

#2 Last Days End Times Ezekiel 36-39

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Ezekiel, chapters 36, 37, 38 and 39 is a wonderful section of Prophecy pointing to and describing the End Times, approximately the final 150 years before the Lord Jesus Christ returns in Glory, to destroy all His enemies, send the Antichrist and False Prophet directly to the Lake of Fire, bind and confine Satan in the Bottomless Pit and to finally establish His Glorious Kingdom, ruling and reigning over all the Earth as we, His beloved Bride, rule and reign with Him for 1000 years and then forever.

In Ezekiel 36, God prophesies to the Land of Israel that He will fully restore the Land to be that promised place, flowing with milk and honey. This restoration of the land began around the end of the 19th Century, the 1800's, as Jews began to trickle back into their land as pioneers.

In chapter 37, God prophesies to the people of Israel who were scattered among the nations and driven to the point of extinction, a nation of people who were dead, just piles of dry bones, reminiscent of the photos of the piles of dead, emaciated bodies of Jews in the newly liberated Nazi concentration camps. God tells Ezekiel that these piles of dead, dry bones will rise again in the Last Days; He will restore the people and finally place them back into their own land. That prophecy was partially fulfilled on May 14, 1948 when the World's sympathy was for the Jews after the Nazi Holocaust was fully revealed. That prophecy will find its complete fulfillment when Jesus Christ returns to rule and reign over all the Earth with David as the eternal king over Israel. Remember, Jesus Christ will be the King of kings and Lord of lords, ruling and reigning forever. But under Him... kings and lords will rule over every nation, city and neighborhood on Earth. We will rule and reign with Him, under Him and, depending on how we have conducted ourselves here and now, that will decide how much authority we will be privileged to exercise. David will rule as King over Israel forever. 37:24,25

In chapters 38 and 39, God is speaking directly to Gog, the leader of Magog whom many believe to be Vladimir Putin. We don't know, yet, how the current war which he has instigated will end. Personally, I believe that what we're seeing is the partial fulfillment, now, of chapters 38 and 39.

By invading Ukraine, Putin will have much greater access into the Black Sea which then becomes his highway down through the Bosphorus Straits, the narrow waterway which separates Europe from Asia, into the Mediterranean Sea and right down to the shores of Syria and Israel. When Gog of Magog does come down, it will be with a coalition of Muslim nations to attempt to invade Israel but he and all his hordes will be miraculously destroyed on the mountains of Israel; 5/6ths of all their armies will be destroyed.

So, let's begin in chapter 36: here, God is speaking to the Land, itself, of its coming back to life; Ezekiel 36:1: 'Also, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD: ² Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, 'Aha, even the ancient high places are ours in possession,' ³ Therefore prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they have made you (the Land) desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, and ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and are an infamy (disgrace) of the people:

⁴ Therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a prey and derision to the residue of the heathen that are round about; ⁵ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, (Edom, S.E. Israel) which have appointed my land into their possession with the joy of all their heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey. ⁶ Prophesy therefore **concerning the land of Israel**, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye (the Land) have borne the shame of the heathen: ⁷ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have lifted up mine hand; surely the heathen that are about you, they shall bear their shame. ⁸ **But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.** (Where have we heard something similar to that verse? Jesus referred directly to this Prophecy when He said, '**Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet**

tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: ³³ So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. ³⁴ Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.' Matt 24:32) Jesus directly linked these two passages together, indicating that they were, in fact, a Prophecy for the End Times, the time just before His return, in the clouds, for us at the Rapture.

