
38:4 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;
38:5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet;
38:6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands; and many people with thee....
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.
38:9 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.

The Nations of Ezekiel 38:1-6	
The Ancient Nations	The Modern Nations
The land of Magog Meshech and Tubal Persia Ethiopia Libya Ashkenaz Gomer Togarmah "Many peoples with thee"	Russia Somewhere in Russia Iran, Iraq, Afghanistan Ethiopia and Sudan Libya Austria and Germany Eastern Europe Southeastern Europe - Turkey Various other nations allied to Russia

While there is slight debate among bible scholars, the above list represents the best consensus of the identity of the nations in Ezekiel 38. Suffice it to say that the main players, of which there is no doubt, are Russia, Iran, Turkey, Libya and Ethiopia. Now if we were living in the End Times, there would have to be a growing union between the biggest players in this group.

March 2020, Lesson #4 Zion the Beautiful Beckons Us On Ezekiel 38-39 (2)

A War Unlike Any Other War in World History

A quick look at some recent headlines tells us this:

- Russia, the biggest End Times player, **has already helped Iran build a nuclear reactor**
- Iran has repeated over and over their desire **to wipe Israel off the map**
- Iran now has **nuclear weapons capable of reaching Israel**

What's very interesting to note here is that for the first time in 2,500 years, Russia and Iran are now working together, as partners. This event is unique in world history. Prior to this period, the nations have been at odds with each other, as follows: "Historical ties between Iran and Russia have often been contentious. For many centuries their competing drives for influence on a volatile frontier and the southward projection of Russian-based dynasties have troubled relations between the two countries. Iran lost significant swaths of territory to imperial Russia in the 19th century and suffered from Russian competition with other foreign powers to carve spheres of influence in Iran in the first half of the last century. During the Cold War, Russian-Iranian relations were influenced by the worldwide alignment of forces in a bipolar geopolitical setting. Iran, allied with the West, faced its Soviet neighbor across the East-West ideological standoff."

And yet, miraculously, in just the last 10 years or so, Russia and Iran are now buddy-buddy, with all the nuclear know-how of Russia being used to create a nuclear Iran. You will also take note that when any nation attempts to sanction Iran for all the tricks they pull it is always Russia, and China, that side with Iran against everyone else.

We are watching Bible prophecy come true in our lifetime, seeing the results each and every day in the headlines, and yet we cannot seem to either put all the pieces together, or believe that the Bible foretold all this.

About that God says this: "**Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.**" Acts 13:40, 41

March 2020, Lesson #4
Zion the Beautiful Beckons Us On Ezekiel 38-39 (3)
A War Unlike Any Other War in World History

The Everlasting Hatred

You will also note that the vast majority of the nations in Ezekiel's list have one huge, glaring thing in common with each other—they are all Muslim nations. In [Ezekiel 38:10](#) it says: “At the Same Time” which shows a transition, or a new idea—an evil thought—to also go to the land of “unwalled villages” which is America!

America has Always Been a Land of Unwalled Villages

[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;

[38:11](#) 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,

[38:12](#) 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.

[38:13](#) 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?

Transition Back: In verse 14 we see a transition back to Israel, “Therefore, son of man, prophecy.”

[Ezekiel 38:14](#) Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

[38:15](#) And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, and great company, and a mighty army; ...

[38:18](#) 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.

[38:19](#) 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;

[38:20](#) 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.

[38:21](#) 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.

[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.

[38:23](#) 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.

March 2020, Lesson #4

Zion the Beautiful Beckons Us On Ezekiel 38-39 (4)

Ezekiel 39 Sounds Like Atomic War: War is World-Wide, Even to the Isles of the Sea

Ezekiel 39:1 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;

39:2 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;

39:3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

39:4 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.

39:5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field; for I have spoken it, saith the Lord God.

39:6 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. ...

39:17 And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord God; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh and drink blood.

39:18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

39:19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

39:20 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord God.

39:21 And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them.

39:22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God from that day and forward.

Nuclear War Described in Doctrine & Covenants, Section 28

D&C 28:4a But, behold, I say unto you, that before this great day shall come, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall be turned into blood, and the stars shall fall from heaven;

28:4b and there shall be greater signs in heaven above, and in the earth beneath; and there shall be weeping and wailing among the hosts of men; and there shall be a great hailstorm sent forth to destroy the crops of the earth;

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The Plague = Nuclear

Zechariah 14:12-14 14:12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the Lord will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; **Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.**



14:13 And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from the Lord shall be among them; **and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbor.**



Jeremiah Saw Into Our Day also

Jeremiah 49:31-49

Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care, saith the Lord, which have neither gates nor bars, which dwell alone.

