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World War III — Ezekiel / Zechariah

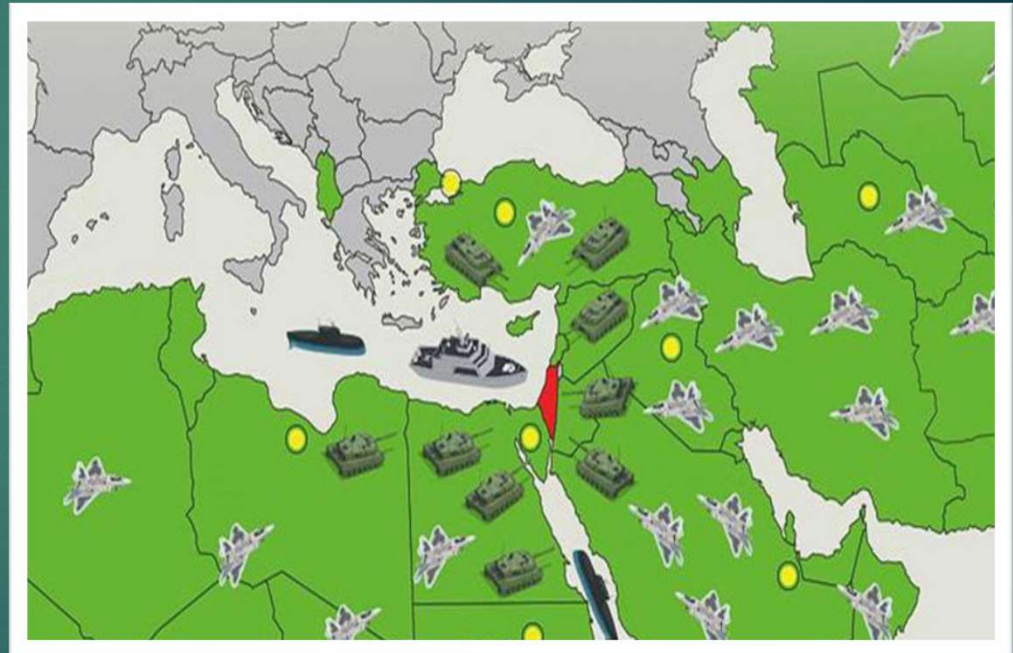


Gogian Attack on Israel

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Zechariah 12:8,9



Ezekiel 38:1-6 – The Instrument

“The word of the LORD came to me: *"Son of man, set your face toward Gog, of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal,* and prophesy against him and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal; *and I will turn you about, and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you forth, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great company,* all of them with buckler and shield, wielding swords; Persia, Cush, and Put are with them, all of them with shield and helmet; Gomer and all his hordes; Beth-togarmah from the uttermost parts of the north with all his hordes—many peoples are with you.

Ezekiel 38:7,8 – The Target

"Be ready and keep ready, you and all the hosts that are assembled about you, and be a guard for them. *After many days you will be mustered; in the latter years you will go against the land that is restored from war, the land where people were gathered from many nations upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste; its people were brought out from the nations and now dwell securely, all of them.*"

