

# IT MIGHT BE TODAY

## "Yom Aliyah"

Each week we present what we call a Prophecy Update. This is #435 in that series.

The Bible accurately foretells specific events - in precise detail - sometimes even centuries before they occur.

Approximately 2500 prophecies appear in the pages of the Bible. About 2000, or 80%, have already been fulfilled to the letter, with no errors.

Because we know that the remaining 500 or so prophecies will definitely be fulfilled, we look for news, and trends, that you'd expect to be taking place.

You might call them the signs of the times.

The rebirth of Israel as an independent nation in 1948 is one of the most significant events in world history.

Never before has an entire race of people been without a homeland for so long without assimilating into surrounding populations.

However, no other conquered race had the promise of God to "give all this land of Canaan to you and to your offspring forever" (Genesis 17:8 NLT).

God foretold long ago that after He brought His scattered people out from among the nations, He would declare them to be a nation in a single day:

"Who has ever seen or heard of anything as strange as this? Has a nation ever been born in a single day? Has a country ever come forth in a mere moment? But by the time Jerusalem's birth pains begin, the baby will be born; the nation will come forth. Would I ever bring this nation to the point of birth and then not deliver it?' asks the Lord. 'No! I would never keep this nation from being born,' says your God" Isaiah (66:8-9 NLT)

This is exactly what happened on May 14, 1948. Having been brought to the brink of extinction by the horrors of the Holocaust, facing persecution around the world, and surrounded by their enemies, the Jewish people gathered together in Israel and declared themselves a nation in a single day. The United States recognized Israel as a nation on that same day, and Israel's victories in the wars since have solidified their place among the nations of the world.

The Bible also prophesies that Jews will return to Israel from all over the world. They have a name for this return; it's called *aliyah*. It's the Hebrew word for *ascent*, and it's used to describe Jews returning because Jerusalem is elevated and requires an ascent to get to it from any direction.

Aliyah has been on the rise, but that's not all. Israel National News posted an article titled, *Time for Aliyah to Have It's Own Holiday*.

Excerpts:

A special celebration took place on Sunday in honor of Yom HaAliyah (the day of Aliyah), which is celebrated on the 10th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan.

It is on this date in the year 2488 of the Jewish calendar (1273BC) that the first mass Aliyah in history took place, when the Children of Israel [led by Joshua first] crossed the Jordan into the land of Israel.

Yom HaAliyah began as a grassroots movement and in March 2014 the Yom HaAliyah Bill was first submitted in the 19th Knesset as the next step in codifying the 10th of Nisan holiday in Israeli law.

Yom HaAliyah “is the one thing on the Knesset table that everybody agrees on,” said Jonathan Javor, director at TLV Internationals, the organization that initiated the idea of codifying Yom HaAliyah into Israeli law.

“It’s the one thing where we’ve got coalition and opposition, right and left, secular and religious, everybody’s supporting this bill and it’s a wonderful thing to see,” he added, noting that the group hopes the legislation will be completed by the end of the Knesset’s summer session.

<http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/211020#.Vxeg09RHak2>

The rebirth, and repopulation of Israel is the miraculous literal fulfillment of centuries-old Bible prophecies.

While we look for signs of the times, there is one event that has no sign. It is presented as being imminent - meaning, it could occur at any moment.

Jesus will come and resurrect the dead believers, than snatch-away those who are alive. We call this the Rapture of the church.

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