

## PROPHECY #1

Prophecy has played a major role in the history of man and nations. Daniel in books writes of the end times and of nations and empires that would rise over the Jews, 5 of them total. They are presented in Nebuchadnezzar's dream concerning the idol made up of various metals. They would rise and fall. Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece(it would be divided in four parts with one rising greater than the others, the Roman Empire, The revised Roman Empire, and then he saw the kingdom of Jesus, the stone out of the mountain strike the idol and it became an endless kingdom.

We are not without prophetic signs in our day.

I see four major areas in which prophecy and supernatural power are at work, even in recent months. The prediction begins with God and one man.

### I. A PERSON- ABRAHAM

1. Three of the world's major religions claim Abraham as their father. Jews, Christians, and Moslems or Islam.
2. Abraham came from modern day Iraq. He was told by God that he would be a father of nations and that he would have a son.
3. Sarah because of age ask Abraham to have a son by Hagar her Handmaid. She gave birth to Ishmael the father of Arabs.
4. Sarah later gave birth to the promised son named Isaac.
5. God repeatedly called the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, not Ishmael. It is not because Ishmael was not loved of God he was not the covenant son.
6. Ishmael's destiny is given to his mother by an angel even before he was born. GEN 16:12 And he will be a wild man; his hand [will be] against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.
7. Abraham pleaded in prayer that God would not forget Ishmael.

GEN 17:19 And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, [and] with his seed after him.

GEN 17:20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

GEN 17:21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.

## II. A CITY- JERUSALEM

It is not just a family or man of faith that is at the point of contention but a city. Islam denies that the Jews have any right to it at all. Christians and Jews know that it will be at the forefront of end times.

ZEC 12:1 The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.

ZEC 12:2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah [and] against Jerusalem.

ZEC 12:3 ¶ And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

2500 years before this prophecy was given.

Ownership of this city defines success or failure for Palestinians and Jews alike.

This leads us to the next component.

## III. A PEOPLE

It is about a people and their role in history. Israelites or Jews.

Four prophecies made long ago before they were fulfilled, reinforce how accurately the prophets spoke.

1. They would be brought into the promised land through a series of miracles.

GEN 15:13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land [that is] not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

GEN 15:14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

GEN 15:15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

GEN 15:16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites [is] not yet full.

2. Because of their moral failure they would be scattered all over the World. Deu 28 64, zec 7 14, 1ki 9 6,7

3. They would become a byword and a proverb among the nations.  
DEU 28:37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.  
1KI 9:7 Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all people:

4. The bible speaks of a regathering of the Jewish people from all over the world.  
ISA 11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.  
JER 23:3 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.  
EZE 11:17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.

#### IV. A SON- JESUS

ISA 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.  
ISA 9:7 Of the increase of [his] government and peace [there shall be] no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

The child was born. The Son was not born, the Son was given. He was not born because he eternally exists. His name is Jesus.