Ezekiel 38:9-12 – The Plan

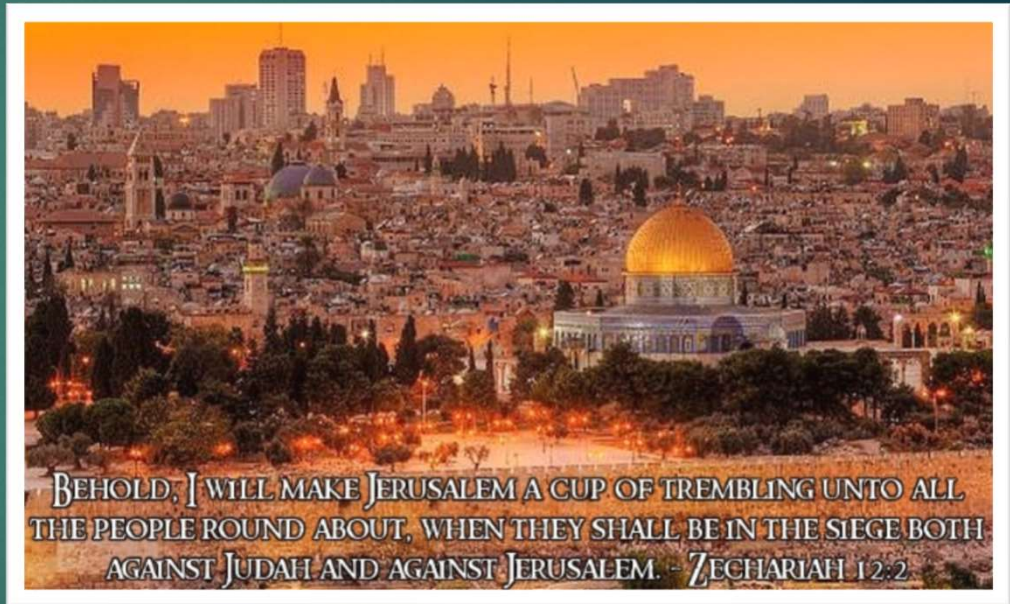
You will advance, coming on like a storm, you will be like a cloud covering the land, you and all your hordes, and many peoples with you. *"Thus says the Lord GOD: On that day thoughts will come into your mind, and you will devise an evil scheme and say, 'I will go up against the land of unwalled villages; I will fall upon the quiet people who dwell securely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having no bars or gates'; to seize spoil and carry off plunder; to assail the waste places which are now inhabited, and the people who were gathered from the nations, who have gotten cattle and goods, who dwell at the center of the earth."*

Jerusalem Almost Destroyed

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Zechariah 12:2,3



Zechariah 14:1,2

“Behold, a day of the LORD is coming, when the spoil taken from you will be divided in the midst of you.

For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women ravished; half of the city shall go into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.”

Jesus Reveals Himself to Israel

“And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.”

Zechariah 12:10,11



Devastation World Wide

“On that day the LORD will put a shield about the inhabitants of Jerusalem so that the feeblest among them on that day shall be like David, and the house of David shall be like God, like the angel of the LORD, at their head. And on that day *I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.*”

Zechariah 12:8,9

Zechariah 14:3-5

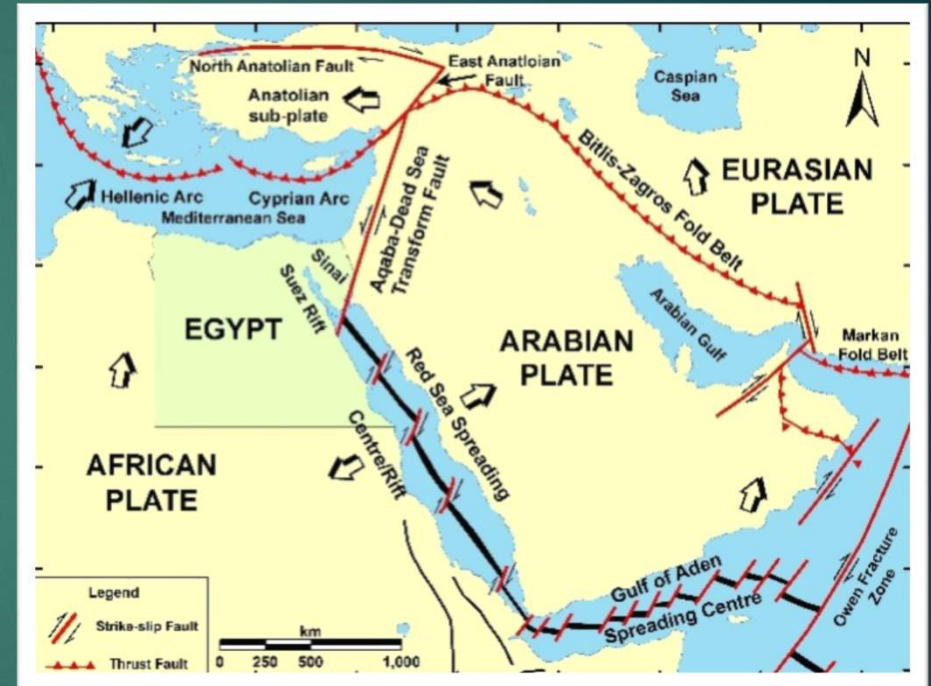
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On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives which lies before Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley; so that one half of the Mount shall withdraw northward, and the other half southward.

