

It Might Be Today

Elam's Comin' *Prophecy Update #836*

Let's talk about Iran.

It's ancient biblical name was Persia. Its southwestern region is Elam. For the sake of simplicity, I will refer to all of Persia, Iran, and Elam as Iran.

If you're even a little familiar with Bible prophecy, you know Scripture predicts that in the last days a coalition of nations will invade Israel. Iran is specifically listed among them.¹

A less discussed prophecy can be found in the Book of Jeremiah.

Jer 49:34 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against Elam, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

Jer 49:35 "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, The foremost of their might.

Jer 49:36 Against Elam I will bring the four winds From the four quarters of Heaven, And scatter them toward all those winds; There shall be no nations where the outcasts of Elam will not go.

Jer 49:37 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies And before those who seek their life. I will bring disaster upon them, My fierce anger,' says the LORD; 'And I will send the sword after them Until I have consumed them.

Jer 49:38 I will set My throne in Elam, And will destroy from there the king and the princes,' says the LORD.

Jer 49:39 'But it shall come to pass in the latter days: I will bring back the captives of Elam,' says the LORD."

We are not saying that the current state of affairs in Iran fulfills the prophecy of Jeremiah. It may be the fulfillment of prophecy; it may not.

It should excite you nonetheless that the things the Bible said would be taking place in the future **are** taking place.

¹ Ezekiel 38&39

Jeremiah predicted at least 4 things: Iran's military collapse, a global dispersion of its people, a political overthrow, and a restoration.

1. Would it be accurate to say that Iran's military has collapsed? Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Dan Caine was quoted, "Iran has no air defense system, no air force, no navy. Missiles, missile launchers, and drones are all being destroyed or shot down."
2. After the 1979 revolution, there began a great diaspora of Iranians from their homeland as they fled the rule of the Ayatollahs. It has continued since then. More than 4mil Iranians are living in over than 100 countries.
3. As for political overthrow, there has been plenty of that of late. A March 4 article stated, "Over the weekend, the United States and Israel pulled off one of the most operationally impressive military campaigns in recent memory. In the span of 48 hours, they killed Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, and decapitated much of the country's political and military leadership."

What about the restoration Jeremiah predicts? Seems far-fetched to talk about restoration, but the current overall plan for the Middle East is to rebuild for prosperity. As well, Jeremiah could be looking further still - to the Kingdom of God on Earth, when many nations will be restored.

Let me emphasize: We are **not** saying that these prophecies of Jeremiah *are* being fulfilled.

We are suggesting that the stage is being set for the return of Jesus.

Global government, a global economy featuring some kind of mark necessary to participate, instantaneous communication, the exponential increase in human knowledge, and the falling away of believers from faith in Jesus are all rapidly readying for the Great Tribulation to begin.

We will not be here for any part of the Great Tribulation. We will be raptured and resurrected from the dead, taken home to be with the Lord.

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