- **Historically**
> Iran was called 'Elam' in Scripture for much of its time, until in 549 BC it became 'Persia',
- when Cyrus the Great made the Babylonian and Medo-Persian empires into one nation of Persia.

49: 39 In the Latter days

- **Elam is Iran**

2013 Iran took over the plant from Russia

Right now Elam/Iran is a fierce enemy of Israel and wants to wipe Israel off the map. **Literally, a nuclear reactor sits in Elam for the purpose of destroying Israel. Elam is Israel's most dangerous enemy.**

Jun 12,2022 **Iran remains roughly a year away from manufacturing a nuclear weapon,**



January 2022 **=The Biden administration has warned that Iran is on the brink of producing enough fuel for a nuclear bomb.**

Fierce Judgment on Elam/Iran

Jeremiah 49 records in verse 35 that God is going to break the bow of Elam which means its military power.

In verse 36, the prophet states, **"And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven..."** {This is the first time the term "Four winds" is used in the Bible. Later the Prophet Daniel uses this expression} .

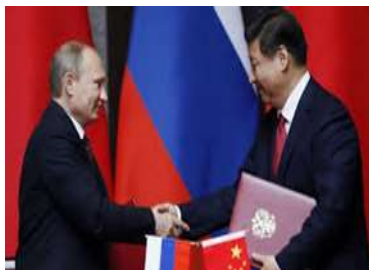
It means fierce judgment. God is going to bring judgment from every angle and drive them off the land. A special judgment is decreed against Elam.

In verse 38, God is going to set His throne in Elam.

It appears that this verse is indicating that God's authority will be over Elam.

Kings of the East

Putin and China Come Together



**Russia, Iran and Turkey
All 3 Now Working Together**



Kings of the East

- [Revelation 16:12](#)
And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, **that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.** = China
- The government of Turkey has constructed the huge Ataturk Dam that can now dam up the waters
- of the Euphrates for the first time in history



China Has Built a Highway

The prophet John foretold a future military highway across Asia that would allow this astonishing army to march toward the final battle in Israel.

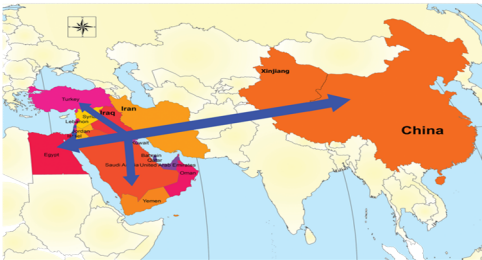
John describes the building of this highway in these words: "**The way of the kings of the east might be prepared**" (Revelation 16:12)

The Chinese government has spent enormous sums and expanded the lives of hundreds of thousands of construction workers building a military super-highway across Asia heading directly toward Israel.

What of This Port

China Moving Into Middle East

Map 1: The China-Middle East Connections



Source: Produced by Mustafa Ibraheem.

The port of Gwadar, on Pakistan's Makran coastline near the Strait of Hormuz, **is owned and operated by a Chinese firm.**

Foreign analysts often consider the long-suffering commercial venture **= to be a likely site for the next People's Liberation Army (PLA) overseas base.**

Gwadar Port in Pakistan Owned By China



Great Shaking Coming = It's About Giving Birth To His Kingdom

- Sec. 36: 12e and the heavens shall shake, and also the earth; and great tribulations shall be among the children of men, **but my people will I preserve; and righteousness will I send down out of heaven;**
- **and truth will I send**
- **forth out of the earth,**
- **to bear testimony**
- **of my Only Begotten;**



Built through Obedience or Suffering?

Sec. 102:2c and Zion cannot be built up unless it is by the principles of the law of the celestial kingdom, otherwise I cannot receive her unto myself;

Sec. 102:2d and my people must needs be chastened until they learn obedience, if it must needs be, by the things which they suffer.

Sec. 45 Tells us = Before the Day of The Lord What Will Happen

Sec. 45: 8b and the heavens also shall shake, and the Lord shall utter his voice and all the ends of the earth shall hear it, and the nations of the earth shall mourn,

8c and they that have laughed shall see their folly, and calamity shall cover the mocker, and the scorner shall be consumed, and they that have watched for iniquity, shall be hewn down and cast into the fire.....

Speaking of the Last Days God Assures Us Again of His Watch Care and Protection

Sec. 49: 4b wherefore be not deceived, but continue in steadfastness, looking forth for the heavens to be shaken; and the earth to tremble, and to reel to and fro as a drunken man.....

