

Israel News Desk

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The Middle East is in a very unstable & dangerous state as IS continues its war to establish a caliphate & infiltrates more Arab countries. There is little doubt that they are satanically inspired & dedicated to the destruction of Israel & of Christianity. Taken in conjunction with the build up of arms in Syria, Lebanon and Gaza and the increasing involvement of Iran and Russia the whole Middle East situation is fraught with danger – not least for Israel.

As IS continue to gain ascendancy in Syria it is now evident that Russia will increase it's support for President Assad. Already IS control huge swathes of Syria and on the surface it appears to spell the end of President Assad and the Syrian regime. However the latest news that a Russian submarine carrying 20 intercontinental ballistic missiles and 200 nuclear warheads bound for the Syrian port of Latakia, due to arrive in 10 days and accompanied by 2 anti submarine warfare ships raises the danger level to boiling point. The ship in question is the largest submarine in the world, the Dimitri Donesky. Additionally, thousands of Russian troops have been seen in Syria and thousands more are on their way.

John Kerry warns that all this might very well lead to American troops who are supporting rebels militarily being in direct confrontation with Russian troops.

If that were not enough, Russia and Iran have been meeting to coordinate their support for Mr Assad and negotiating where to put their huge arsenal of weapons and how to use them! America has also removed it's patriot missile batteries from Turkey, eliminating any possibility of them being used to hit Russian fighters operating in Syrian airspace or even hit them accidentally.

Surely as you read Ezekiel 38 & 39 the battle described there in which Iran, Russia and Turkey among others are key players, the only conclusion is that the nations are lining up in fulfilment of scripture. This of course will lead to the destruction of Islam and depending on who else is ultimately involved the destruction of communism. China will be dealt with at a later stage. God has reserved to Himself the destruction of communism, founded by 3 apostate Jews, Marx, Lenin and Engels.

As far as we see Islam rampaging through the world at this moment it will not last, God will have the last word and is currently working out His purposes. We may speculate all we might but stick to scripture and we have what is true and dependable and ultimately we will see things clearly.

Currently we see *"through a glass darkly"*.

Ultimately a confrontation between Russia and America could bring about a limited nuclear war as Mr Putin has already indicated he could use nuclear weapons in support of ground forces.

Israel stands alert and watching and would without doubt defend itself if threatened.

IRAN The disastrous deal due to be signed if and when passed by the Senate & House of Representatives in America will make it easier for Iran to produce a nuclear bomb and for the deal to allow Iran to inspect it's own compliance with what it signs up to is beyond credibility. Maybe Israel will go it alone and take out Iran's missile and nuclear sites!

Our own Foreign Secretary claims the deal will allow Britain to talk to Iran about Syria! In a brilliant article in the Times Melanie Phillips says, *"No doubt the Iranian regime is rubbing it's hands at the prospect of once again outwitting the spineless British using them to boost its own power further"*. She went on to say that the flag hoisted in Tehran last week was not red, white and blue – it was white!!

Our Foreign Secretary described Iran as a normal country. Melanie Phillips points out, normal??? A regime that tortures and hangs dissidents! She said Mr Hammond said *"Iran's leaders genuinely want to rebuild ties with the West"*. As the Union Jack was raised, demonstrators outside the Embassy were chanting, *'death to America and death to Britain'*. Three members of the Iran regime all stated their policy that *'Israel should be annihilated'*! A normal regime??

AMERICA is to parole Jonathan Pollard in November after the vindictive 30 year sentence he has endured but banned him from going back to Israel for 5 years. Mr Obama has refused to pardon him. Anyone else would have been pardoned or paroled years ago. It speaks volumes of America's Muslim President that he shows no mercy.

EGYPT laser displays covering Cairo's buildings and streets heralds the opening of the 2nd lane of the Suez Canal completed in 12 months. 43,000 workers laboured 24 hours a day in 3 shifts living in floating hotels. The project has been described as a miracle that will raise Egypt's income from the canal to 8 billion by 2023. Read Isaiah 19, the end of the chapter. Maybe Egypt is currently beginning to be blessed by God as it undoubtedly will be even more in these last days.

President Sisi is supporting Israel in many ways and blessing Israel will bring God's blessing. Israel has benefited from President Sisi's war on the Muslim Brotherhood and it again says everything about Mr Obama that much of the Middle East's problems have come from his support for the Muslim Brotherhood. Mr Obama's motives are at best questionable or most certainly evil.

PARIS 500 police were stationed along the banks of the Seine amid fears that a celebration of Israeli food, culture and games and was called Tel Aviv sur Seine. There was an artificial beach. The mayor refused to cancel the event so protesters set up Gaza Plaza in opposition.

BENJAMIN NETANYAHU is visiting the UK this week and 100,000 people have signed a protest about his visit.

Opponents are campaigning for his arrest on suspicion of war crimes based on Israel's defensive actions in Gaza. This is impossible as he is a head of state and has diplomatic immunity, but undoubtedly there will be unpleasant scenes.

Some years ago anyone could be arrested and this writer was present at a dinner in Leeds when Shaul Mofaz, later Defence Minister, was ushered out in the middle of his dinner because a Muslim lawyer had obtained a court order for his arrest. He was flown out of the country before protesters got to know. There have been other incidents because of our laws which the government doesn't change! Anyone who fought in Gaza is liable to arrest if they come here. It is time it was changed Mr Cameron.

GAS Israel has got most of the legislation passed to extract the gas from under the sea and create a huge income for Israel. However, Egypt too has recently found gas under it's waters and as Egypt would have been a significant customer for Israel's gas, the project is under question.

AHAVA Those who have been to Israel with me have been to the Ahava factory on a settlement where body creams are made from Dead Sea salts.

They are currently having to consider moving to within Israel proper (inside the green line) because of loss of business through opposition. In London they had to move from Covent Garden to North London because of violent protests. News comes that the Chinese may purchase the factory and relocate it.

MARK REGEV until recently Mr Netanyahu's chief spokesman, is to be Israel's new Ambassador to the Court of King James. He has been many times on our TV screens standing up for Israel. He is very strong, balanced and can "*keep his cool*" and answer any questions and will be a tremendous Ambassador for Israel in the UK. The previous Ambassador of 3 years ago was sent to the UN where he has made a huge impact.

GAZA Israel's Major General Yoar Mard says Hamas are seizing imports for reconstruction using them to rebuild tunnels. He went on, "*If they continue like this Gaza will be uninhabitable by 2020*". Why have they not rebuilt Gaza with the vast supplies and money they have received for this purpose?

ANTISEMITISM continues to rise world wide and it depresses me to read the growing and awful instances recorded in the press. I was particularly horrified this week by one in Holland where a Dutch man was offering 10 000 Euros to anyone who would kill his Jewish neighbour! On his face book he wrote "*I have one desire in my life, to tear out this nest of devils.*" Facebook followers offered to "*help him find a solution to the problem.*"

MANCHESTER Jewish Mancunians ran a gauntlet of hate when confronted by neo-nazi thugs chanting "*Gas – gas – gas -sieg Heil.*" The far right were seeking to hold an event in the city centre. Organiser of a counter protest of Jews said "*the hatred and vitriol was extraordinary. I have never faced such vile ugly people.*" One man was dressed in a Ku Klux Klan outfit.

Pray for Israel and the Jewish people and their protection and above all their salvation. If you are near Saltburn by the Sea on September 26th join our "*Celebrating with Israel*" meeting at Saltburn evangelical Church, Leven Street, Saltburn at 2.00pm – 4.30pm.

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