And the valley of my mountains shall be stopped up, for the valley of the mountains shall touch the side of it; and you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD your God will come, and all the holy ones with him.”

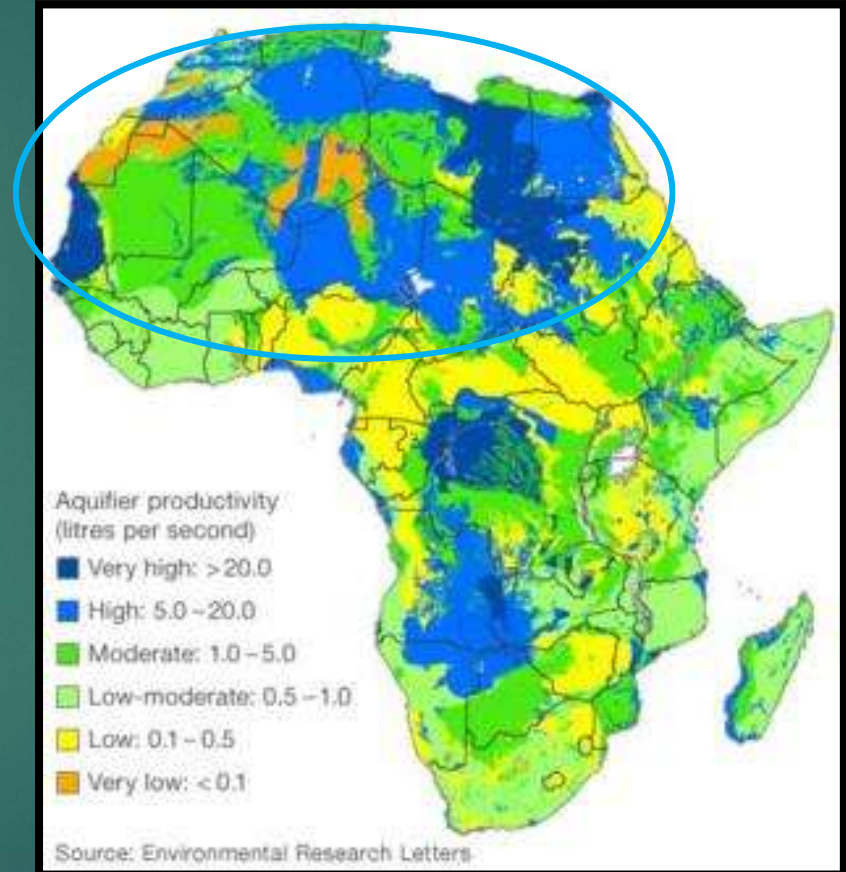
Rift Valley

- ▶ From Africa through Israel, Turkey, Europe.
- ▶ When it goes the world will feel it.
- ▶ Description in Zechariah is exactly how geologists say it will move.
- ▶ The Dead Sea will become alive.



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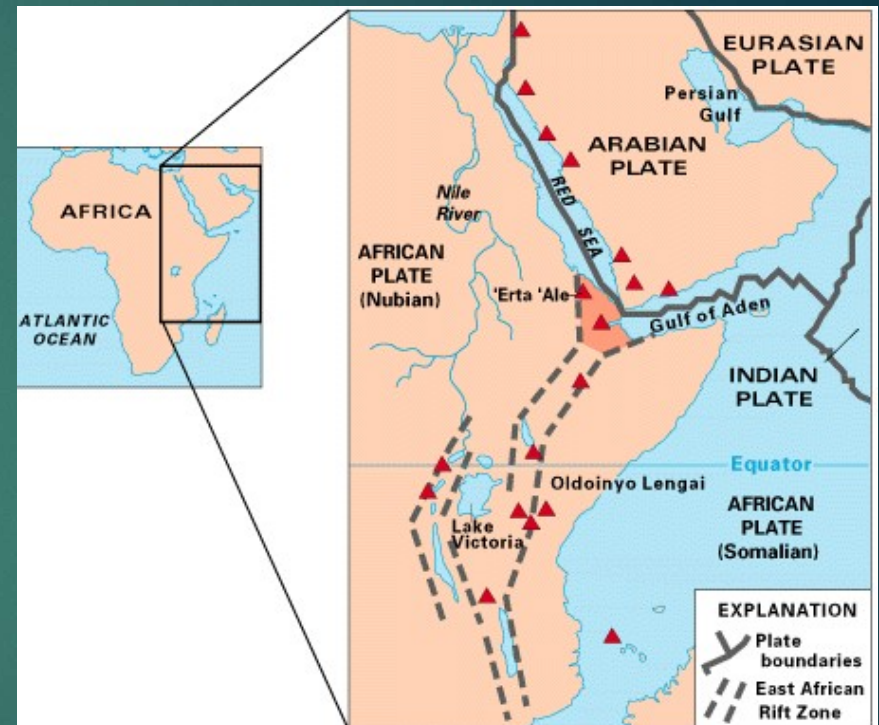
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Jesus' Return

