

## Mid-East Prophecy Update – February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009

- Every week, we set aside a few minutes on Sunday mornings to look at Bible prophecy
- The reason for this is because the Bible predicts certain events that will take place in the last days before the Lord returns.
- We believe that what's happening in the world today is a fulfillment of those Bible Prophecies.

- We look primarily at events in the Middle East, specifically related to Israel because, as it's been said; "Israel is God's prophetic clock."
- Last week we sort of had to cut our prophecy update a little bit short so we could address the baptism of the Holy Spirit in Acts 19:1-7.

- We were looking at the elections in Israel and the unsettled chaos that ensued after none of the parties could form a government.
- It came down to Tzipi Livni, or Benjamin Netanyahu and depended on who would be able to acquire the required number of seats.
- This last week Shimon Perez chose Benjamin Netanyahu to form a government and become the next Prime Minister of Israel.

- Netanyahu is clearly the better choice from a Biblical perspective but there are concerns about what he may actually be able to do.
- Perhaps the most fascinating aspect related to this, is the significance of where his new government could lead prophetically.
- I would like to look at four prophetic possibilities that a newly elected Benjamin Netanyahu as Prime Minister could now bring about.

### **1. It creates an enormous vacuum for a world leader to bring peace to the Middle-East**

**Palestinians Give Thumbs Down to Israeli Election Results** - Thursday, February 12, 2009 01:09 - Palestinian reactions to Israel's elections Tuesday were entirely negative, differing mainly in the degree of disapproval. The general view is that the Israeli right won the election and thus it doesn't really matter who becomes prime minister. Neither Likud's Binyamin Netanyahu or Kadima's Tzipi Livni would be able to move toward peace even if he (or she) wants to.

<http://www.usnews.com/blogs/mideast-watch/2009/02/12/palestinians-give-thumbs-down-to-israeli-election-results.html>

**Daniel 9:27** He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him."