Continuing in Ezekiel 36: ⁹For, behold, I am for you, (the Land) and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown: ¹⁰ And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded: ¹¹ And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I am the LORD. ¹² Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, even my people Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them of men... ¹⁹ ...And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them... they profaned my holy name... ²¹ But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went. ²² Therefore say unto the house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, **but for mine holy name's sake**, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. ²³ And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you (Israel) before their eyes. ²⁴ For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. (This was partially fulfilled on May 14, 1948 but will be completely fulfilled when Jesus Christ returns) ²⁵ Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. ²⁶ A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. (God did this very thing already, for us, at the Cross; at the moment we fully trust the Lord Jesus Christ for our Salvation, we are born again and are new creations) ²⁸ And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God... (Always remember: Israel is the Earthly People of God; the complete fulfillment of all God's promises to them will be accomplished on the Earth: first, for 1000 years and then forever on the newly created Earth. We, the Bride of Jesus Christ, are the Heavenly People of God; God's work in us was completed at the Cross while He continues to Sanctify us until we receive the final completion of our Salvation, at the Rapture, when we receive our new, glorified eternal bodies, like Jesus Christ's own Body.) ... ³² Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you; be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel. ³³ Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded. ³⁴ And the desolate land shall be tilled... ³⁵ And they shall say, 'This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced, and are inhabited.' (The partial fulfillment of this Prophecy will be seen in Chapter 37 and then, more so, on May 14, 1948 and then, finally and completely fulfilled when Jesus Christ returns to Earth to personally rule and reign for 1000 years and then forever.) ⁶ Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined places, and plant that which was desolate: I the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it. ³⁷ Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will yet for this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them; (They will pray to Me, for this, and I will answer and do it.) I will increase them with men like a flock. ³⁸ As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men and they shall know that I am the LORD.

What did we just read? Israel was unfaithful to God. God scattered them among the nations. The residue of the heathen possessed God's Land. The '*Palestinians*,' today, are that residue of the heathen; they are the Godless descendants of the Moabites, the Edomites, the Ammonites, the Amalekites, the Canaanites and the Philistines. All of them were dispossessed of the Land, by God, when He led the Israelites into the Promised

Land but the Israelites were not faithful to fully drive out the heathen nations and so, they lived with them and were drawn into their heathen idolatry and imorality.

From AD 70, when Rome destroyed Jerusalem and drove Israel out, upward and away to be scattered among the Nations until the End Times when God would draw them back to their land and they would be established again in the land which God gave them as an inheritance forever, for that 1900 years the land would lie dormant and increasingly dead, devoid of plants, animals and people; it became a swamp laden wasteland.

In 1867, before the Last Days return of the Jews, Mark Twain visited Israel and Jerusalem. He wrote: "The further we went the hotter the sun got, and the more rocky and bare, repulsive and dreary the landscape became...There was hardly a tree or a shrub anywhere. Even the olive and the cactus, those fast friends of a worthless soil, had almost deserted the country". He wrote, "Palestine is desolate and unlovely. And why should it be otherwise? Can the curse of the Deity beautify a land?" Even Mark Twain, Samuel Clemens, an atheist and always antagonistic of religion, recognized that Israel was a wasteland because it was under the curse of God.

Fifty years later, Great Britain, the dominate Empire on Earth, agreed that the Jews should be allowed back into their own land, to possess it and to remain there. The **Balfour Declaration** was a November 2, 1917 letter from British Foreign Secretary Arthur James Balfour to Lord Rothschild, a Jew lobbying for a Jewish National Homeland, which made public the British support of a Jewish homeland in Palestine. The Balfour Declaration led the League of Nations to entrust the United Kingdom with the Palestine Mandate in 1922. All of the Land of Israel should be given to the Jews while all the land of TransJordan was to be the national homeland of the 'Palestinians'. Great Britain never fulfilled this promise but the Jews began to return anyway while having to, finally, fight a war of independence to take back their long promised homeland by force.

Just so you know... the 'Palestinians' in the 'West Bank,' in Gaza and in the refugee camps of Jordan, Egypt and Lebanon who, to this day, embrace the lie that their land was stolen and they've been restricted from returning to their homes... the truth is, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, who had previously colluded with Hitler, and now, in collusion with Jordan, Egypt, Syria and other Muslim nations ordered the 'Palestinians' living in Israel to leave, to abandon their homes and properties so that all of the surrounding Muslim nations could more easily attack, defeat, destroy and completely drive every Jew from Israel and into the Sea. That was their plan but God had planned differently; the Jews won a miraculous victory and refused to allow reentry of any 'Palestinians' who had left. They did not force Palistinians to leave but neither did they allow those that left to return. God was beginning to take back His Land in fulfillment of the Ezekiel 36, 37.

