

Mid-East Prophecy Update – December 17th, 2017

- For today's prophecy update, I want to talk about the illegitimacy of the Palestinians and their illegitimate claim to Jerusalem.
- I would kindly ask you to hear me out as I argue the case and provide evidence proving there's no such thing as a Palestinian.
- Further, I will also explain what's really behind all the satanic rhetoric concerning Jerusalem, and why it matters to us today.

I'll begin with this Breaking Israel News article about how the White House had criticized Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas for his comments against the U.S. recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital, saying that such rhetoric has "prevented peace for decades." ...The US rebuke came after Abbas stated Wednesday that the Palestinians would refuse any future US involvement in the peace process and threatened that there will be "no peace or stability" in the region until Jerusalem is recognized as the Palestinian capital. Abbas's comments came during Wednesday's meeting of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Istanbul, a gathering initiated by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in response to Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

<https://www.breakingisraelnews.com/99370/white-house-abbass-threatening-rhetoric-prevented-peace-decades/>

According to The Times of Israel, Erdogan added to the threats from Abbas, with his own threats that the Muslim nations will seek UN 'annulment' of Trump's Jerusalem move. ...His comments followed Wednesday's summit of Muslim and Arab nations — the 57-member Organization of Islamic Cooperation — which declared East Jerusalem the capital of Palestine and urged the world to recognize the state of Palestine. ...Erdogan — who regards himself a champion of the Palestinian cause — denounced Israel at the Wednesday OIC summit as a state defined by "occupation" and "terror."

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/erdogan-muslim-nations-to-go-to-un-over-jerusalem/>

The problem is, there is no such thing as a Palestinian cause because there's no such thing as a Palestinian people. Enter this Jews News article on Wednesday titled, "OOPS: Arab Historian Admits there is No 'Palestinian' People." One of the biggest, most stubborn and costliest untruths of our time is the notion that the jihad waged by Arabs in the Palestinian Authority (PA) and Gaza against Jews in Israel is a national struggle of an indigenous people for independence. No matter the facts, the lie persists to the tune of billions of dollars in international aid and political prestige, which makes it increasingly difficult for anyone involved to admit that the whole thing is nothing more than a propaganda stunt. ..."Before the Balfour Promise, when the Ottoman rule [1517-1917] ended, Palestine's political borders as we know them today did not exist, and there was nothing called a Palestinian people with a political identity as we know today", historian Abd Al-Ghani admitted on official PA TV on November 1. ...In 1917, says this Arab historian on official PA TV, there was no such thing as a Palestinian people. This statement amounts to saying that the whole narrative of an 'indigenous Palestinian people' was made up at a later point in time. As Hamas Minister of the Interior and of National Security Fathi Hammad speaking on Al-Hekma TV said in March 2012: "Brothers, half of the Palestinians are Egyptians and the other half are Saudis. Who are the Palestinians? We have many families called Al-Masri, whose roots are Egyptian. Egyptian! They may be from Alexandria, from Cairo, ...We are Egyptians..." There is a reason, why the "Palestinian National Museum" is empty of historical artifacts.

<https://www.jewsnews.co.il/2017/12/13/oops-arab-historian-admits-there-is-no-palestinian-people.html>

The best book I've ever read concerning the Palestinian Myth, is by Ramon Bennett, titled, "Philistine The Great Deception." Here's a quote from his outstanding work, "In 130 A.D. the Romans renamed Jerusalem "Aelia Capitolina", after the emperor Aelias Hadrianus and the god "Jupiter Capitolinus". ...The Romans kept Aelia Capitolina as their name for Jerusalem, and renamed the Promised Land "Syria Palaestina". ...The renaming of the land was an overt effort to eradicate the Jewish connection. ...After the Muslim conquest of Palaestina in the 7th century A.D., the name Aelia Capitolina gradually faded from use. And in due process of time Palaestina, the Latin form of Philistia-the land of the ancient Philistines-was Anglicized into Palestine. ...The Jews purchased tracts of land from those few Arabs who actually owned land, and only three percent of Palestine was owned by Arabs in 1948 – nine percent was owned by Jews, 17 percent was abandoned land, and the remaining 71 percent was empty Crown or State Land vested in the British Mandatory government." Often the Jews paid exorbitant sums of money for what was considered useless land- malaria infested swamps, for example. The tenacity of the Jewish settlers overcame every obstacle, and once more sank their roots deep into their ancient home."

- Here's the truth, the land was never called Palestine because it belonged to the Palestinians it was because of the Romans.
- It's important to understand that the ancient Philistines are not synonymous with the "so-called" modern day "Palestinians."
- The fact of the matter is Philistines are extinct, they no longer exist and it's evidenced by the absence of coinage and language.

- A number of years ago a Jewish brother in my church on the mainland let me borrow his Life Magazines from in the 1940's.
- I then painstakingly scanned some of the main articles that related to the rebirth of the nation of Israel back in May of 1948.
- Permit me to quote from some of these very interesting articles, so as to provide additional evidence of the Palestinian myth.

The first article is titled, "Palestine" and published on August 19th, 1946, just shy of two years before the rebirth of Israel as a nation says, "...So what of a Jewish State? The Arabs regard it as an "exotic movement, internationally financed, artificially stimulated, holding no hope of ultimate or permanent success."