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Zechariah 14:4



Zechariah 14:13-15

“And on that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will lay hold on the hand of his fellow, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other; even Judah will fight against Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the nations round about shall be collected, gold, silver, and garments in great abundance.

And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the asses, and whatever beasts may be in those camps.”



Ezekiel 38:18-20 - Intervention

“But on that day, when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, says the Lord GOD, my wrath will be roused. For in my jealousy and in my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; the fish of the sea, and the birds of the air, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the cliffs shall fall, and every wall shall tumble to the ground.”

Ezekiel 38:21-23 – Gogian Destruction

“I will summon every kind of terror against Gog, says the Lord GOD; every man's sword will be against his brother. With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him; and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples that are with him, torrential rains and hailstones, fire and brimstone.

So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD.”

Confusion in Battle (1 Samuel 14:15-23)

“And there was a panic in the camp, in the field, and among all the people; the garrison and even the raiders trembled; the earth quaked; *and it became a very great panic*. And the watchmen of Saul in Gibe-ah of Benjamin looked; and behold, the multitude was surging hither and thither...

Then Saul and all the people who were with him rallied and went into the battle; and behold, every man's sword was against his fellow, *and there was very great confusion*. Now the Hebrews who had been with the Philistines before that time and who had gone up with them into the camp, even they also turned to be with the Israelites who were with Saul and Jonathan.

Likewise, when all the men of Israel who had hid themselves in the hill country of Ephraim heard that the Philistines were fleeing, they too followed hard after them in the battle.

So the LORD delivered Israel that day; and the battle passed beyond Beth-aven.

Judgment of Gog – Ezekiel 39:1-6

"And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal; *and I will turn you about and drive you forward, and bring you up from the uttermost parts of the north, and lead you against the mountains of Israel; then I will strike your bow from your left hand, and will make your arrows drop out of your right hand.*

You shall fall upon the mountains of Israel, you and all your hordes and the peoples that are with you; I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the wild beasts to be devoured.

You shall fall in the open field; for I have spoken, says the Lord GOD. *I will send fire on Magog and on those who dwell securely in the coastlands; and they shall know that I am the LORD."*

