8-22-2011-FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- This is the third of eight PowerPoint presentations that will be posted.
- You should find #1 (The Importance of Bible Prophecy, the Resurrection and the Rapture), and #2 (The Tribulation Period----Part One) already posted on this website.
- I recommend that you download these for study, reference, to show at your church, etc.
- Other studies include: World Government; Signs & Current Events; Wars & Rumors of Wars; Trib. Per.---Part Two; After the Rapture.

SESSION THREE---ISRAEL: THE KEY TO UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S NEWS

WE WILL DIVIDE & DESTROY ISRAEL

EVERY NATION THAT TRIES TO DO THAT WILL BE CUT INTO PIECES











ISRAEL IS MENTIONED MORE THAN 2500 TIMES IN THE BIBLE

HE WHO TOUCHES ISRAEL TOUCHES THE APPLE (PUPIL) OF GOD'S EYE



HURTING ISRAEL IS LIKE STICKING YOUR FINGER IN GOD'S EYE---IT HURTS HIM.

WHY HURTING ISRAEL HURTS GOD

- Hurting Israel hurts God because He wants people to know, believe and care what the Bible says.
 - But hurting Israel shows that people don't know, believe or care what the Bible says.
- Hurting Israel hurts God because He said Israel can't be destroyed.
 - So His judgment will have to fall on those who don't know, believe or care what the Bible says.
 - It grieves God to let His judgment fall on nations and people.

SOME CHRISTIANS ARE AGAINST ISRAEL BECAUSE . . .

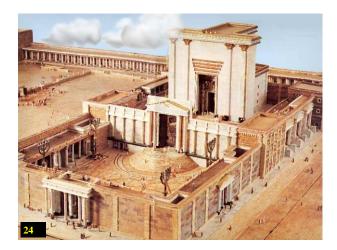
- Most Jews don't believe Jesus is the Messiah.
- God put the Jews off the land for rejecting Jesus.
- Some Jews want to rebuild the Temple & restart the animal sacrifices.
- Jesus is the only sacrifice that God will accept for sin.

BUT

- God created the nation of <u>Israel</u> (Isa. 43:1).
- God created the nation of <u>Israel</u> for His glory (Isa. 43:7).
- God calls Himself the "God of Israel" more than 200 times.
- God calls Himself "The Lord God of <u>Israel</u>" more than 100 times.

- Of all the nations on earth, God chose **Israel** for a special purpose (Deut. 7:6).
- God will give <u>Israel</u> a new heart (Ezek. 36:25-28).
- The Word of God will come out of Israel at the end of the age (Mic. 4:1-2).





- God will never forsake **Israel** (Isa. 41:17).
- <u>Israel</u> will become a crown of glory in the hand of God (Isa. 62:3).
- God has not cast away His people
 [Israel] which He foreknew (Rom. 11:2).
- All <u>Israel</u> will be saved (Rom. 11:26).
- God will bless those who bless <u>Israel</u> & curse those who curse <u>Israel</u>, etc. (Gen. 12:1-3).

- The One who created <u>Israel</u> (God/Jesus) is her <u>King</u> (Isa. 43:15).
- If you try to destroy the King's people, the King must respond.

JERUSALEM

• The Lord's name is on

Jerusalem (2 Kings 21:7).

The Lord will dwell in

Jerusalem during the



- Millennium (Psa. 132:13).
- The Lord will teach & His Law will go forth out of <u>Jerusalem</u> during the Millennium (Isa. 2:3).

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM

• "And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, <u>ALL THE LAND OF</u> **CANAAN, for an EVERLASTING POSSESSION; and I WILL BE** THEIR GOD" (Gen. 17:7-8).

NOTICE THIS

- God made an everlasting covenant:
 - -To give <u>ALL</u> of the Land of Canaan to Israel.
 - For an <u>EVERLASTING POSSESSION</u>.
 And to be <u>ISRAEL'S GOD</u>.
- This is either true, its a lie or the Bible is wrong.
- If it is true (and it is), those who oppose Israel are opposing Israel's God Jehovah.
- If it is a lie, or the Bible is wrong, we are all in trouble for believing lies & errors.

A WORD ABOUT GOD'S FAITHFULNESS IN PSALM 105

- Vs. 7---He is the Lord our God.
- Vs. 8----He hath remembered his covenant forever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations (this includes us).
- Vs. 9-11---He made an everlasting covenant to give all of the Promised Land to Israel.
- Vs. 14-45---He protected Israel & sent famine & plagues upon those who tried to harm Israel.
- Never overlook the faithfulness of God.