5d behold, I will go before you, and be your rearward; and I will be in your midst, and you shall not be confounded;
behold, I am Jesus Christ, and I come quickly.
Even so. Amen.



What More Can We Expect



The Lord comes as a Thief in the Night

Luke 12:39 - Luke 12:49

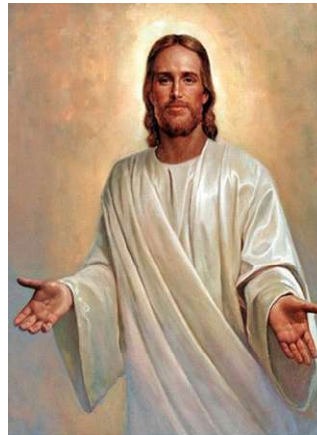
40 Verily I say unto you, Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching; for he shall gird himself, and make them sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

41 For, behold, he cometh in the first watch of the night, and he shall also come in the second watch, and again he shall come in the third watch.

42 And verily I say unto you, He hath already come, as it is written of him; and again when he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, blessed are those servants when he cometh, that he shall find so doing;

43 For the Lord of those servants shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

44 And now, verily I say these things unto you, that ye may know this, that the coming of the Lord is as a thief in the night.



A Great Missionary Force to go out into the World

Revelation of St. John

Revelation 7:2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and I heard him cry with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

7:3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

7:4 And the number of them who were sealed, were an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Joseph Smith's received the following

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What are we to understand by sealing the one hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel, twelve thousand out of every tribe?

We are to understand that those who are sealed are high priests, ordained unto the holy order of God, to administer the everlasting gospel;

for they are they who are ordained out of every nation, kindred, tongue and people, by the angels to whom is given power over the nations of the earth, to bring as many as will come, to the church of the first born.

The Great Communion Service

Who Will Be There

D.C.26: 2a Behold, this is wisdom in me; wherefore marvel not, for the hour cometh that I will drink of the fruit of the vine with you on the earth, and with Moroni, whom I have sent unto you to reveal the Book of Mormon, containing the fullness of my everlasting gospel; also John the son of Zacharias... also Elijah.

..... also with Joseph, and Jacob, and Isaac, and Abraham, your fathers; by whom the promises remain; and also with Michael, or Adam, the father of all, the prince of all, the ancient of days. Also with Peter, and James and John....

purpose = gather things together both in heaven & earth



Zenos's Parable

Lord will use both human & angelic servants to assist Him

The Lord to Labor with Them

Jacob 3:137-140 3:137 And the Lord of the vineyard said unto them, Go to and labor in the vineyard, with your mights.

3:138 For behold, this is the last time that I shall nourish my vineyard: for the end is nigh at hand, and the season speedily cometh;.....

....
3:140 And it came to pass that the servants did go, and labor with their mights; and the Lord of the vineyard labored also with them; and they did obey the commandments of the Lord of the vineyard, in all things.

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I walked onward, weighed down as it were unto death. When I could endure it no longer, I cried out aloud, saying: O Lord, in the name of Jesus Christ I pray thee, show me what these things mean, and what I shall say to thy people! On a sudden the Spirit of God came upon me, and filled my heart with joy and gladness indescribable; and while the Spirit of revelation glowed in my bosom with as visible a warmth and gladness as if it were fire, the Spirit said unto me: "Lift up your head and rejoice; for, behold, it is well with my servants Joseph and Hyrum! My servant Joseph still holds the keys of my kingdom in this dispensation, and he shall stand in due time on the earth, in the flesh, and fulfill that to which he is appointed.

Sec. 102 = Great Endowment & Blessings

Sec. 102:3e for,
behold, **I have
prepared a great
endowment and
blessing to be poured
out upon them,**
inasmuch as they are
faithful, and continue
in humility before me;



City Hastened In it's Time

DC 118:1a **I will hasten my
work in its time.**

Isaiah 60:22 **I the Lord will
hasten it in my time.**



Are You Prepared ???

DC 85:20-22 85:20a **Behold, I
will hasten my work in its time;**
and I give unto you who are
the first laborers in this last
kingdom, a commandment,
that you assemble yourselves
together, and organize
yourselves, and prepare
yourselves; and sanctify
yourselves;
85:20b yea, purify your hearts,
and cleanse your hands and
your feet before me, that I may
make you clean;

Time for Us to Rise Up

Rise Up, O Church Of God

Rise up, O Church of God!
Have done with lesser things;
Give heart and mind and soul
and strength
To serve the King of kings.