The **Balfour Declaration** committed Great Britain to allowing the creation of two new States in the Middle East: Jewish Palestine and TransJordan Arab Palestine. It stated: ... 'His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavours to facilitate the achievement of this object...' Nov 2, 1917

But a funny thing happened on the way to Britain's promise: Israel was created as a sliver of what was promised and TransJordan somehow morphed into a brand new Muslim kingdom: Jordan, while all the boundary lines were rewritten into the lie that this tiny sliver of Israel was what was promised all along.

By the way... with that broken promise, that betrayal of God and His People, God chose to remove His Hand of protection and prosperity which had been upon Great Britain; from that time till now, we've seen the painful disintegration of what had been the greatest and most powerful Empire to ever rule on Earth... now Great Britain is no longer Great; it is a weak and empty shell of its former glory. Every Earthly Nation that has come against God's Earthly People has already, or will, meet a similar, disastrous end.

God bound Himself to Israel, His Earthly People, as a loyal husband binds himself to his wife, even if she is unfaithful. We see this in the Book of Hosea. God will forever honor His commitment and 'marriage' to Israel. But God, in His Son, has bound Himself even more completely to us, His Bride: He not only loves us completely, He has bound Himself so fully to us that He has made us One with Him... He is us and we in Him. The union of husband and wife and their supernatural oneness through the full intimacy of marriage... that is

but a shadow of the true oneness we now have, in Him, which will eventually contain body, soul and spirit... we will, at the moment of the Rapture, finally be fully one with our Eternal Bridegroom, our Eternal Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

All that we are seeing, now, in the Middle East and just North of the Middle East, with Russia and Ukraine, is in fulfillment or leading to the fulfillment of these great Prophecies in Ezekiel chapters 36-39.

Chapter 36 is God promising to restore the Land itself, that tiny piece of Earth that God chose for Himself and upon which He would plant His chosen Earthly People.

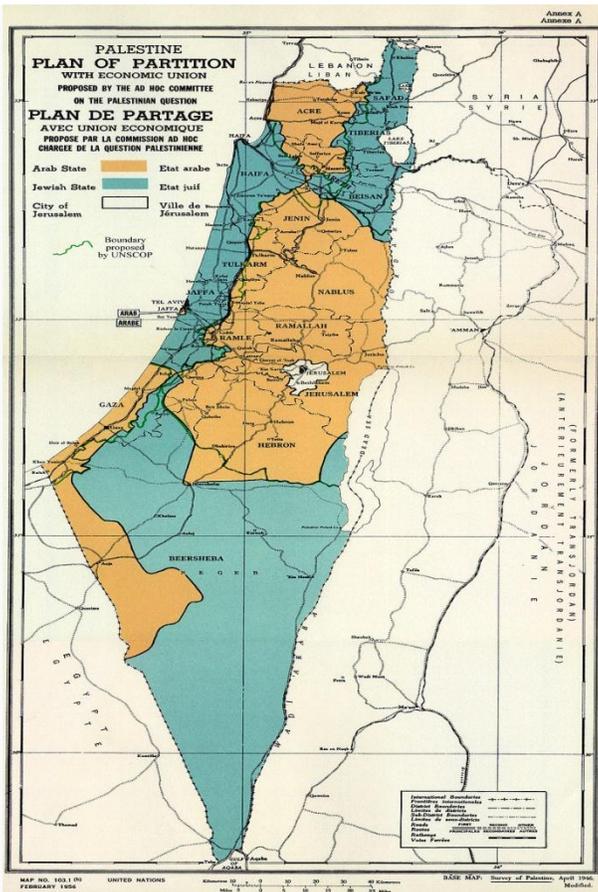
Now, as we move into chapter 37... God is Prophecying to His Earthly People who are scattered among the Nations and to their condition of being almost completely dead... represented by piles and piles of dead, dry bleached bones.

Next week we will begin with Ezekiel chapter 37... the dry bones...

Here is the true map that was planned, in 1922 with the Partition of the British Mandate for the lands of Israel and the Palestinians:



Following is the map of lies which the entire World embraces: a tiny sliver for Israel, big chunks for the Palestinians while creating a brand new kingdom: Jordan out of Southern Syria: these were the famous 'pre-1967 boundaries they are so quick to call for and to demand!



