

# SIGNS OF OUR TIMES

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*Psal'm 119:105*

Zechariah 12:2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling {poison} unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. 3 And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

## TROUBLE IN THE HOLY CITY

### Erdogan Calls for Holy War Against Israel

Erdogan essentially called for a **Muslim holy war against Israel** by urging "all Muslims around the world to go on a pilgrimage to al-Aqsa, to Palestine – if they are able to – or find a way and help our brothers therein if they're unable to travel. The more we defend al-Aqsa, the fiercer the resistance will be. If Israeli soldiers are dirtying al-Aqsa with their boots, the reason is we fail to defend it decently. Let's defend Palestine just as we defend Mecca and Medina."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu slammed Erdogan for his hypocrisy. "It would be interesting to see what Erdogan would say to the residents of Northern Cyprus or to the Kurds. Erdogan is the last one who can preach to Israel," Netanyahu said, relating to Turkey's brutal suppression of the Kurds and its occupation of parts of Cyprus.

Israel's Foreign Ministry dismissed Erdogan remarks as "absurd, unfounded and distorted."

"He would be better off dealing with the difficult problems facing his own country," the statement said. Turkey has recently been facing months of turmoil, violence, terrorism and the curbing of basic human rights.

**"The days of the Ottoman Empire have passed,"** the statement read, stressing that **"Jerusalem was, is, and will always be the capital of the Jewish people."**

Seemingly relating to the Ottoman's rule in Jerusalem, the ministry underscored that "in stark contrast to the past, the government in Jerusalem is committed to security, liberty, freedom of worship and respect for the rights of all minorities."

The ministry concluded by cautioning that: "those who live in glass palaces should be wary of casting stones."

### WILL ISRAEL NEVER LEARN?

A former Member of the Knesset reasoned that "the Arabs consider **Israel's claim to Jerusalem** could not be so important if, after capturing the city in 1967, they immediately **surrendered it back to Jordan!**"

**This unfortunate mistake by Israel** of returning the administration of the Temple Mount to the *Waft* is reminiscent of former times when Israel was guilty of similar acts of rebellion!

1. **King Saul spared Agag, king of Amalek.** As a result, Samuel the prophet was instructed to transfer the royal line to **David**.
2. **King Ahab spared Benhadad, the king of Syria.** As a result, God said: "Because thou hast let go out of thy hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction, therefore thy life shall go for his life, and thy people for his people."
3. **On the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2005 Ariel Sharon surrendered the Gaza Strip to the Arabs** which Hamas took over from Fatah in 2007.

The result has been continuous war with Hamas and loss of many Israeli and Arab lives – but most notably the fulfilment of an ancient prophecy against Ariel Sharon himself!

**Zechariah 11: 17 Woe to the idol shepherd that leaves the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.**

We are now living in *the very last days of Gentile times*. The Prime Minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu is aware of this fact and, being a Bible student, knows that **Jerusalem is the future capital of the Kingdom from which Messiah will reign!**

***He is not likely to make the same mistake again!***

**Netanyahu supports bill annexing surrounding towns into Greater Jerusalem | July 27, 2017 | By: World Israel News**

***A bill strengthening Jerusalem and its environs has received Netanyahu's support.***

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Wednesday expressed his support for a legislation bill that calls for **the incorporation of towns surrounding Jerusalem into the Israeli capital**, essentially annexing them to Israel in the process.

The **Greater Jerusalem Law**, proposed by Member of Knesset (MK) Yoav Kisch, would incorporate Givat Ze'ev to the northwest of Jerusalem as well Beitar Illit and the Etzion bloc of communities, which are situated southwest of Jerusalem, and Ma'aleh Adumim, to Jerusalem's municipal boundaries – thus creating a greater metropolitan area and, in effect, annexing those Israel communities, which serve as home to some 150,000 Israelis.

The bill also proposes turning Arab villages in the area that lie outside the security barrier into an independent municipality within Greater Jerusalem.

The Prime Minister's Office stated that Netanyahu informed Kisch of his support on Wednesday and told him to bring it to the Ministerial Committee for Legislation when the Knesset returns from its recess in October, *The Jerusalem Post* reported Kisch said he was "glad the prime minister supports this move that would strengthen the Jewish majority in the capital, through Greater Jerusalem."

## GOD HAS THE FINAL SOLUTION

Joel 3:16 "The LORD also shall **roar out of Zion**, and utter his voice **from Jerusalem**; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel. 17 So shall ye know that **I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion**, my holy mountain: **then shall Jerusalem be holy**, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more. 19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land. 20 **But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.** 21 For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion."

And in the words of Obadiah 18: **Not be any remaining of the house of Esau!**

## Germany on its Way to Fulfill Role as Israel's Biblical Arch-Enemy Amalek

By Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz July 10, 2017 , 11:30 am | from **Breaking Israel News**.

And Hashem said unto Moshe: 'Write this for a memorial in the book, and rehearse it in the ears of Yehoshua: for I will utterly blot out the remembrance of **Amalek** from under heaven.'" Exodus 17:14 (The Israel Bible™)

In a development that threatens the global balance of power, **Angela Merkel, the Chancellor of Germany**, has made several public announcements recently questioning the importance of the alliance between her country and the United States. One prominent End-of-Days scholar believes this development has powerful implications and will culminate in **Germany revealing its true identity as Israel's Biblical nemesis**.

