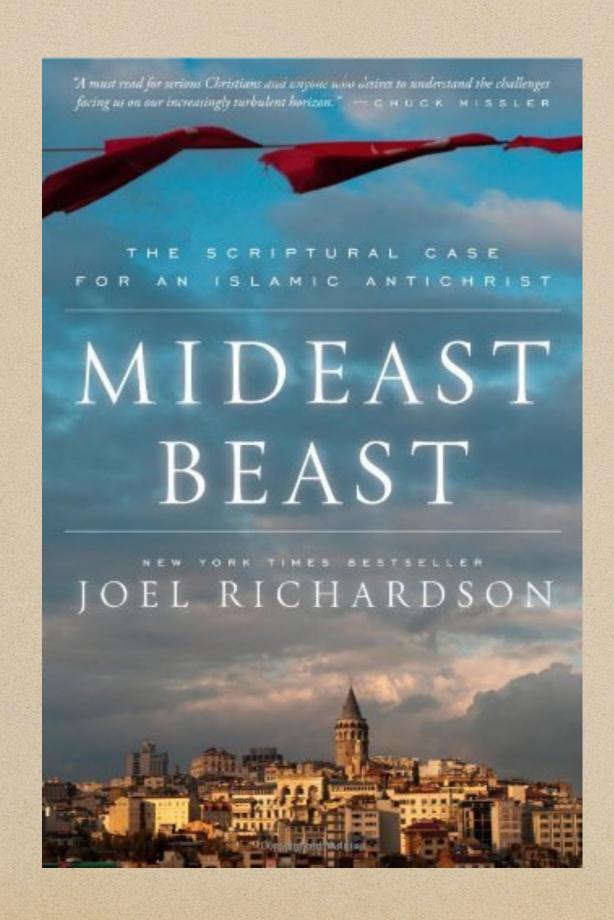
Gog of Magog

Ezekiel 38 & 39

Invasion of Gog of Magog

- Gog is the antichrist
- ◆ He comes from the area of Turkey not Russia
- Invasion is successful and carries away captives
- This invasion ends in the battle called Armageddon
- Israel is restored and enters the Millennial Kingdom

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'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.'

Ezekiel 38:1-3

'And I will turn you about and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you out, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great host, 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; Bethtogarmah from the uttermost parts of the north with all his hordes - many peoples are with you. '

Ezekiel 38:4-6

Magog, Meshech and Tubal are in modern-day Turkey (Ezek 38:2)

These sources place Magog, Meshech and Tubal in Turkey:

Daniel I. Block, in the New International Commentary on Ezekiel, The IVP Bible Background Commentary, New Unger's Bible Dictionary, The Catholic Encyclopedia, The Zondervan Atlas of the Bible, Zondervan Illustrated Bible Dictionary, New Moody Atlas of the Bible, Holman Bible Atlas, The IVP Atlas of Bible History, Zondervan Illustrated Bible Backgrounds Commentary.

Gomer and Beth Togarmah are in modern-day Turkey (Ezek 38:6)

These sources place Gomer and Beth Togarmah in Turkey:

Holman Bible Atlas, Oxford Bible Atlas, The IVP Atlas of Bible History, New Bible Atlas, The Macmillan Bible Atlas, Zondervan Atlas of the Bible, Zondervan Illustrated Bible Backgrounds Commentary, New Moody Atlas of the Bible, Baker Bible Atlas

Rosh is not Russia

Thus says the Lord God: Are you he of whom I spoke in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel, who in those days prophesied for years that I would bring you against them? Ezek 38:17

"...challenged numerous prophecy teachers who hold to the Russia-Gog position to show me a single verse from any of the previous prophets where they spoke of a last-days Russian-led invasion of Israel. To date, not a single verse has been offered."

Magog is not Russia

"While practically every popular prophecy book or treatment of Ezekiel places Magog in Russia, this position is almost never given serious credence in the more scholarly reference works. While some say it is not possible to know the location of Magog with any certainty, the overwhelming majority say that Magog likely refers to modern-day Turkey."

Magog is not Russia

The Zondervan Illustrated Bible Dictionary states, "Magog, possibly meaning 'the land of Gog,' was no doubt in Asia Minor [Turkey] and may refer to Lydia.". The IVP Bible Background Commentary lists Magog, Meshech, Tubal, and Togarmah as "sections or peoples in Asia Minor". The New Unger's Bible Dictionary, under the entry for "Magog," states, "It is clear that Lydia [Turkey] is meant, and that by 'Magog,' we must understand, 'the land of Gog.'". The Zondervan Illustrated Bible Backgrounds Commentary places Magog in Anatolia, or modern-day Turkey. The Catholic Encyclopedia states, "It seems more probable that ... Magog should be identified with Lydia [Turkey]. On the other hand, as Mosoch and Thubal were nations belonging to Asia Minor, it would seem from the text of Ezechiel that Magog must be in that part of the world. The Holman Bible Atlas places Magog in Turkey. The New Moody Atlas of the Bible also places Magog in Turkey. The Zondervan Atlas of the Bible places Magog in Turkey. The IVP Atlas of Bible History places Magog in Turkey. Mideast Beast. Joel Richardson.

Turkey vows to 'liberate Al-Aqsa' after turning Hagia Sophia to mosque

The resurrection of Hagia Sophia heralds the Liberation of the Al-Aqsa mosque, the Turkish Presidency website says.

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Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan makes a speech during the re-opening of the Ottoman-era Yildiz Hamidiye mosque in Istanbul, Turkey, August 4, 2017

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King of the North vs. King of the South

"Be ready and keep ready, you and all your 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 whose people were gathered from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste. Its people were brought out from the peoples and now dwell securely, all of them. 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. ' Ezekiel 38:7-9

"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 turn your hand against the waste places that are now inhabited, and the people who were gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell at the center of the earth.

