

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

Super Natural Gas

I read or listen to the news with a Christian worldview and, especially, an ear for how things are corroborating centuries old Bible prophecies regarding the last days. Each week I present my findings as a Prophecy Update.

Students of Bible prophecy expect a coalition of nations, led by Russia and including Iran, to invade Israel from the north in the Last Days. The exact timing of the invasion is disputed. Some say it will occur before the beginning of the Great Tribulation, others during those seven years - probably near the middle.

According to the book of Ezekiel, two of the conditions that must exist before the invasion are that Israel must be "living securely" in their ancient homeland after centuries of exile, and that she would have great wealth worth plundering by the invaders.

Israel is, miraculously, back in her ancient homeland. She cannot said to be "living securely," but that could change, and will change, when the antichrist is on the scene and he signs a treaty with Israel guaranteeing her safety.

The second prerequisite, regarding wealth, is now a reality. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced recently that the dawn of Israeli "energy independence" has arrived. For the first time in history, Israeli natural gas is being pumped out of the Mediterranean Sea and back towards the Jewish state.

Soon the Jewish state will no longer need to import energy, thus making Israel more financially independent and in turn enhancing her national security. What's more, if it chooses to, Israel will soon also be able to export natural gas to Europe, a move that could make Israel enormously wealthy and become a game-changer economically, geopolitically and perhaps prophetically.

According to *The Times of Israel*,

Commenting on the historic development, Netanyahu drew a link between the event and the holiday of Passover. 'On the festival of freedom, we are taking an important step toward energy independence. We have advanced the natural gas sector in Israel over the last decade, which will be good for the Israeli economy and for all Israelis,' Netanyahu said. The gas is to be transferred Sunday from the facility to a processing plant in Ashdod. From there, it will flow into the Israeli market. These newly harnessed resources promise to be a major boon to both the country's public and private energy needs... The gas... is expected to help meet Israel's energy needs for the next 20 years... and will save the economy some... \$35 billion per year.

'This is an energy independence day for Israel,' said Energy and Water Minister Silvan Shalom. 'This breakthrough is the harbinger of the foray of additional private companies' into the Israeli energy market, he added.

The discovery of natural gas is itself the fulfillment of prophecy. In the OT book of Deuteronomy, in 33:19, it says, "for they shall partake of the abundance of the seas **And of treasures hidden in the sand.**" Genesis 49:25 says Israel will have, "**Blessings of the deep that lies beneath...**"

Commenting on this, Joel Rosenberg wrote,

While it is too soon to conclude definitively that we are seeing events line up for the fulfillment of Ezekiel 38-39 in our lifetime, the discovery, development, and pumping of natural gas is certainly an historic moment for Israel. It will be a great blessing to the Jewish people, to be sure. But it also could draw enemies who will try to attack Israel's burgeoning natural gas industry and choke Israel economically. Could Russia conceivably become one of those enemies? Only time will tell, but it's worth noting that Russia certainly views itself as a superpower in the natural gas market, and is currently the biggest supplier of natural gas to Europe.

<http://flashtrafficblog.wordpress.com/2013/03/30/game-changer-israeli-natural-gas-began-flowing-today-dawn-of-energy-independence-prophetic-too/>

We don't know how all this will work out. We can say that the Bible predicted Israel would be a nation again, and that she would discover treasure hidden in the deep - and those things have been fulfilled.

Are you ready for the return of Jesus Christ? He promised to come at any moment to resurrect and rapture the church.

If you're not ready, get ready and stay ready. ***Because ready or not, Jesus is coming!***