IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"Persian Thugs"

We like most Sunday's to bring what we call a Prophecy Update. We show how news and trends in the world are corroborating centuries-old prophecies found in the Bible.

One of the most astonishing prophecies to have been fulfilled in modern times is the rebirth of the nation of Israel in her ancient homeland. It is unprecedented in human history but was predicted by the Bible - and it happened just as God said it would.

In fact, it's still happening in the sense that Israel becoming a nation was just the beginning of a series of End Times prophecies involving the Jews and Jerusalem.

Benjamin Netanyahu, prime minister of Israel, recently addressed the United Nations General Assembly. He appealed to Bible prophecy. He said,

"In our time the Biblical prophecies are being realized. As the prophet Amos said, they shall rebuild ruined cities and inhabit them. They shall plant vineyards and drink their wine. They shall till gardens and eat their fruit. And I will plant them upon their soil never to be uprooted again.

"Ladies and gentlemen, the people of Israel have come home never to be uprooted again."

On his blog, Joel Rosenberg made the following comments about Netanyahu's speech:

I don't personally recall a single other Israeli leader in the modern era who has spoken so clearly of the fulfillment of Bible prophecy... Netanyahu's own interest in the Scriptures has been growing significantly in recent years... At a speech at the Auschwitz death camp in 2009, for example, Netanyahu declared that the prophecies of Ezekiel 37 - the dry bones of the Jewish people coming back together miraculously to form the State of Israel - had come to pass in his lifetime.

Netanyahu also said,

"The Jewish people's odyssey through time has taught us two things: Never give up hope, always remain vigilant. Hope charts the future. Vigilance protects it. Today our hope for the future is challenged by a nuclear-armed Iran that seeks our destruction. But I want you to know, that wasn't always the case. Some 2,500 years ago the great Persian king Cyrus ended the Babylonian exile of the Jewish people. He issued a famous edict in which he proclaimed the right of the Jews to return to the land of Israel and rebuild the Jewish temple in Jerusalem. That's a Persian decree. And thus began an historic friendship between the Jews and the Persians that lasted until modern times."

Cyrus did, in fact, emerge in history to fulfill prophecy exactly as God had predicted he would.

There's no doubt God has been 100% accurate in fulfilling prophecy in the past, leaving no doubt He is doing so in the present and will continue to do so in the future.

One prophecy that can be fulfilled at any moment is the return of Jesus to resurrect and rapture His church from earth to Heaven. It is an imminent event not subject to any timeline or precursors.

Are you ready for the rapture? If not, get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. *Ready or not, Jesus is coming!*