

## Mid-East Prophecy Update – April 5<sup>th</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."
- For today's update, I want to revisit a very profound and important prophecy about Jerusalem, and the "two-state solution" as it's called.
- The question on the table for a newly formed Netanyahu government is what's the solution for the Palestinian problem going to be?

**Israel Insider - EU's Solana threatens Netanyahu: two state solution or else!** – Tuesday, March 17, 2009, The European Union's foreign policy chief Javier Solana warned on Monday that the bloc may reevaluate its ties with Israel if the Netanyahu government doesn't toe its line on talks with the Palestinians. ... The bloc "will be ready to do business as usual, normally, with a government in Israel that will continue talking for a two-state solution," Solana told reporters in Brussels before a meeting of EU foreign ministers. "If that's not the case, the situation will be different," he said. Netanyahu, .... In speaking with the Jerusalem Post, avoided the phrase "two-state solution," preferring instead words like "arrangement" or "international obligations." He spoke of the Palestinian "entity" rather than state.

<http://israelinsider.ning.com/profiles/blogs/eus-solana-threatens-netanyahu>

**YNET NEWS - Netanyahu to gov't: It's time to roll up our sleeves** - Prime minister convenes his 29 ministers for their first cabinet meeting, ... Minister Shalom calls for 'harsh sanctions' against North Korea – Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 "Israel News" - The second Netanyahu government convened Sunday morning for its first cabinet meeting. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu declared at the start of the meeting that "it's time for us to roll up our sleeves." ... Regional Development Minister Silvan Shalom commented on [North Korea's rocket launch](#), saying that the world must take the broadest action possible against Pyongyang because "[Iran](#) and its likes are looking at what the United States and the Western world will do." According to Shalom, the rocket launch "undermines the world's stability, and action must be taken in order to bring an end to the threat North Korea poses to Japan. The sanctions must be harsh and meaningful."

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3697328,00.html>

**Zechariah 12:1** An Oracle This is the word of the LORD concerning Israel. The LORD, who stretches out the heavens, who lays the foundation of the earth, and who forms the spirit of man within him, declares: 2 "I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling. Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem. 3 On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves. 4 On that day I will strike every horse with panic and its rider with madness," declares the LORD. "I will keep a watchful eye over the house of Judah, but I will blind all the horses of the nations. 5 Then the leaders of Judah will say in their hearts, 'The people of Jerusalem are strong, because the LORD Almighty is their God.' NIV