

## Bible Prophecy Update – November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

- For today's update, I want to draw your attention to the global upheaval and how that God in His Word foretold it would happen.
- In all the years that I've been both studying and teaching Bible prophecy, it's the accuracy with which God foretells the future.
- Namely, that everything we're seeing take place in the world today is exactly as God said it would be at the time of the rapture.

Matthew 24:1–8 - 1 Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. 2 “Do you see all these things?” he asked. “Truly I tell you, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.” 3 As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. “Tell us,” they said, “when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?” 4 Jesus answered: “Watch out that no one deceives you. 5 For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Messiah,’ and will deceive many. 6 You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. 7 Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. 8 All these are the beginning of birth pains.

- Fast forward some two thousand years later and we see the prophetic birth pains increasing in their frequency and intensity.
- So much so, that after the fulfillment of this prophecy in 70AD, Israel is back in the land and seeking to rebuild the third temple.
- However, the specificity with which Bible prophecy foretells this indicates that it will come on the heels of war and destruction.

Zechariah 12:1–3 - 1 A prophecy: The word of the LORD concerning Israel. The LORD, who stretches out the heavens, who lays the foundation of the earth, and who forms the human spirit within a person, declares: 2 “I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling. Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem. 3 On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.

I would suggest “that day” is today as evidenced by this Jerusalem Post report about how Avigdor Liberman, in referring to comments by IAF Chief Maj.-Gen. Norkin, is saying that Israel is in an emergency security situation. “When IAF Commander Maj.-Gen. Norkin warns that the challenge of aerial defense is becoming more complex and the threat of missiles and rockets is now being joined by drones and cruise missiles and when the IDF is deploying David's Sling and Arrow defense systems, it means we are in an emergency situation...”  
<https://www.jpost.com/printarticle.aspx?id=606551>

If this weren't bad enough, Israel's emergency security situation comes at a time when Israel believes it can no longer look to or count on the U.S. - According to The Times of Israel “Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told a group of ministers that they should not expect the US to take serious action against Iran for at least the next year...” ... Several weeks ago, Netanyahu told cabinet members in a closed-door meeting that US President Donald Trump would not act against Iran until US general elections in November 2020 at the earliest, according to the report.  
[https://www.timesofisrael.com/netanyahu-told-ministers-us-cant-be-counted-on-against-iran-report/?fbclid=IwAR0AIJX0hm6DM1O4P6O\\_uYRR8fbIMDzB9qjism\\_HEhAhZW52LWGYF1D3y4A](https://www.timesofisrael.com/netanyahu-told-ministers-us-cant-be-counted-on-against-iran-report/?fbclid=IwAR0AIJX0hm6DM1O4P6O_uYRR8fbIMDzB9qjism_HEhAhZW52LWGYF1D3y4A)

Speaking of elections, The Jerusalem Post is reporting that a third Israeli election is looking likely with the ongoing coalition talks ending in a deadlock.  
<https://www.jpost.com/printarticle.aspx?id=606356>

I suppose this Ynet News report should come as no surprise. The Departing U.S. special envoy Jason Greenblatt said on Thursday in an interview with the Al-Arabia Network that the current time is inappropriate for the publication of the Trump administration's peace plan for Israel and the Palestinians, also known as “the deal of the century”, given the delay in the Israeli government's coalition formation process.  
<https://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-5616804,00.html>

- We'll end the way we began concerning how it is that only God can foretell with 100% accuracy what will happen in the end.
- It's for this reason that no other religious writings have prophecies foretelling future events; it's only God and the Word of God.

Isaiah 41:21–23 - 21 “Present your case,” says the LORD. “Bring forth your strong reasons,” says the King of Jacob. 22 “Let them bring forth and show us what will happen; Let them show the former things, what they were, That we may consider them, And know the latter end of them; Or declare to us things to come. 23 Show the things that are to come hereafter, That we may know that you are gods; Yes, do good or do evil, That we may be dismayed and see it together.

Isaiah 46:9–10 - 9 Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, ‘My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,’

- This is why we do these weekly prophecy updates and end with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the simple ABC's of Salvation.
- The Gospel, or good news is that Jesus was crucified, buried, rose again on the third day, and is coming back for us one day.

**The ABC's of Salvation** - The A is for Admit you're a sinner and your need for the Savior, (Romans 3:10, 23 – 6:23).

- The B is for Believe in your heart that Jesus is Lord and God raised Him from the dead, (Romans 10:9-10).

- The C is for Call upon the name of the Lord and confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord, (Romans 10:9-10, 13).