LETS LOOK AT TWO IMPORTANT VERSES IN THE SONG OF MOSES

"When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the LORD'S portion *is* his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance" (**Deut. 32:8-9**).

THIS IS HOW I UNDERSTAND IT

- When God scattered the nations at the tower of Babel He divided up the earth.
- God gave one nation part of Africa, another nation part of Europe, another nation part of Asia, etc.
- But God didn't give anyone the Promised Land.
- He <u>KEPT THE PROMISED LAND</u> <u>FOR HIMSELF</u>.
- And He set it aside for <u>ISRAEL</u>.

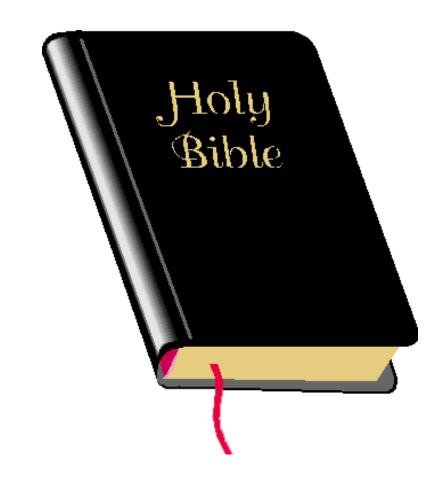
THREE QUICK POINTS

- One---God kept the Promised Land for <u>Himself</u> & <u>set it aside for Israel</u> so no one has the authority to give any part of it away.
- Two----<u>God set the borders</u> of Israel's land so <u>it is a mistake</u> for the U.S. or anyone else to try to re-draw the borders of Israel to create a Palestinian State or whatever.
- Three---Since God has already predetermined that Israel will get all of the Promised Land those who act contrary to the Scriptures will ultimately fail.

THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT

- "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long <u>upon the</u> <u>land which the LORD thy God giveth</u> <u>thee</u>" (Ex. 20:12).
- The Fifth Commandment says God gave the Promised Land to Israel.
- World leaders are ignoring the Ten Commandments, but God will deal with them for ignoring them.

LET'S LOOK AT SOME BIBLE STORIES ABOUT GOD'S PROTECTION OF ISRAEL



PHARAOH'S ARMY COULDN'T DESTROY ISRAEL

- After God sent the 10 Plagues on Egypt, Pharaoh said the Jews could go.
- Later, Pharaoh changed his mind.
- He sent his army to bring the Jews back.
- The Bible says with the blast of His nostrils God parted the waters of the Red Sea & the Jews crossed on dry land (Ex. 15:8).
- Then, Pharaoh's army started to cross.
- The waters closed & Pharaoh's army was destroyed (Ex. 14:1-31).

THE BIBLE SAYS

• "<u>They sank as lead in</u>

the mighty waters."

• It says, "<u>The earth</u>



- **swallowed them**." (Ex. 15:5-21).
- God is without equal.
- Man's weapons are useless.
- Man cannot defeat a God that can do the kind of things God did.

WILDERNESS ENEMIES COULDN'T DESTROY ISRAEL

- A lack of food couldn't destroy Israel.
- A lack of water couldn't destroy Israel.
- Wild animals couldn't destroy Israel.
- Enemy combatants couldn't destroy Israel.
- God is faithful.
- His protection of Israel is sufficient.
- Nothing can destroy Israel without His permission.

THE CANAANITES COULDN'T DO IT

- The Canaanites attacked Israel with thousands of soldiers & 900 chariots of iron (Judges 4).
- God told Deborah to assemble an army of 10,000 men on the high ground at Mt. Tabor.
- He brought the Canaanites to the Kishon River.
- He sent a great rain, the river overflowed & the chariots of iron mired in the mud.
- God delivered the Canaanite army & their 900 chariots into the hands of a woman.

THE MIDIANITES COULDN'T DO IT

- They came against the children of Israel with an army of 135,000 men (Judges 6).
- Gideon raised an army of 32,000 men to fight them.
- But God trimmed it down to 300 men.
- The Israeli army was outnumbered by more than 400 to 1.
- The Israeli army didn't even have swords.
- God armed them with pitchers, lamps & trumpets.
- With God's help Israel can defeat the world.

