

**ISRAEL, IRAN AND AMERICA IN
BIBLICAL PROPHECY
HOW WILL IT END?**

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TEXT: Ezekiel 37:24-28

CONSIDER THIS: Christian, God will faithfully keep every promise He ever made to you in His Word. To recognize this is to find peace, joy, comfort and encouragement no matter how troubling circumstances in your life and in the world might seem to be. As this sermon is being prepared, the United States and Israel are allied in a war against Iran. It is a geopolitical war about oil, about terrorism, about economics, about international relationships and national security. But most of all, it is a war about God. History is the unfolding of God's eternal plan. We might not know how every chapter will go, but we know how the story ends and it is glorious. Do not be afraid!!

I. ISRAEL AND BIBLE PROPHECY

KEY: There are many prophecies made about Israel in the Old Testament that have yet to be fulfilled. Is the stage being set today before our very eyes for the fulfillment of God's end times promises?

- A) Many Christians mistakenly believe that because Israel rejected Jesus as Messiah the church has **replaced** Israel (called "replacement theology"). Therefore, all the unfulfilled Old Testament prophecies will now be fulfilled figuratively, not literally, by the church. This view, although held by some wonderful Christians, is **incorrect**.
- B) God's promises to Israel will be kept!
1. Genesis 12:1-3 was an unconditional promise by God of land, seed, blessing. The Abrahamic Covenant was sealed by God unconditionally in Genesis 15:12, 17-18.
 2. God made a covenant with King David, promising him that his offspring would sit on the throne (see II Samuel 7:12-16). David's son, King Solomon, struggled with sin, but the ultimate "Son of David" is Jesus (see Matthew 1:1 and Revelation 5:3-5, and see Psalm 89:33-37).

He remembers His covenant forever, the word that He commanded, for a thousand generations, the covenant that He made with Abraham, His sworn promise to Isaac, which He confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance." (Psalm 105:8-11)

3. God promised to restore Israel to their land after the 70 year Babylonian captivity, and to give them a king. Israel did return to the land, and today the land is prosperous, but they are still waiting for their king! See Jeremiah 33:14-16, 20-21, 25-26. Similar promises are found in Ezekial 37:24-28.
4. Even though Israel remains, for now, in a state of unbelief, God has not replaced it with the church. God will keep His promises to Israel, not based on what they do, but upon His own faithfulness (see Ezekiel 36:16-24, 28-32).

The cross, and the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-27)...
He opened the minds of the apostles (Luke 24:44-47)...
He taught them about the kingdom of God (Acts 1:3)...
after all this, they asked the perfect question, "Lord, will you at this time restore the Kingdom to Israel?" (Act 1:6).

5. Proof that the Bible is the Word of God? I can answer that with one word... ISRAEL!
May 14, 1948! On May 15, 1948, Israel, a "one day old" nation with no real army, was attacked by the combined militaries of Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Iraq. When the war ended 10 months later not only was Israel victorious, it had increased its territory!

II. IRAN AND BIBLE PROPHECY

NOTE: The nation of Iran is merely the current form of the ancient nation of Persia. Iran wasn't named "Iran" until 1935.

- A) Ezekiel 38-39 prophecies that in the end times there will be a great attack against Israel, by the combined militaries of Iran, Russia, Turkey, Libya and Sudan. See Ezekiel 38:1-6. Which used the ancient names for nations that are in the news today. Iran is in Ezekiel 38:5 (Persia).
- B) In 38:8-12 Israel is described as being a nation regathered from a diaspora (scattered among nations), and having turned a wasteland into a prosperous and fertile nation.

Today, America and Israel are at war against Iran and appear to be winning. But someday, Iran will be poised to invade Israel. Ezekiel foresaw this.

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