As a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), Germany is an ally of the United States. At an election rally in Munich last week, Merkel rejected friendship with the US, stating, "**We Europeans truly must take our fate into our own hands, we must fight for our own destiny, on our own**".



**Rabbi Pinchas Winston**, a prolific author and End-of-Days expert, noted that Germany's rejection of its Western alliance is an enormously significant turning point in history, **reminiscent of German foreign policy before the world wars**. He

emphasised that this move raises important questions.

"I've been wondering for a long time when Germany will reject the West and return to this aspect of their inherent nature," Rabbi Winston cited Proverbs to make his point.

*The king's heart is in the hand of Hashem as the watercourses: He turneth it whithersoever He will. {Proverbs 21:1}*

Rabbi Winston said that by isolating themselves, Germany will begin to express their unique national character. The rabbi stated that every nation has a unique spiritual nature, noting an obscurity that describes that of Germany.

Rabbi Winston related a portion from the Talmud (Megillah 6b), which discusses "Germamia", explaining that this is **an aspect of the nation of Edom**, which, if brought together, would have unlimited power to accomplish their goal of destroying the world. **Most notably, the Jewish people's Biblical nemesis, Amalek, is descended from Edom.**

Shabbethai ben Joseph Bass, a 17th century Biblical commentator known as the Siftei Chochomim, identified *Germania* as **Amalek**, or in modern terms, **Germany**. (Abridged) "This is a form of prophecy, though it only hints at what is to come," Rabbi Winston explained. "**There is certainly an aspect of Germany that is connected to that aspect of Amalek**. They sought the destruction of the entire world even at the expense of their own country in World War II, and nearly succeeded."

This, Rabbi Winston noted, was precisely the nature of the Biblical nation of **Amalek**: harming others even if it meant self-destruction. *During their Exodus from Egypt, Israel requested to pass through the lands belonging to Amalek (?). Rather than allow them to do so, the Amalekites attacked the Hebrews from behind, targeting the weak stragglers*. This is disturbingly similar to the Nazi eugenics program, which sought to improve the human race, by a program of targeted eugenics, weeding out those non-Aryans deemed unfit. This program, referred to as the 'Final Solution', was adhered to even when the resources were sorely needed for Germany's war effort. Merkel is coming in the guise of social justice, but her actions are ultimately destructive."

**The Rabbi has raised a point:** (Strong) The Hebrew for **Agag** is אגג - **Greek 1136 αγγ**; **n pr m**; that for **Gog** גוג - **Greek 1136 γγγ**; **n pr m**; the names are analogous!

### THE MILLS OF GOD GRIND SLOWLY, BUT THEY GRIND EXCEEDING FINE

The nation of **Amalek**, or one of its malevolent chiefs, periodically make dramatic entry onto the stage of Scripture.

1. Their first appearance is related in the **Book of Exodus Chapter 17** – see above.
2. **Judges Chapter 5** describes a confederacy under Eglon, king of Moab who seconded the Ammonites and **Amalekites** to attack Israel.
3. God instructed **King Saul** through Samuel the prophet to annihilate the tribe of **Amalek** – but Saul saved **Agag**, their vicious, murderous king – whom Samuel despatched. It cost Saul his dynasty! [See **1st Samuel ch.15**]
4. In the **Book of Esther**, we meet "*that wicked Haman*" – an **Agagite**. This man, like **Adolf Hitler**, contrived to destroy the Jews, but was thwarted by a beautiful Jewess, Queen Esther.

I have purposely omitted the prophecy of **Balaam** in which he (*reluctantly*) saw a vision of the **Last Days** when **Jesus**, as the "**Star out of Jacob**" arises to destroy the whole confederacy of **Arab nations** – and in which **Amalek** gets a special mention.

**Numbers 24:20** And when he looked on **Amalek**, he took up his parable, and said, **Amalek was the first of the nations; but his latter end shall be that he perishes for ever**.

To confirm this, the destruction of the **Arab nations** is repeated in **Psalm 83** – **specially Amalek!**

**1 O God, do not keep silence; do not hold your peace or be still, O God! 2 For behold, your enemies make an uproar; those who hate you have raised their heads.**

**3 They lay crafty plans against your people; they consult together against your treasured ones. 4 They say, "Come, let us wipe them out as a nation; let the name of Israel be remembered no more!" 5 For they conspire with one accord; against you they make a covenant— 6 the tents of Edom (or Esau) and the Ishmaelites; Moab (Jordan) and the Hagarites (Saudi and Gulf States), 7 Gebal and Ammon and Amalek, Philistia (Gaza) with the inhabitants of Tyre (Lebanon); 8 Asshur (Syria) also has joined them;**

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**they are the strong arm of the children of Lot. —  
Selah [ESV]**

It is obvious from the closing words of the Psalm, that this is the **final battle** between **Arab and Jew!**

**Psalm 83:17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish: 18 That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the Most High over all the earth.**

What we are witnessing today is leading very rapidly to this – the **Battle of Armageddon** followed by **great earthquake** which will **announce the arrival of the KING OF KINGS and LORD of LORDS** and He shall reign **forever and ever. Amen**

***"Even so, Come! Lord Jesus". YBIC, Arthur Wright***