THE ASSYRIANS COULDN'T DO IT

- King Sennacherib & his army camped outside the gates of Jerusalem & demanded the surrender of the Jews (II Kings 19:1-37).
- But God said not even one arrow will fall into the city.
- That night the angel of the Lord went through the Assyrian camp & killed 185,000 troops.
- King Sennacherib & the remainder of his army left without firing a shot.

HAMAN COULDN'T DO IT

- Haman secured a decree from King Ahasuerus to destroy all of the Jews in Persia (Est. 3:8-11).
- But God made Esther queen of Persia.
- She interceded for the Jews
- And Haman died on his own gallows (Est. 7:9-10).

SOME MODERN EXAMPLES OF ISRAEL'S AMAZING VICTORIES

ISRAEL'S WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

- On May 15, 1948 (one day after Israel became a nation), Israel was attacked by troops from 5 Arab nations (Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon & Saudi Arabia).
- The Arab armies had planes, tanks, artillery, armored cars & an unlimited supply of guns and ammunition.
- Israel had mortars, homemade Molotov cocktails, a few days supply of guns & ammo, not enough troops, no tanks & no air force.
- With God's help Israel defeated all 5 nations.

ISRAEL'S SIX-DAY WAR

- In 1967, combined armies from Egypt, Syria & Jordan with more than 450,000 troops, more than 800 planes & about 2800 tanks started moving toward Israel.
- Israel launched a pre-emptive strike, wiped out all 3 air forces in about one day & defeated all three armies in six days.

ISRAEL'S YOM KIPPUR WAR

- On Oct. 6, 1973, 13 Muslim nations with more than 600,000 troops, about 600 planes, about 2,000 tanks & more than 3 billion dollars worth of Soviet supplies launched a surprise attack on Israel & broke through her defenses.
- Nine days later, Israel was wiping up the ground with them & the Soviet Union went to the U.N. pleading for a cease fire.

LET'S LOOK AT TWO FUTURE WARS

THE BATTLE OF GOG OF MAGOG IN THE LATTER DAYS & LATTER YEARS

- "And thou shalt come up against <u>my people of</u> <u>Israel</u>" (Ezek. 38:16).
- "I will bring thee against my land" (Ezek. 38:16).



- "And I will call for a <u>sword</u> against him throughout all <u>my mountains</u>" (Ezek. 38:21).
 - Notice, that God said my people of Israel, my land, my mountains in the latter days and latter years.
 - God will destroy that great unbelieving army from many nations & it will take Israel 7 months to bury the dead.
 - No one can try to harm God's people Israel, seize
 God's land, try to give it away and get away with it.

THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

- "For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for **MY PEOPLE** and *for* **MY HERITAGE ISRAEL, whom they** have scattered among the nations, and parted MY LAND" (Joel 3:1-2).
- God will drag the nations into the Battle of Armageddon for telling His people Israel that they have to <u>leave the West Bank</u> because they plan to <u>divide God's land</u>.

GOD'S BATTLE AX

- "Thou *art* my battle axe *and* weapons of war: for <u>with thee</u> <u>will I break in pieces the</u> <u>nations</u>, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms" (Jer. 51:20).
- God will use Israel to deal with unbelieving nations.
- He will cut those unbelieving nations into pieces with Israel.

GOD'S WARNING ABOUT THE CITY OF JERUSALEM

- **"Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of** trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: ALL that burden themselves with it shall be **<u>CUT IN PIECES</u>**, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it" (Zech. 12:2-3).
- At the end of the age, <u>God will cut into pieces</u> every nation around Israel & every nation on earth that opposes God's plans for Jerusalem.
- At the end of the age, no nation, including the U.S., can survive the judgments of God, if they try to interfere with God's plans for Jerusalem.

- "In that day shall <u>the LORD defend</u> <u>the inhabitants of Jerusalem</u>; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David *shall be* as God, as the angel of the LORD before them" (Zech. 12:8).
- At the end of the age, God will defend Jerusalem.
- With God defending the Jews in Jerusalem they will be super-strong because they will be led by the angel of the Lord.

- "And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* <u>I will seek to destroy all the</u> <u>nations that come against Jerusalem</u>" (Zech. 12:9).
- During the Tribulation Period, God will destroy every nation that comes against Jerusalem.
- Those who are trying to destroy Israel today (PA, Syria, Iran, Libya, Quartet, etc.) are about to incur the terrible & mighty wrath of God.