The plague upon the armies

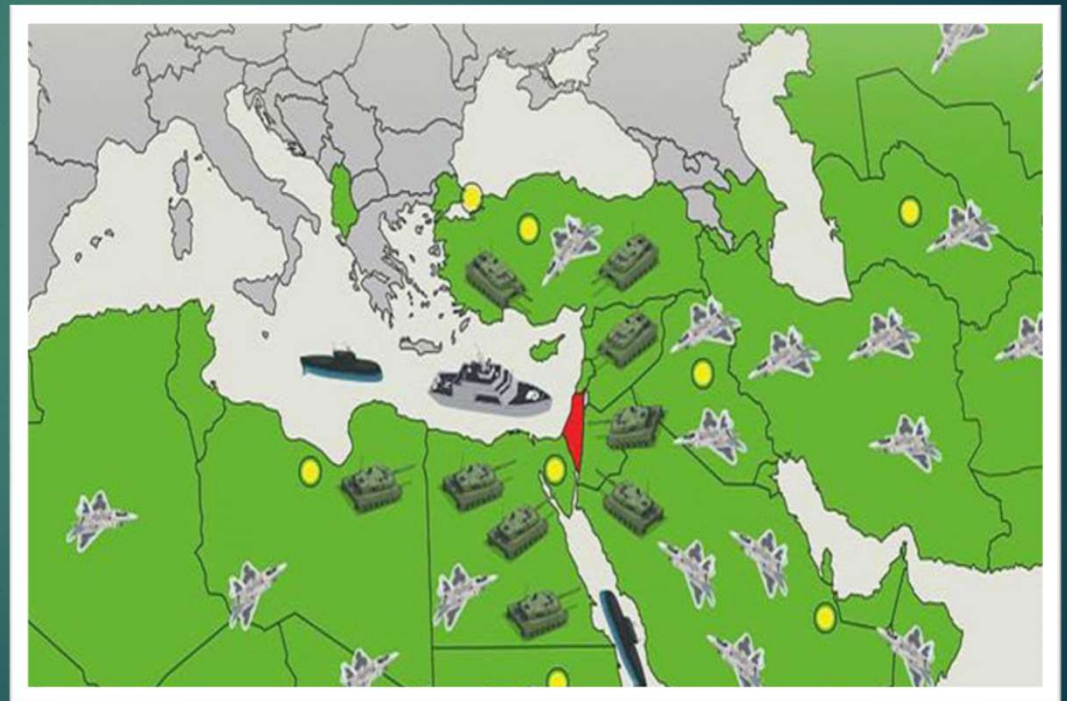
“And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will smite all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh shall rot while they are still on their feet, their eyes shall rot in their sockets, and their tongues shall rot in their mouths.”

Zechariah 14:12



Logistically how could this happen?

- ▶ Multiple targets
- ▶ Multiple military assets
 - ▶ Airforce
 - ▶ Navy
 - ▶ Army
 - ▶ Special Forces
- ▶ Secondary follow-up by the nations who were involved



Sennacherib's Army

"For I will defend this city to save it, for my own sake and for the sake of my servant David."

And that night the angel of the LORD went forth, and slew a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the camp of the Assyrians; and when men arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies.

Then Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went home, and dwelt at Nineveh."

2 Kings 19:34-36

2 Kings 6:14-17

“So he sent there horses and chariots and a great army; and they came by night, and surrounded the city.

When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was round about the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?"

He said, "Fear not, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them."

Then Elisha prayed, and said, "O LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.





So I will make **MY HOLY NAME KNOWN**
in the midst of **MY PEOPLE ISRAEL**, and I will
NOT let them **PROFANE MY HOLY NAME** anymore.
Then the nations shall know that **I AM THE LORD,**
THE HOLY ONE IN ISRAEL.

Ezekiel 39:7 (NKJV)

Gogian Armies Destroyed

Ezekiel 39:8-10

"Behold, it is coming and it will be brought about, says the Lord GOD. That is the day of which I have spoken.

"Then those who dwell in the cities of Israel will go forth and make fires of the weapons and burn them, shields and bucklers, bow and arrows, handpikes and spears, *and they will make fires of them for seven years*; so that they will not need to take wood out of the field or cut down any out of the forests, for they will make their fires of the weapons; they will despoil those who despoiled them, and plunder those who plundered them, says the Lord GOD."



Ezekiel 39:11-15

And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the *noses* of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call *it* The valley of Hamongog. *And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.*

Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them*; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD. *And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.*

And the passengers *that* pass through the land, when *any* seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamongog."



Zechariah 14:9-11

“And the LORD will become king over all the earth; on that day the LORD will be one and his name one.

The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. *But Jerusalem shall remain aloft upon its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's wine presses.*

And it shall be inhabited, for there shall be no more curse; Jerusalem shall dwell in security.

Isaiah 2:1-5

“The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.”

Matthew 24:29-31

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken; then will appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory; *and he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.*"

Revelation 11:13-15

“And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell; seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven. The second woe has passed; behold, the third woe is soon to come.

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever."



Daniel 2:34-36,44-45

“As you looked, a stone was cut out by no human hand, and it smote the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces; then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold, *all together were broken in pieces, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, so that not a trace of them could be found. But the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.*

"This was the dream; now we will tell the king its interpretation.

And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, nor shall its sovereignty be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand for ever; just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. A great God has made known to the king what shall be hereafter. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure."