

Mid-East Prophecy Update - The Perfect Prophetic Storm, Part 1 – June 14th, 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."

- With what happened just last week and even today, it seems we're about to see what could be called; "The Perfect Prophetic Storm!"
- Over the next few weeks, we'll look at several Bible prophecies that are coming together perfectly and being fulfilled to form this storm.

1. Iran's Islamic Eschatology

- As you may have heard, it was announced that Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has been reelected in what is being called a "rigged" election.

Telegraph.co.uk - Iran elections: revolt as crowds protest at Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's 'rigged' victory, Saturday, June 13th, 2009 - Iran's clerical regime is facing open revolt as riot police clash with huge crowds accusing them of fixing the vote that returned Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to power. ...The prospect of Mr. Ahmadinejad having another four-year term in office is potentially disastrous for US President Barack Obama's efforts to bring Iran in from its 30-year diplomatic isolation from the West. ...an Israeli official described the result as very worrying, adding that it could only lead Iran into confrontation with the West - particularly over its nuclear weapons program.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/middleeast/iran/5526721/iran-elections-revolt-as-crowds-protest-at-Mahmoud-Ahmadinejads-rigged-victory.html>

- So now the question may be; "what part does Ahmadinejad's reelection play in this coming together for the perfect prophetic storm?"
- I believe there are three reasons why what's taking place in Ahmadinejad's Iran today, will play a key role in the End-Times scenario.

1. Daniel 9:27 says that the Anti-Christ will confirm a "7" year peace agreement with Israel. Ahmadinejad believes he's the one who has been commissioned to usher in the Muslim Mahdi, or Messiah, who will rule the world for a period of "7" years.
2. Ezekiel 38-39 tells us of an Islamic alliance of nations who will launch a nuclear attack against Israel. Ahmadinejad's nuclear ambitions for Iran are as clear as his chummy relationship with Putin's new Russia.
3. Psalm 83 prophecies that they will say; "Come, and let us wipe them out as a nation, that the name of Israel be remembered no more." Ahmadinejad has virtually quoted this prophecy verbatim in his declaration to wipe Israel off of the map.

Luke 21:28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. KJV