- "And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against **Jerusalem**; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth" (Zech. 14:12).
- God will strike those who fight against Jerusalem & they will melt while they are standing on their feet.

GOD'S WARNING TO CHRISTIANS

CHRISTIANS HAVE A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL

- Israel is the olive tree that gave us our Saviour, the Scriptures, the Church, etc. (Rom. 11:13-24).
- When Israel rejected Jesus as her Messiah, God broke some of the branches off of the olive tree & grafted in wild branches (Christians) to create a wild olive tree.
- But don't overlook the fact that branches that are grafted in have to be nourished & sustained by the original tree.

- Don't overlook the fact that the God who broke off the original branches can break off the new branches that He grafted in.
- Understand that when branches are broken off of a tree they will die.
- I'm not saying the Church will die.
- But I am saying the Church must strive to stay connected to the original olive tree (Israel).

KNOW THIS

- The Church doesn't exist because God has permanently rejected the Jews.
 – He hasn't.
- The Church exists because God wanted to show grace to the Gentiles.
- God loves the Church.
- But He also loves Israel.
- He is faithful.
- And He will not break His covenant.

CHANGE IS COMING

- Thus saith <u>thy Lord the LORD</u>, and <u>thy</u>
 <u>God that</u> pleadeth the cause of his people,
 Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, *even* the dregs of the cup of <u>MY FURY</u>; thou shalt no more drink it again: But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee" (Isa. 51:22-23a).
- At the end of the age, God will change the way He is dealing with Israel.
- God will stop punishing Israel for rejecting Jesus & <u>start punishing the nations that</u> <u>mistreat Israel.</u>

EXAMINE YOURSELF

- Christians are rightly unhappy because the Jews want to rebuild the Temple, resume the animal sacrifices, etc.
- God is not happy with that either.
- But God is also unhappy with those who ignore or don't believe the Bible.
- He is so unhappy with that He is going to <u>shift His focus</u> from Israel's unbelief to the world's unbelief.

PICK YOUR OWN PUNISHMENT

- "For the day of the LORD *is* near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: <u>thy reward shall return</u> <u>upon thine own head</u>" (Obad. 1:15).
- When the Tribulation Period is near those who mistreat Israel will reap what they sow.
- Every effort to harm Israel will backfire.
- God's guiding principle will be to do to Israel's enemies what they try to do to Israel.

DID GOD WARN US IN 1991

- On Oct. 30, 1991, Pres. Bush (the 1st Pres. Bush) opened the Madrid Conference that began the "land for peace" process <u>that would give Israeli</u> <u>homes & land to the PA</u>.
- The next day (Nov. 1, 1991), the "Perfect Storm" formed with 100 ft. waves that <u>damaged Pres. Bush's home</u> at Kennebunkport, Maine.

DID GOD WARN US BETWEEN 1991 & 2004

- Over the next 13 years, the U.S. pushed the "land for peace" process (<u>divide Israel</u>) and we had:
 - -9 of our 10 greatest natural disasters.
 - -5 of the costliest hurricanes ever.
 - -3 of the 4 largest

tornado swarms ever.



DID GOD WARN US IN 2005

- In Aug. 2005, America pushed Israel to withdraw from Gaza and turn <u>Jewish houses</u> and land over to the Palestinians.
- Between Aug. 7-22, about 9,000 Jews were forcefully removed from their houses & land.
- The very next day (Aug. 23, 2005), hurricane Katrina formed in the Gulf.
- Four days later, it had developed into the most powerful hurricane in modern history & it wiped out American <u>houses & land</u> on the Gulf Coast including most of the city of New Orleans.

DID GOD WARN US IN SEPT. & OCT. 2008

- Pres. Bush (the 2nd Pres. Bush) was pushing to divide the land of Israel.
- On Sept. 29 (the Jewish Feast of Trumpets), the Dow Jones stock market fell 777 points.
- On Oct. 9 (the Jewish Feast of Atonement), the Dow Jones stock market fell 679 points.
- On Oct. 15 (the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles), the Dow Jones stock market fell 737 points.
- This 2193 point drop of the stock market led to the stimulus package & bail out.

