

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

Europa & the Beast

Each week we present what we call a prophecy update. We check the news for stories that seem to corroborate centuries old prophecies found in the Bible.

Some of the major categories that catch our attention are events in Israel, including the rebuilding of the Temple; the unification and rise of Europe as a world power; and the exponential growth of knowledge and technology, especially in the realm of creating a cashless global economy that you will access by a mark in your hand or forehead.

This week a few news items about the European Union caught my attention.

The EU Observer posted a story titled, *New Euro Notes to Show Tragic Princess*. The article goes on to describe Europa, a figure from Greek mythology. Of interest to us as students of prophecy is that her image, the one that is going to be on the new Euro, is that of a woman riding a beast - the exact imagery you can read about in the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

<http://euobserver.com/institutional/118148>

Next is an article from New Europe Online that discusses the possibility of former British prime minister Tony Blair being elected president of Europe.

Excerpts:

Tony Blair has warned that the structures of the European Union are distant from EU citizens... a situation that can be remedied by the election, by the European citizens, of a European Council president. Speaking in Germany, Blair said that a Europe-wide vote on the position, currently held by Herman Van Rompuy and decided on by EU heads of state as part of their usual institutional wrangling, would help bring the EU closer to its citizens. There have already been similar calls in EU circles for a directly elected president of the European Commission.

<http://www.neurope.eu/blog/new-leader-europe>

Reuters has reported that the Euro Zone is sinking into another economic recession. It could be just the crisis that propels someone into a position of strong leadership.

Also reported by the EU Observer was a call by five EU members to restructure Europe's military into something more unified.

<http://euobserver.com/defence/118226>

Prophecies in the book of Daniel and in the Revelation tell us that in the last days there will be a unified Europe out of which will emerge a leader who will turn out to be the antichrist. Today we see Europe united, getting stronger militarily, and calling for a president.

Bible prophecy is coming true right before our eyes. Our gaze, however, is heavenward. Jesus could come for us, to resurrect and rapture His church, at any moment.

Are you rapture-ready? Get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. ***Ready or not, Jesus is coming!***