

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"The Big City" ***Prophecy Update #589***

We focus on Bible prophecy each week for about five-minutes, calling it a "Prophecy Update."

We are considered futurists. We interpret the unfulfilled prophetic portions of the Book of the Revelation and the Book of Daniel, and all other unfulfilled prophecies, as yet future events in a literal, physical, apocalyptic, and global context.

In His prophetic sermon we call the Olivet Discourse, Jesus said the End Times would be like the days of Noah. He specifically referenced the strange marriages in the days of Noah. In Genesis chapter six we're told that certain fallen angels were marrying human women. Their offspring were called Nephilim. They were a race of of giants.

The Old Testament talks about giants in many places - even after the flood of Noah's day. For example: The ten Israelite spies reported there were giants in the Promised Land - so big that they made the spies seem like grasshoppers in comparison.

These were not just tall men. At least one is described as being 15' tall.

This isn't giantism, either. Humans who suffer from giantism are slow, clumsy, uncoordinated, and die relatively young. The giants in the Bible were fierce, agile warriors. Like Goliath - the most famous of them.

Folks generally pass off these biblical accounts as myths or exaggerations. That's why it was interesting to read an article titled, *Goliath's True Hometown Found [as] Lost 3,000-year-old Philistine City Emerges Beneath Gath*.

Excerpts:

Archaeologists excavating the ancient Philistine city of Gath have uncovered massive 3,000-year-old fortifications of a size unprecedented for their time and place. The discovery could help explain why the Bible names this town as a

home to giants, the researchers say. The monumental ruins emerged in recent months beneath the remains of a later and already well-explored layer of the Philistine settlement, indicating that researchers have stumbled upon an older city that was partially or completely built over by subsequent generations.

If Goliath did once exist, his hometown would apparently have been this earlier city, not the one under archaeological investigation for decades.

“I’ve been digging here for 23 years, and this place still manages to surprise me,” says Aren Maeir, a professor of archaeology at Bar-Ilan University who leads the expedition in Gath. “All along we had this older, giant city that was hiding just a meter under the city we were digging.”

<https://www.haaretz.com/archaeology/.premium.MAGAZINE-goliath-s-true-hometown-found-lost-3-000-year-old-philistine-city-of-gath-emerges-i-1.7569569>

In other unrelated archaeological news... It seems the biblical city of Edom has been unearthed. “Our new findings contradict the view of many archaeologists that the Arava was populated by a loose alliance of tribes, and they’re consistent with the biblical story that there was an Edomite kingdom here,” explained Ben-Yosef of TAU’s department of archaeology and ancient Near Eastern cultures.

In other unrelated Noah-type news... A Russian billionaire is ramping up plans to save humanity by creating a floating “garden of gods” in the Solar System for 15 million lucky people. In 2017, the group sent a satellite, Asgardia-1, into low-Earth orbit and declared sovereignty over the space it occupies. Earlier this year, Asgardia unveiled plans to build a fleet of “cosmic Noah’s arks” orbiting the Earth, at a cost of roughly £100billion a piece for its micro-nation. The ultimate goal is to recruit 150 million Asgardians, of whom 15 million will be residents in space and beyond.

My point is simply this: The discovery of Gath, and evidence of Nephilim, is exactly what you would expect based on the words of Jesus.

Jesus promised He'd return to rapture His church - which entails the resurrection of the dead in Christ of the Church Age, then the translation from earth to Heaven of all living believers.

It is presented in the Bible as an imminent (any-moment) event.

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