DID GOD WARN US IN NOV. 2008

- On Nov. 12, 2008, Pres. Bush (the 2nd Pres. Bush) announced that America will guarantee a Palestinian State.
- Two days later, Hurricane Ike, at that time the fourth worst hurricane in American history, struck Texas and passed <u>right over Pres. Bush's house</u> at Crawford, Texas.

DID GOD WARN US IN 2010

- In Sept. 2010, America pushed Israel to sign a peace treaty to give up houses and land on the West Bank.
- God said what we do to Israel will come back on us.



- America's housing industry started tanking, bankruptcy filings soared & now 1 in 7 mortgages are delinquent or in foreclosure.
- Americans are <u>losing their houses and land</u>.

DID GOD WARN JAPAN IN 2011

- Japan's state religion is Shintoism (many gods not one God called Jehovah).
- During WW II Japan formed the "Axis Alliance" with Germany (Hitler/Holocaust).
- Between 1993 & 2011, Japan gave more than one billion dollars to the Palestinians.
- On 3/11/10 (exactly 1 yr. before the tsunami), Japan <u>deplored</u> Israel's building on the West Bank and <u>demanded</u> that Israel stop building.
- On 1/11/11 (exactly 3 mos. before the tsunami), Japan condemned Israel for building on the West Bank & <u>said Japan will not recognize</u> <u>East Jerusalem as part of Israel's capital</u>.

JAPAN'S SUPPORT FOR THE PA

- On Feb. 8, 2011 (31 days before the tsunami), Japan urged Israel & the PA to resume the peace negotiations (<u>to divide land</u>).
- On Feb. 10, 2011 (29 days before the tsunami), Japan <u>condemned</u> Israel a 2nd time for building in East Jerusalem & said a 2nd time <u>Japan will</u> <u>not recognize East Jerusalem as part of Israel's</u> <u>capital.</u>
- On Mar. 1, 2011 (10 days before the tsunami), Japan said it would build a \$32.5 million waste water treatment plant <u>for the Palestinians</u> on the West Bank near Jericho.

- On Mar. 8, 2011 (3 days before the tsunami), Japan gave money to the PA & said Japan wants a viable, independent
 Palestinian State on the West Bank (wants to divide Israel).
- On Mar. 11, 2011 (the day of the tsunami), Japan said for a 3rd time that Japan <u>deplored</u> Israel's building on the West Bank & for a 3rd time <u>demanded</u> that Israel stop building.

WHAT'S THE POINT

Japan was helping the Palestinians build on the West Bank.

 On Mar. 11, 2011, just after Japan <u>deplored</u> Israel's building on the West Bank & <u>demanded</u> that Israel stop, a 9.0 earthquake struck off the coast of Japan, a tsunami destroyed thousands of <u>Japanese houses</u> & radiation is keeping 1000's more <u>from their</u> <u>houses & land</u>.

IS THIS JUST A CONCIDENCE

- God set <u>ALL</u> of the Promised Land aside for Israel.
- He said at the end of the age all who burden themselves with <u>Jerusalem</u> will be <u>CUT IN</u> <u>PIECES</u>.
- When for the third time in one year Japan <u>demanded</u> that Israel not build in East <u>Jerusalem</u> and said she will not recognize East <u>Jerusalem</u> as part of Israel's capital Japan was struck on the same day by the worst natural disaster in her history.
- What should God do to nations that don't believe His Word---cut them in pieces?

THE CONTROVERSY OVER JERUSALEM IS GROWING MORE DANGEROUS EVERY DAY

WHAT WORLD LEADERS ARE SAYING ABOUT ISRAEL BUILDING IN EAST JERUSALEM AND ON THE WEST BANK



Settlements are Illegitimate



UN - Settlement expansion contrary to International law



EU demands Israel halt all construction in West Bank & E. Jerusalem



I will make every effort to ensure the establishment of a Palestinian State



The establishment of a Palestinian State should be accelerated.

GOD SAID THIS WILL GET YOU CUT IN PIECES

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT OTHERS WHO WANT TO DIVIDE THE LAND

- Under the urging of the Arab League, a group of nations called the Quartet (U.S., Russia, U.N. & EU) is trying to push Israel into the Two-State solution (divide the land of Israel).
 - Now, most of the <u>Arab League</u> nations have been in a raging crisis that started on Jan. 31, & many will die in future wars.
 - Others will die in the Battle of Gog & Magog.
- The <u>U.S</u>. appears to be irrelevant at the end of the age & now our economy has tanked (jobs, house sales, gas prices, etc.).
- God will destroy <u>Russia</u> & her allies (Iran, Turkey, Libya, etc.) on the mountains of Israel.

