

Mid-East Prophecy Update - The Perfect Prophetic Storm, Part 4 – July 5th, 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."

- This is part 4 of a study titled; "The Perfect Prophetic Storm!" The world stage is being set and it's coming together to form this storm.

1. Iran's Islamic Eschatology

- In part one we looked at what the re-election of Iranian president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad means related to Islam's role in the last days.

2. The North Korea Factor

- In part two we talked about the "The North Korea Factor," and how they wanted to provide Hawaii with some fireworks for the 4th of July.

3. A Global Quest for "Peace and Security"

- The 3rd condition leading to this "Perfect Prophetic Storm" is the global cry and international quest for "peace and security," in the world.

4. The "Two-State Solution"

- Today, we'll look at, what is being called the "Two-State Solution," with Israel and Palestine living together in "Peace and Security."

Israel Insider on March 17th, 2009 - EU's Solana threatens Netanyahu: two state solution or else! - 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>

Arutz Sheva's Israel National Radio on June 5th, 2009 - Obama Promises Arabs Jerusalem will be Theirs! Jerusalem Bureau Chief for WorldNetDaily.com and author of "The Late Great State of Israel," reports that President Obama and his administration told Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas during a meeting last week the U.S. foresees the creation of a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital. Also, maverick Jerusalem Post columnist, Isi Leibler, reveals that despite the alarming ongoing surge of Islamic religious and political extremism in Europe, the European Union and individual European countries seem poised for what could become the ugliest confrontation with Israel since the creation of the Jewish state. <http://www.israelnationalnews.com/Radio/News.aspx/1039>

Ha'aretz on June 9th, 2009 - U.S. envoy: Obama wants 'immediate' Mideast talks - United States President Barack Obama wants "immediate" talks between the Palestinians and Israel to forge a comprehensive Middle East peace agreement, U.S. envoy George Mitchell said on Monday. ... Mitchell, who is en route to the Middle East, said the aim of such talks was "a comprehensive peace and normalization of relations" **between Israel and its neighbors**, which would also serve "the security interests of the United States."

<http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/1091223.html>

Ha'aretz on June 10th, 2009 - 'Obama proposed plan for peace deal within two years' - United States President Barack Obama has presented to Egypt and Israel a plan for a two-state solution to be finalized within two years, the London-based *A-Sharq al-Awsat* reported on Tuesday. <http://www.haaretz.com/hasen/spages/1091465.html>

Arutz Sheva on June 15th, 2009 Obama Praises Netanyahu's Speech - The speech was crafted for the ears of the president, whose press secretary Robert Gibbs stated, "The president is committed to two states, a Jewish state of Israel and an independent Palestine, in the historic homeland of both peoples. He believes this solution can and must ensure both Israel's security and the fulfillment of the Palestinians' legitimate aspirations for a viable state, and he welcomes Prime Minister Netanyahu's endorsement of that goal." ... Yasser Abed Rabbo, the secretary of the Palestine Liberation Organization Executive Committee, said the speech was empty of any content and pointless, and he called the Prime Minister "a swindler, a fraud and a liar who makes up tricks [about] achievement of this peace."

<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/131866>

Zechariah 12:1-5 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. 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

LA Times 14 years ago back in 1995 - Jerusalem is the Stumbling Block to Peace - ...This is the issue that will keep the fires hot well into the next century, probably beyond the time... In fact, the issue of Jerusalem probably never will be solved. It is too ingrained in passion; in religion. ... In the 28 years of Israeli control, all three major Western religions have been admitted to their Jerusalem holy sites, disrupted occasionally by moments of both impromptu and calculated violence which required rigid management. Jerusalem always has been and will continue to be a powder keg of emotion... It is there that the great battle will be fought, and won by no means other than force.

The Two State Solution for Peace and Security - <http://www.excel.net/~hoj/ctmpmka.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." NIV

Daniel 8:24-25 24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. 25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and **by peace shall destroy many**: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. KJV

"Arabs hold to a strong belief in the proverb that they can "remedy the present only with the remedies of the past." [They] look to ...the two most famous figures in Islam's long history of warfare, Mohammed and Saladin-in order to remedy the present. And [their] concept of peace is the same as Mohammed and Saladin a coin one must pay to achieve something else: "Peace for us means the destruction of Israel."

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(Feisal al-Husseini, member of the PLO negotiating team, November 1994, quoted in "Terrorism and the PLO: September 13 plus seven months," Bulletin of the Jerusalem Institute for Western Defense, Bulletin 2, June 1994 p.11.)

- Didn't Israel take the land from the Palestinian's?

"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..."

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"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."

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- Wasn't the land called Palestine before Israel?

There is a humorous and fictitious story that is told of a recent United Nations Assembly. A representative from Israel began: 'Before beginning my talk I want to tell you something about Moses. When he struck the rock and it brought forth water, he thought, 'What a good opportunity to have a bath!' He removed his clothes, put them aside on the rock and entered the water. When he got out and wanted to dress, his clothes had vanished. A Palestinian had stolen them.' The Palestinian representative jumped up furiously and shouted, 'What are you talking about? The Palestinians weren't even there then.' The Israeli representative smiled and said, 'And now that we have made that clear, I will begin my speech.'

"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..."

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- So what does all this mean for me, and how does it apply to me? I'm so glad you asked! This is life and death important for all eternity!

Luke 21:28 When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." NIV

John 14:29 "And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe. NKJV

- I submit to you that we are, even now, seeing this begin to take place right before our very eyes, and it's time to get right and get ready!