Ezekiel 38:10-12

"Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say to Gog, Thus says the Lord God: On that day when my people Israel are dwelling securely, will you not know it? You will come from your place out of the uttermost parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great host, a mighty army. You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.'

Ezekiel 38:14-16

Gog's invasion will succeed

'Behold, a day is coming for the Lord, when the spoil taken from you will be divided in your midst. For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle.'

Zechariah 14:1-3

Gog's invasion will succeed

'For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.'

Matthew 24:21-22

Gog's invasion will succeed

"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book."

Daniel 12:1

"Thus says the Lord God: Are you he of whom I spoke in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel, who in those days prophesied for years that I would bring you against them? But on that day, the day that Gog shall come against the land of Israel, declares the Lord God, my wrath will be roused in my anger."

Ezekiel 38:17-18

'For in my jealousy and in my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. The fish of the sea and the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the field and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the people who are on 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 38:19-20.

'The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. 'Revelation 16:17-18

'I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares 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 who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur. 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 .'

Ezekiel 38:21-23

'You shall fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your hordes and the peoples who are with you. I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. You shall fall in the open field, for I have spoken, declares the Lord God ... and they shall know that I am the Lord . 'Ezekiel 39:4-6

Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great." And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. 'Revelation 19:17-19

"And my holy name I will make known in the midst of my people Israel, and I will not let my holy name be profaned anymore. And the nations shall know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel. Behold, it is coming and it will be brought about, declares the Lord God. That is the day of which I have spoken."

Ezekiel 39:7-8

"As for you, son of man, thus says the Lord God: Speak to the birds of every sort and to all beasts of the field: 'Assemble and come, gather from all around to the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you, a great sacrificial feast on the mountains of Israel, and you shall eat flesh and drink blood. You shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth -of rams, of lambs, and of he-goats, of bulls, all of them fat beasts of Bashan. And you shall eat fat till you are filled, and drink blood till you are drunk, at the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you. And you shall be filled at my table with horses and charioteers, with mighty men and all kinds of warriors,' declares the Lord God. Ezekiel 39:17-20

"And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. The house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God, from that day forward. And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them. '

Ezekiel 39:21-24

"Therefore thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name. They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations.'

Ezekiel 39:25-27

'Then they shall know that I am the Lord their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore. And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord God."

Ezekiel 39:28-29

- Both are devoured at the great feast of God by birds and beasts (Ezekiel 39:17-20; Revelation 19:17-18).
- Both are destroyed through the greatest earthquake ever described in Scripture (Ezekiel 38:19-20; Revelation 16:18-20).
- Both are attacked with plagues (Ezekiel 38:22; Zechariah 14:12; Habakkuk 3:3-6).
- Both armies attack each other (Ezekiel 38:21; Zechariah 14:13; Daniel 2:41; Genesis 16:12).
- Both consist of the same nations (Ezekiel 38:5; Daniel 11:43).

- ◆ Both come for spoil (Ezekiel 38:10-13; Zechariah 14:1-2; Isaiah 10:5-6; Daniel 11:24).
- ◆ Both come from the north (Ezekiel 38:14-16; 39:1-3; Joel 2:20; Jeremiah 1:14; 6:22).
- Both come from the same region (Ezekiel 38:1–6; Daniel II:40; Isaiah 7:17; 10:12; Micah 5:6).
- Both use false peace and invade when Israel feels secure (Ezekiel 38:12–13; Daniel 8:25; 9:27; 11:24; Isaiah 10:20; 1 Thessalonians 5:2–3).
- Both die from the "sword" of the Lord (Ezekiel 38:21; Revelation 19:15, 21).
- Both fall in the land of Israel (Ezekiel 36:1-6; 38:9; 39:5).

- Both die in Israel (Ezekiel 39:5; Daniel 7:11; 9:27; 11:45; 2 Thessalonians 2:8).
- Both are buried (Ezekiel 39:11; Isaiah 14:13-20).
- After both of their deaths, God's name will never again be blasphemed (Ezekiel 38:23; 39:7; Revelation 20:2; 21:8).
- After both of their deaths, the surviving nations will come to a saving knowledge of God (Ezekiel 39:6-7; Isaiah 11:9; 60:14; Psalm 22:27).

- After both of their deaths, Israel's captives will be delivered (Ezekiel 39:25–28; Zephaniah 2:7; Joel 3:1; Zechariah 9:10–12; Isaiah 61:1–3; Psalm 102:13–16, 19–21).
- After both of their deaths, God will pour out His Spirit on Israel (Ezekiel 39:29; Isaiah 59:20–21; Zechariah 12:9–11).
- After both of their deaths, the survivors of Israel will come to know the Lord forevermore (Ezekiel 20:33–42; 39:22; 2 Kings 19:30–31; Joel 2:32; Micah 4:7; Jeremiah 31:34; Isaiah 10:20; John 17:3; Romans 9:27–28).
- After both of their deaths, Israel will dwell securely in the land for eternity (Ezekiel 39:26, 28; Micah 5; Isaiah 60-66).
- After both of their deaths, Jesus is present in Israel (Ezekiel 38:19–20; 39:7; Revelation 19–21). Mideast Beast. Joel Richardson.

Conclusions from Gog Invasion

- God's name will never again be blasphemed.
- The surviving nations will come to a saving knowledge of God.
- The captives of Israel will be delivered.
- God will pour out His Spirit on Israel.
- The survivors of Israel will come to know the Lord forevermore.
- Israel will dwell securely in their land forever.
- The Lord Himself will reside in the land of Israel.