THE U.N. & EU

- The Antichrist will rise to power in the <u>EU</u> and ultimately take over the coming <u>U.N.</u> world government.
- He will make Babylon the seat of Global trade & Global religion.
- Then, Babylon will be <u>destroyed</u> by fire in one hour.
- Jesus will <u>destroy</u> the Antichrist's army at the Battle of Armageddon, seize the Antichrist & <u>cast him alive into the Lake of</u> <u>Fire</u>.

GOD'S PROMISE TO ISRAEL

- "<u>NO WEAPON that is formed against thee</u> <u>shall prosper</u>; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou [God] shalt condemn" (Isa. 54:17).
- Many nations want to destroy Israel, but there are no weapons that can destroy Israel and every person or nation that speaks evil against Israel will be condemned (JUDGED BY GOD).
- God will destroy nations before He lets them act like He doesn't exist, take Israel's land, make the Bible wrong, make Him a liar, etc.

ANOTHER PROMISE TO ISRAEL

- "Thus saith the LORD, which give th the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever." (Jer. 31:35-37).
- As long as the sun and moon exist Israel will exist.

ANOTHER PROMISE TO ISRAEL

- "And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth" (Isa. 11:11-12).
- Isaiah said Israel will return to the land twice.

ISRAEL HAS RETURNED TWICE SINCE THE DAYS OF ISAIAH

- The 1st return was after the Babylonian captivity.
- The 2nd return was after the Roman dispersion (it's going on now).

THERE WON'T BE ANYMORE RETURNS

- God said, "I will plant them upon their land, and they shall <u>NO MORE</u> be pulled up out of <u>THEIR LAND</u> which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God" (Amos 9:15).
- They shall dwell in the land I have given them "FOREVER" (Ezek. 37:25).
- "No more" and "forever" means Israel is back on the land to stay.

GOD IS ALWAYS WATCHING OVER ISRAEL

- "He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep" (Psa. 121:4).
- God will never be caught off Guard.
- He will never stop watching over Israel.



• Those who test Him are making a terrible mistake.

GOD'S MESSAGE TO DANIEL

- "And at that time (the time of the end) shall **<u>Michael</u>** stand up, <u>the great prince</u> which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation *even* to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book" (Dan. 12:1).
- <u>Michael</u>, the great prince, is an Archangel.
- The <u>children of Daniel's people</u> are the Jews at the end of the age.

FAST FACTS ON MICHAEL

- Michael is an Archangel (or a war angel).
- He may be the most powerful angel in heaven.
- He & his angels will kick Satan & his angels out of heaven during the Tribulation Period.
- His name means "who is like unto God."
- His main responsibility is to protect Israel.
- At the end of the age, the Archangel Michael will intercede against many nations on behalf of Israel to make sure that Israel survives until the Second Coming.

A VERY IMPORTANT BIBLE TEACHING

- Christians need to wear the whole armor of God to stand against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places (Eph. 6:11-12).
- Christians are surrounded by Satanic spiritual forces that can't be defeated with man's weapons or human power.

BUT

- God has spiritual forces (the Archangel Michael, etc) that can't be defeated with man's weapons or human power.
- And God's spiritual forces will stand up for Israel at the end of the age.
- Israel will not be destroyed.
- America, or any other nation, that comes against Israel at the end of the age will suffer the restraining affects of God's angelic spiritual forces.

GOD'S MESSAGE FOR A GENERATION TO COME

MERCY & FAVOR TO ISRAEL & A SIGN ON THE LORD'S RETURN

• King David said, "Thou [God] shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion (Israel/Jerusalem): for the time to **favour** her, yea, the set time, is come... When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory. He will regard the prayer of the destitute, & not despise their prayer. This shall be written for the generation to come: & the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD" (Psa. 102:12-18).

COULD GOD'S SET TIME MESSAGE BE FOR OUR GENERATION

- God's set time message says when <u>the</u> <u>Lord builds up Zion</u> (names for Israel & Jerusalem)---When the Lord builds up Israel and Jerusalem He shall appear in His glory (terms associated with the Rapture and Second Coming).
- The rebuilding of Israel & Jerusalem are a set time message from God to a certain generation that the Rapture & Second Coming are close.