But then, with the miraculous victory in 1967 which saw the same Muslim nations, again, attempting to wipe Israel from the World Map, Israel took back even more of their land including the 'West Bank' and Gaza where they allow the Palestinians to rule themselves, for now...

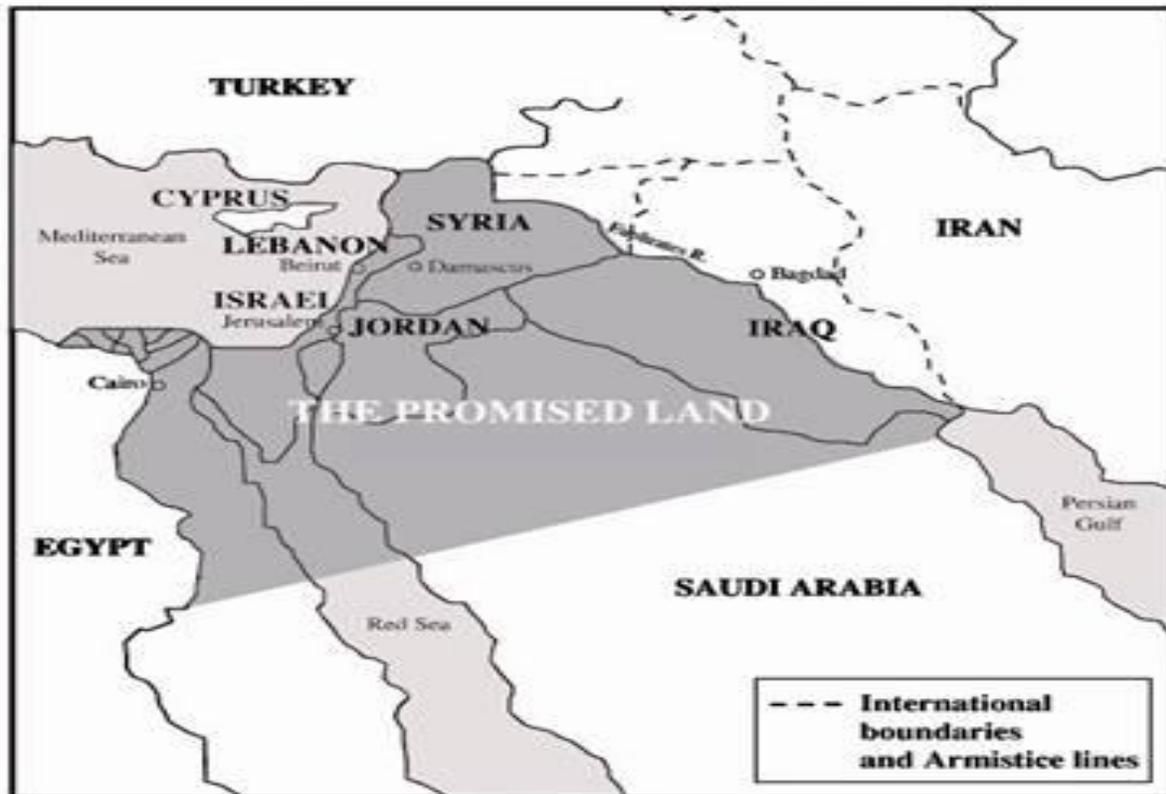
By the way, the Palestinians ruling themselves is nothing short of being a disastrous 'basket case' of complete and utter evil and incompetence... even with the United Nations pouring millions and billions of dollars into the lying, thieving leadership which only uses all that money to enrich themselves and to pay for ongoing terrorism, especially from Gaza and Lebanon.

Here, then, is the progression of Israel back into their Land:



And, soon after 2022, we trust this will finally be the true borders of Israel. Here is the map of all the Land God promised to Abraham and His descendants forever!

**The Israel of Theodore Herzl (1904)
and of Rabbi Fischmann (1947)**



And here is the area that dominates today's news: Russian into Ukraine and finally into Israel:

