

IT MIGHT BE TODAY

"Please, Won't You Be Their Neighbor?"

Prophecy Update #775

We reserve a few minutes Sunday morning to suggest news, or trends, that seem to be predicted by the plain, futurist reading of the Bible.

We are careful to use recognized, reliable sources for news. There is a lot of sensationalism surrounding unfulfilled Bible prophecy, and we don't want to add to it.

We're not saying the things we report are the fulfillment of prophecy - only that they are the things you'd expect in light of the Bible's unfulfilled prophecies.

The things we follow include:

- Growing apostasy in the Church (Second Timothy 3:1-9).
- Instantaneous global communication (Revelation 11:4).
- The move towards a global government (Revelation 13).
- The move towards a global cashless society, accessed by a personal identifier (Revelation 13).
- An exponential leap in human knowledge (Daniel 12:4).

By far, however, the most important and exciting End Times indicator is the nation of Israel regathered to the land promised to them by God.

Dr. Arnold Fruchtenbaum writes, "Anyone who reads the Bible will soon realize that the Jewish people are the apple of God's eye. Israel, they will quickly see, is the centerpiece of divine, prophetic activity."

Dr. Michael Rydelnik writes, *"It cannot be denied that not only have the children of Israel endured despite the harsh treatment they have received, but against all odds, after 2000 years of exile, the Jewish people have once again returned to the Land of Israel as the biblical prophets promised they would. The Hebrew prophets foretold a day when God would draw His people back to Israel. Although centuries of dispersion caused this aspiration to retreat into the far background of Jewish life, it never fully disappeared."*

Think of Israel today, and of Jerusalem in particular, while I read this verse from Zechariah. "And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it" (12:3).

It is expected, but not encouraging, that the US is wavering in support. I read an article whose title was a question, *US & Arab States Plotting Imposed Peace Plan Upon Israel?*

Excerpts:

A scheme has been uncovered that apparently would involve announcing - unilaterally - a Palestinian state right away.

The proposed plan, described by the Washington Post, calls for "the withdrawal of many, if not all, settler communities on the West Bank; a Palestinian capital in east Jerusalem; the reconstruction of Gaza; and security and governance arrangements for a combined West Bank and Gaza."

Stunningly, the action could involve "early U.S. recognition of a Palestinian state - even as elements of political reform, security guarantees for both Israel and the Palestinians, normalization and reconstruction are being implemented." Israel, according to reports, would be left out of the process entirely.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has been opposed to such a move.

"1,400 murdered and the world wants to give them a state. It won't happen," National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir said on social media.¹

We believe that from chapter four through chapter nineteen in the Revelation are all unfulfilled future prophecies. There are many others in the Bible.

One thing that is coming is a Great Tribulation upon the whole earth. It will last for 7yrs. Towards the end Jesus Christ returns in glory to end a global conflict and establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

Jesus promised His Church, "I... will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth" (Revelation 3:10).

¹ https://www.prophecynewswatch.com/article.cfm?recent_news_id=6692#google_vignette

He keeps us entirely out of those 7yrs by raising deceased Church Age saints, then rapturing "we who are alive and remain."

When? The return of the Lord for us is imminent. It could happen any time. Nothing needs to occur before Jesus can come for us.

Are you ready for the rapture? If not, Get ready; Stay ready; Keep looking up.

Ready or not, Jesus is coming!