JESUS MENTIONED A SPECIAL GENERATION

 "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer *is* nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, KNOW that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This GENERATION shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled" (Matt. 24:32-34).

-There will be a <u>TERMINAL</u> <u>GENERATION</u> that sees everything in Matthew 24 fulfilled.

HOSEA SAID THE JEWS WILL RETURN IN THE LATTER DAYS

- "For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, & without a prince, & without a sacrifice, and without an image, & without an ephod, & without teraphim: Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the <u>latter days</u>." (Hos. 3:4-5).
- After many days, without a king & animal sacrifices, Israel will return to the Promised Land.
- Israel will return, seek God, show Him respect and seek His mercy & favor in the latter days.

SOME BELIEVE HOSEA SAID ISRAEL WILL RETURN IN 2-3000 YEARS

- "Come, & let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, & he will heal us; he hath smitten, & he will bind us up. After two days (2,000 yrs. in God's time) will he revive us: in the 3rd day he will <u>raise us up</u>, & we shall live in his sight" (Hos. 6:1-2).
- Its been 2700 years (almost 3 God days) since Hosea said this and now Israel is a nation and some Jews are seeking the Lord.
- The latter days have arrived.

COULD THIS BE A PICTURE OF THE RESURRECTION

- Jesus was raised from the dead on the third day.
- Israel was raised from
 the dead (became a nation) on the third day from Hosea's time.

THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES



THESE BONES ARE THE WHOLE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (Ezek. 37:11)

THESE BONES WILL LIVE

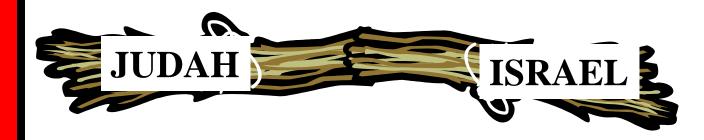
God said, "I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD" (Ezek. 37:6-7).

ITS A PICTURE OF THE RESURRECTION

- God would bring the Jews <u>out of their</u> <u>graves</u> which means He would bring the Jews out of the nations they were scattered to (Ezek. 37:21).
- He would restore Israel in a step-bystep fashion and finally breath life into them.
- The restoration of Israel is like a resurrection from the dead.

THE TWO STICKS

 God told Ezekiel to take two sticks, write Judah on one, write Israel on the other, put them together and they will be one stick. (Ezek. 37:15-17).



ISRAEL WILL RETURN AS ONE NATION NOT TWO

"Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all" (Ezek. 37:21-22).

FULFILLED PROPHECY

- On May, 14, 1948, Israel came back into being as one nation not two.
- There is no Northern Kingdom (called Israel) & S. Kingdom (called Judah).
- There is just one nation and it is called Israel. ISRAEL

JERUSALEM IS A SPECIAL SIGN

- Concerning the <u>FIRST</u> coming, the angel Gabriel said the Messiah will appear 49 weeks plus 62 weeks or 483 years (173,880 days) after the command to rebuild <u>Jerusalem</u>.
- Concerning the <u>SECOND</u> coming, King David said after Israel & <u>Jerusalem</u> are rebuilt, the Lord will appear in His glory.

THIS IS WHERE WE ARE

- Pres. Obama has drawn up a peace plan for the Middle East.
- He revealed it in a speech at the State Department on May 22, 2011.
- His plan for the Middle East has four main points.

- One---divide the land of Israel according to the Pre-1967 borders with some agreed upon land swaps.
- Two---divide the city of Jerusalem and make it the capital of both nations.
- Three---Israel should have security (be guaranteed peace and safety).
- Four---The PA should get the West Bank, but no right of return to the remainder of Israel.

PUTTING IT IN PERSPECTIVE

- Israel is asking for a time factor in any peace treaty that it signs.
- It is too early to tell if Pres. Obama's plan will include a time factor of 7 years.
- But dividing Israel & Jerusalem is setting the stage for the Battle of Armageddon.
- If the world is close to that, the Church is even closer to the Rapture.

WHAT CAN WE DO

- Pray for ourselves, loved ones, leaders, etc.
- Make our salvation sure.
- Stick to the Scriptures.
- Be faithful, give, serve & help others.
- Desire heavenly things more than earthly things.
- Get the Word out to all we can.
- Trust Christ because He will take care of His own.

HELP US SPREAD THE WORD

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AND AMEN!