

GOD AMONG THE NATIONS #3

Review: we have learned : the safest place in all the world is the will of God.

God has relationships with nations like people.

We are at the beginning of sorrows leading to the end

God reveals the future of Israel, Europe, Syria ...and

Today we will look at Russia and America.

I. Russia - Gog and Magog

EZE 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,

EZE 38:3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I [am] against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

- Gog - the leader of Russia
- Magog - the land of Russia
- Meshech - Moscow

Russia will be involved in 3 battles and will lose all of them.

- Defeated in Eze 38,39 by the rising antichrist.

It could be that this battle causes the 7 year peace pack that begins the tribulations because it is so fierce that it takes 7 years to bury the dead.

- Antichrist will bring Russia down to Armageddon along with other nations of the north, east, and south. He has conquered them and prepares for battle with Christ.
- At the end of the millennial reign of Christ. They are destroyed by fire. Rev. 20 8,9

Nothing is said in Daniel or Revelation about the west! Let's look at America in light of the word.

II. America

A. Our birth

1. By people seeking freedom from tyrants. We are a people of choice.
2. By people who had religious freedom.
3. Established our laws on Judao-Christan values. A people of law. (10) commandments as its basis.

B. Compare the temple to America

1. The tabernacle could only be entered from the east - so was America.
2. Brazen laver – judgment - we through war had freedom.
3. Laver of water - rivers come together to make the Mississippi our largest river.
4. Morah - lighted candle of oil - Okla., Tex. Bombing with oil fields.
5. Table of shewbread - above it would be the bread basket - Kansas, Nebraska, North and

South Dakota, these are our wheat producing states.

6. Golden altar - Mts. Of Colorado in 1850, gold rush.
7. Barrier – curtain – Rocky Mountains
8. Most holy place - ark made of gold - Gold rush

This pattern does not fit any other nation in the world.

We are not the new Israel; we are a nation on whom God has had His hand.

C. America was the first to recognize the state of Israel.

We have been blessed because we have blessed Israel.

D. America has taken the lead to spread the gospel around the world.

E. America a nation on the verge of darkness.

Our warning:<>

#11 associated with the WTC bombing.

- They day of the attack: 11
- The date of the attack, Sept. 11 or 9/11= $9+1+1=11$
- 911 is our emergency number $9+1+1=11$
- Sept 11th is the 254th day of the year: $2+5+4=11$
- After Sept 11 we have 111 remaining for the end of the year.
- 119 is the area code for Iran and Iraq $1+1+9=11$
- The first plane to hit one the buildings was flight 11
- The state of New York was the 11th Sate to join the Union
- New York City=11 letters
- Afganistan=11 letters
- The Pentagon =11 letters
- Flight 11 had 92 passengers, $9+2=11$
- Flight 77 has 65 passengers, $6+5+11$
- Twin Towers look like 11
- Twin towers had 110 floors

Is there a deeper meaning for the number 11? In the Bible it is very common to find it associated with Judgment.

Bible numbers I feel are just as inspired as any of it.

- III. Gen 4:11 First judgment after the fall- Cain kills able God pronounces a curse.
- IV. Gen 7:11 Noah's flood
- V.
- VI. Gen 11:7 judgment of the Tower of Babel
- VII. Gen 19:11 Judgment of Sodom

VIII. Num 13:32 judgment of Israel- 11 men brought up an evil report of the land they had searched. The promised land.

IX. The 11th book of the Bible, the 11th chapter and 11th verse. Judgment of Solomon.

1 Kings 11:11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.

God perhaps is telling America this is a time of judgment.

Is America in the Bible.- I think we could be in 2 instances. One a slight reference

Referred to as the "young lions "

It appears that we will not protect Israel. If we don't we will suffer for it.

EZE 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?

Note: If we are "the young lions" (Great Britain and America) we don't get involved, we only ask 'are you come to take a spoil" to Russia?

It is because we are broke? Does the European market overtake us?

Will we be in such shambles militarily that we don't want to risk involvement?

Will there be such turmoil in our country that we become self-absorbed?

The other reference is in Isaiah 18

ISA 18:1 Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which [is] beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

ISA 18:2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters, [saying], Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers have spoiled!

. "Shadowing with wings" - eagle our national symbol.

A. "Beyond Ethiopia" - at that time nothing known west of Africa.

It would be North and South America.

B. "Go to a nation scattered and peeled" ...

We influence other nations. UN building is in U.S. Other nations send their future leaders to America to be educated.

NIV " v 2 *A people o feared far and wide, an aggressive nation of strange speech "*

C. "*a nation meted out and trodden down*" - We surveyed our land, divided it into 50 states and territories .

D. NIV "*whose land is divided by rivers*"

We have 20,000 miles of river frontage, transportation, energy plants, and irrigation systems.

E. NIV "*a people tall and smooth skinned*" - We are larger than other races on average.

Will we become a sign to the world?

ISA 18:3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.

"ensign" NIV "a banner" - to be looked upon.

What is God going to do to that nation?

ISA 18:5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with pruning hooks, and take away [and] cut down the branches.

At a time when we are expecting a harvest (cattlemen and farmers said this has been the worst last 3 years in their history) at a time we are in prosperity there will be a "pruning" and a "taking away"

We see a nation wounded but not destroyed.

ISA 18:6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the beasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

Appears to be a year, a summer and a winter, great tragedy and death.

It all happens for us to return to God.

ISA 18:7 ¶ In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.