"The Palestine Problem" published on February 16th, 1948 ... "The U.N. had decided that all Palestine should be divided into three parts – a Jewish State, an Arab state, and an internationalized Jerusalem. ... The U.N. stands back of the decision, but so far back that from the Mount of Olives, around which is being spilled the blood of Arabs and Jews, its blue banner is almost invisible. ... Any move to revise would, of course, be a serious blow to U.N. prestige – climb down in the face of force. Moreover it would probably increase the fighting. Stalin could then maneuver over to the side of the fanatical ex-Grand Mufti and try to stir up the whole Arab world. This could be disastrous to the U.S., the U.N., and the 800,000 Jews in Arab lands."

- I hope you noticed the conspicuous absence of any mention of Palestinians in the articles. They only mention Arabs and Jews.
- In other words, the reason that there's no mention of Palestinian's in the articles is because there were no Palestinians there.
- It's a well-documented fact that the Jews never forced them out. The land was barren, and uninhabited, as it was a wasteland.

Bennett of this writes, "Arabs claim that Jews forced "millions" of Palestinian Arabs from the lands they had farmed for "thousands of years." ... We know that prior to modern times "millions" of Arabs never lived in Palestine. We also know that Arabs have not been around for "thousands of years," only the Jews had a continual presence in the land. ... Rather than being farmed by Arabs for "thousands of years," it was a wasteland. Eminent writers and pilgrims to the Holy Land throughout the ages have left many, written testimonies of the empty, barren wilderness. Historians report the same findings..."

He goes onto document these historians in speaking of prolific American writer Mark Twain, who toured "Palestine" in 1867. - "Come to Galilee... these un-peopled deserts, these rusty mounds of barrenness, that never do shake the glare from their harsh outlines... that melancholy ruin of Capernaum... We reached Tabor safely... we never saw a human being on the whole route. Bethlehem and Bethany, in their poverty and their humiliation, have nothing about them now... the hallowed spot where the shepherds watched their flocks by night, and where the angels sang, "Peace on earth, good will to men," is untenanted by any living creature... Bethsaida and Chorazin have vanished from the earth, and the 'desert places' round about them... sleep in the hush of a solitude that is inhabited only by birds of prey and skulking foxes. Stirring scenes... occur in the valley of Jezreel no more. There is not a solitary village throughout its whole extent not for thirty miles in either direction. Palestine sits in sackcloth and ashes... desolate and unlovely... it is a dreamland."

Citing a man by the name of Carl Hermann Voss in, "The Palestine Problem Today, Israel and Its Neighbors" Bennett writes, "In the twelve and a half centuries between the Arab conquest in the seventh century and the beginnings of the Jewish return in the 1880's Palestine was laid waste. Its ancient canal and irrigation systems were destroyed and the wondrous fertility of which the Bible spoke vanished into desert and desolation."

Gunner Edward Webbe, the Palestine Exploration Fund Quarterly statement writes, "Nothing there to be scene but a little of the old walls, which is yet remaining and all the rest is grass, moss and weeds much like to a piece of rank or moist ground."

Quoting a French Poet from Netanyahu, A Place Among the Nations Bennett writes, "Outside the gates of Jerusalem, we saw, indeed, no living object, heard no living sound. We found the same void, the same silence as we should have found before the entombed gates of Pompeii... a complete, eternal silence reigns in the town..."

- The reason I'm going into so much detail about the illegitimacy of the Palestinian is because it's coming back full circle today.
- Let me explain, this Palestinian myth is currently gaining traction, and in so doing, fulfilling major prophecies at are in the Bible.
- I would suggest that President Trumps recent declaration of Jerusalem as Israel's capital is in fact speeding up said fulfillment.

I find it rather interesting that what they are saying today regarding Jerusalem, as Israel's capital is exactly what they were saying about Israel becoming a nation. Listen to the Saudi Arabian King, Ibn Saud as I quote him from Life Magazine dated May 31st, 1943, five years before Israel's rebirth as a nation - "...I know of nothing that justifies the Jewish claims in Palestine. ...I am not afraid of the Jews or of the possibility of their ever having a state or power, either in the land of the Arabs or elsewhere. This is in accordance with what God has revealed unto us through the mouth of His prophet in His Holy Book."

- So now the question becomes one of why all of this matters, and perhaps more specifically, what does all of this mean to us.
- The reason this matters is because many have believed and are deceived by the lie that Jerusalem doesn't belong to the Jew.
- If Jerusalem doesn't belong to the Jew, then the Word of God and the God of the Word are not true and we have been lied to.

- Here's the bottom line in closing, God has an everlasting covenant with the Jew, and He also has a covenant with me and you.
- If the "Palestinian cause" were true, that would have to mean that God has broken His covenant with both the Jew and us too.
- If that covenant is no longer true, then Jesus cannot be the way, the truth, and the life, as the only way for anyone to be saved.

- Lastly, if you've never called upon the name of the Lord to be saved I would like to share the gospel of Salvation in Jesus Christ

The ABC's of Salvation - A is for Admit you're a sinner – Romans 3:23 says that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. The B is for Believe. Romans 10:9-10 says if you believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved. The C is for Call. Romans 10:9-10 also says if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. Romans 10:13 says that all who call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.